

IN THE SENATE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 52

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2 Under the authority of art. III, sec. 23, of the Alaska Constitution,
3 and in accordance with AS 24.30.130(b), I order the following:

4 * Section 1. FINDINGS. As governor, I find that it would be in the best
5 interests of efficient administration to merge the statutory responsibilities
6 of the Wage and Hour Division and the Division of Occupational Safety and
7 Health within the Department of Labor.

8 * Sec. 2. AS 18.60.055 is amended to read:

9 Sec. 18.60.055. DIVISION OF LABOR STANDARDS AND SAFETY [OCCUPA-
10 TIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH]. As established by AS 23.10.075, there
11 [THERE] is [ESTABLISHED] in the department a division of labor stan-
12 ards and safety [OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH TO BE ADMINISTERED BY A
13 DIRECTOR RESPONSIBLE TO THE COMMISSIONER]. Minimum qualifications must
14 [SHALL] be established for employees of the department acting as safety
15 inspectors under AS 18.60.010 -- 18.60.105. These qualifications must
16 [SHALL] include, as a minimum requirement, at least five years general
17 work experience in the field they are assigned to inspect. Training in
18 safety principles, codes and standards may be substituted for such work
19 experience up to a maximum of three years.

20 * Sec. 3. AS 18.60.058 is amended to read:

21 Sec. 18.60.058. REPORTING OF INJURIES AND ILLNESSES. [(a)] In
22 the event of an employment accident which is fatal to one or more employ-
23 ees or which results in the overnight hospitalization of one or more
24 employees, the [THEIR] employer shall report the accident by telephone,
25 telegram, radio, or in person to the nearest office of the division of
26 labor standards and safety [OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH]. The report
27 must relate the circumstances of the accident, the number of fatalities,
28 and the extent of any injuries. The report must be made immediately but
29 in no event later than 24 hours after receipt by the employer of infor-

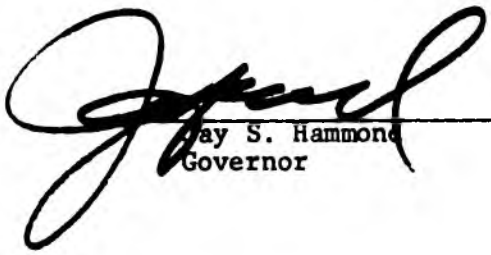
1 mation that the accident has occurred. In the event of an employment
2 accident which is fatal to one or more employees or which results in the
3 overnight hospitalization of two or more employees, no equipment, mater-
4 ial, or product related to the injury or fatality may be moved or al-
5 tered until clearance is given by the department, except when compliance
6 with this requirement would interfere for an unreasonable length of time
7 with work or create additional hazards. If equipment, material, or pro-
8 ducts must be moved or altered before department clearance, the employer
9 shall submit a detailed investigative report of the accident to the
10 division.

11 * Sec. 4. AS 23.10.075 is repealed and reenacted to read:

12 Sec. 23.10.075. LABOR STANDARDS AND SAFETY DIVISION. There is
13 established in the department the division of labor standards and safe-
14 ty. The director of the division is responsible to the commissioner.
15 The director shall administer AS 18.06.010 -- 18.60.150 and AS 23.10.050
16 -- 23.10.150.

17 * Sec. 5. This Order takes effect March 12, 1982.

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20 DATED: January 11, 1982



Jay S. Hammond
Governor