

Introduced: 2/19/79
Referred: Labor and
Management

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MOSS AND METCALFE
BY REQUEST

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 246

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to worker's compensation; and provid-
7 ing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 23.30.265(13) is amended to read:

10 (13) "injury" means accidental injury or death arising out of
11 and in the course of employment, and an occupational disease or infec-
12 tion [WHICH ARISES NATURALLY OUT OF THE EMPLOYMENT OR WHICH NATURALLY OR
13 UNAVOIDABLY RESULTS FROM AN ACCIDENTAL INJURY], and includes breakage or
14 damage to eyeglasses, hearing aids, dentures, or any prosthetic devices
15 which function as part of the body and further includes an injury caused
16 by the wilful act of a third person directed against an employee because
17 of his employment;

18 * Sec. 2. AS 23.30.265 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

19 (26) "occupational disease or infection" means a disease or
20 infection which arises out of the employment or which naturally or
21 unavoidably results from an injury, but does not include an ordinary
22 disease of life to which the general public is exposed outside of the
23 employment unless

24 (A) there is a direct causal connection between the
25 conditions of employment and the disease; and

26 (B) the disease is not the result of a hazard to which
27 an employee has been equally exposed outside his employment.

28 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-
29 070(c).