

Original sponsor: Thomas and Croft

Offered: 4/23/74
Referred: Judiciary

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 35

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 treatment of alcoholism and drug
7 addiction under group health and disability insurance
8 plans."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 21.54 is amended by adding a new section to read:

11 Sec. 21.54.035. PROVISION FOR TREATMENT OF ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG
12 ADDICTION. A group or blanket disability insurance policy issued under
13 the authority of this chapter that provides benefits for hospital
14 expenses due to an illness or injury may include treatment of alcoholism
15 or drug addiction as an illness if the treatment is rendered in a
16 licensed hospital or other licensed treatment facility which provides
17 for inpatient treatment of alcoholism or drug addiction. "A licensed
18 hospital or other licensed treatment facility" means a comprehensive,
19 intensive treatment care facility for alcoholics or drug addicts,
20 licensed by the state or, in the case of facilities outside the state,
21 a facility that meets the standards established for state licensing,
22 where treatment requires continuous inpatient care with specific thera-
23 peutic functions as may be established by regulations adopted by the
24 Department of Health and Social Services.

25 * Sec. 2. AS 21.87.340 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

26 (15) AS 21.54.035
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