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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND  
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 572

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to evasion of custody by minors."

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

8 \* Section 1. AS 47.10.010(a) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

9 (10) is a chronic evader of custody.

10 \* Sec. 2. AS 47.10.080 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

11 (k) If the court finds the minor is a child in need of supervision  
12 and has, without justification, violated an order of the court, or  
13 exhibited chronic runaway behavior that cannot be adequately dealt with  
14 under (j) of this section, it may continue the previous commitment of  
15 the minor to the department and may by order authorize the minor's  
16 placement in an appropriate facility, as determined by the department,  
17 which may include a group home, foster home, or detention facility. The  
18 minor may be released from placement or detention and placed on probation  
19 by the department on order of the court. The department may request a  
20 court hearing at any time if it decides that no further detention is  
21 necessary.

22 \* Sec. 3. AS 47.10 is amended by adding a new section to read:

23 Sec. 47.10.144. CHRONIC EVADER OF CUSTODY. (a) A minor who has  
24 been committed to the Department of Health and Social Services for  
25 temporary placement under sec. 142 of this chapter who, without reason-  
26 able cause, leaves the foster home, detention home, private institution  
27 or agency in which he has been placed, may, in the determination of the  
28 Department of Health and Social Services, be considered a chronic evader  
29 of custody.

1 (b) After a certification to the court by the Department of Health  
2 and Social Services that the minor is a chronic evader of custody, the  
3 court shall find and enter a judgment that the minor is delinquent and  
4 order the minor committed to an institution for a period of time not to  
5 extend past the day the minor becomes 19 years of age. The Department  
6 of Health and Social Services may petition the court at any time for  
7 release of the chronic evader of custody if in its determination release  
8 is in the best interests of the minor. A minor released from custody  
9 under this section may be returned to the person having legal custody of  
10 him or placed in another type of facility, as determined to be most  
11 appropriate by the Department of Health and Social Services.

12 \* Sec. 4. AS 47.10.290(2) is amended to read:

13 (2) "delinquent minor" is a minor whom the court determines  
14 is within the provisions of sec. 10(a)(1) and 10(a)(10) of this chapter;  
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