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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 190

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST 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) A group or blanket disability insurance policy issued
13 under the authority of this chapter that provides benefits for hospital
14 expenses due to an illness or injury shall 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.

18 (b) "A licensed hospital or other licensed treatment facility"
19 means a comprehensive, intensive care facility for alcoholics or drug
20 addicts, licensed by the state or, in the case of facilities outside
21 the state, a facility that meets the standards established for state
22 licensing, where treatment includes continuous inpatient care with
23 specific therapeutic functions as may be established by regulations
24 adopted by the 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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