

1 IN THE SENATE BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 672

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to small claims and magistrate juris-
7 diction."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 22.15.040 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 22.15.040. SMALL CLAIMS. When a claim for relief does not
11 exceed \$2,000 [\$1,000] exclusive of costs, interest and attorney fees,
12 and request is so made, the district judge or magistrate shall hear the
13 action as a small claim unless important or unusual points of law are
14 involved. The supreme court shall prescribe the procedural rules and
15 standard forms to assure simplicity and the expeditious handling of
16 small claims.

17 * Sec. 2. AS 22.15.120(1) is amended to read:

18 (1) for the recovery of money or damages only when the
19 amount claimed, exclusive of costs, interest, and attorney fees, does
20 not exceed \$2,000 [\$1,000];

21 * Sec. 3. AS 22.15.120(2) is amended to read:

22 (2) for the recovery of specific personal property when the
23 value of the property claimed and the damages for the detention do not
24 exceed \$2,000 [\$1,000];