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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 411

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to attorney clerkship programs."

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

8 * Section 1. AS 08.08.130(4) is amended to read:

9 (4) is a graduate of a law school approved by the American
10 Bar Association, or an attorney in good standing in the bar of another
11 state or territory, or has completed a clerkship program in the manner
12 required in sec. 136 of this chapter;

13 * Sec. 2. AS 08.08 is amended by adding a new section to read:

14 Sec. 08.08.136. STUDY OF LAW IN OFFICE OF PRACTICING ATTORNEY.

15 (a) A person who desires to study law in the office of a practicing
16 attorney in Alaska for the purpose of qualifying to take the bar
17 examination, shall, before the commencement of his studies, file with
18 the clerk of the superior court in the district in which he resides,
19 a certificate stating his age, residence, preparatory education, the
20 name and residence of the person under whose direction he proposes to
21 study law, the date of the commencement of his studies and his employ-
22 ment as a law clerk, together with a certificate of the person under
23 whom the studies are to be pursued substantiating the facts set out in
24 the certificate.

25 (b) A person studying law in the office of a practicing attorney
26 is entitled to take an examination for admission to the Alaska Bar if
27 he has devoted at least 36 weeks of not less than 24 hours each in the
28 performance of his duties and studies at the law office during each of
29 three consecutive years. The successful completion of a full year at

1 an accredited law school is considered the equivalent of one year of
2 study under this section. The supreme court may adopt rules setting
3 out the required content of study programs under this section.

4 (c) If the relationship of employer and employee should terminate
5 before the student has completed the prescribed work and study, the
6 student may notify the board and the board may approve similar employ-
7 ment with another law office for the continuance or completion of the
8 prescribed work and study.