

1 IN THE SENATE

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SENATE BILL NO. 26 am H

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 the use of studded tires and
7 chains on motor vehicles."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 28.35 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 Sec. 28.35.135. OPERATION OF VEHICLE WITH CERTAIN TIRES PROHIBITED.

11 (a) It is lawful to operate a motor vehicle with studded tires or tires
12 with chains attached on a paved highway or road only in a month and in
13 a judicial district in which, during the past 10 years, the minimum
14 temperature in any day of that month for that district, according to the
15 official records of the National Weather Service, has registered below
16 32 degrees Fahrenheit or in which measurable precipitation in the form
17 of ice or snow has occurred. However, this section does not prevent
18 the commissioner of highways from prohibiting by regulation the use of
19 studded tires or tires with chains attached on any paved surface
20 within his jurisdiction in any district during any other time of the
21 year. A special individual permit may be issued or public authorization
22 made allowing the operation of a motor vehicle with studded tires or
23 chains at any time at the discretion of the commissioner of highways
24 when unusual climatic conditions presenting a safety hazard arise.

25 (b) In this section "studded tire" means a tire with metal studs
26 or spikes imbedded in the periphery of the tire surface, and protruding
27 not more than one-fourth inch from the tire surface.
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