

1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE BILL NO. 11

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act extending workmen's compensation benefits to
7 firemen in certain situations where they would not
8 otherwise be covered."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 23.30 is amended by adding a new section to read:

11 Sec. 23.30.243. EXTENDING COVERAGE TO CERTAIN FIREMEN: (a)

12 Any injury, disability or death incurred by a fireman by reason of
13 his proceeding to or engaging in a fire suppression or rescue
14 operation, or the protection or preservation of life or property,
15 anywhere in the state shall be considered to have arisen out of and
16 been sustained in the course of employment for purposes of workmen's
17 compensation and all other benefits under this chapter.

18 (b) Nothing in this section requires the extension of benefits
19 to

20 (1) a fireman who at the time of his injury, death or
21 disability is acting for compensation from one other than the home
22 rule or general law municipality of his primary employment or
23 registration;

24 (2) a fireman employed by a home rule or general law
25 municipality which by law or regulation expressly prohibits the
26 activity giving rise to the injury, disability or death.

27 (c) In this section, "fireman" means a member of a fire department
28 of a home rule or general law municipality, whether he is a volunteer,
29 partly paid or fully paid, except a person whose principal duties

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are clerical. These firemen shall be regularly employed or, in the case of a volunteer, registered as such.