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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 695

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to eligibility of surviving spouses to
7 claim service credit based on deceased husband's mili-
8 tary and other service."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 39.35.340 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

11 (g) A surviving spouse receiving or entitled to receive a surviving
12 spouse's pension under sec. 440 of this chapter or benefits under a joint
13 and survivor option filed under sec. 450 of this chapter is eligible to
14 receive increased benefits based upon military service as described in
15 (a) of this section. To receive credited service for military service,
16 the surviving spouse must verify the employee's military service within
17 one year of the effective date of this Act. When verified, the surviving
18 spouse is entitled to receive an increased benefit which shall be
19 actuarially adjusted to reflect his or her indebtedness for that credit.
20 The indebtedness shall be calculated in the same manner as described in
21 (b) of this section except that it shall be based on the average monthly
22 compensation used in calculating the benefit. Benefits payable under
23 this subsection are payable retroactively to July 1, 1977.

24 * Sec. 2. AS 39.35.360 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

25 (f) A surviving spouse receiving or entitled to receive a surviving
26 spouse's pension under sec. 440 of this chapter or benefits under a joint
27 and survivor option filed under sec. 450 of this chapter is eligible for
28 increased benefits for any service credit authorized under (a) of this
29 section, but not claimed or authorized by law before the employee's death.