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Referred: Health, Education  
and Social Services

1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE BILL NO. 507 *am*

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing risk management in hospitals; and  
7 providing for an effective date."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 18.20 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 Sec. 18.20.075. RISK MANAGEMENT. (a) To be eligible for a license  
11 each hospital shall have in operation an internal risk management program  
12 which shall

13 (1) investigate the frequency and causes of adverse incidents  
14 in hospitals which cause injury to patients;

15 (2) develop and implement measures to minimize the risk of  
16 injury to patients from adverse incidents; and

17 (3) analyze patient grievances which relate to patient care.

18 (b) The department shall adopt by regulation standards for risk  
19 management programs in hospitals in the state which may vary according  
20 to the size of the hospital, the type of care offered by the hospital,  
21 and other factors found relevant by the department.

22 \* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect July 1, 1976.  
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