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Referred: Judiciary

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY PARR AND DANKWORTH

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 174

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the right of persons to bring
7 criminal accusations to the attention of the grand
8 jury; and changing Rule 6, Rules of Criminal Procedure."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 12.40 is amended by adding a new section to read:

11 Sec. 12.40.045. ACCESS TO GRAND JURY. (a) If a person knows or
12 has reason to believe that a crime has been committed which is triable
13 by the court, he may present a request to the foreman of the grand jury
14 that a meeting of all grand jurors be called to hear his evidence. The
15 grand jury shall investigate the evidence presented and the prosecuting
16 attorney shall be in attendance to review the evidence and advise the
17 grand jury on all matters necessary to properly investigate any crime
18 disclosed.

19 (b) A person who wilfully interferes with a person's right of
20 access to the grand jury under this section is guilty of a misdemeanor
21 and, upon conviction, is punishable by a fine of not more than \$500, or
22 by imprisonment for not more than six months, or by both.

23 * Sec. 2. Section 1 of this Act has the effect of changing Rule 6, Rules
24 of Criminal Procedure, by providing for presentation of evidence to the grand
25 jury by persons other than the prosecuting attorney or another grand juror.

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