

Original sponsor: Judiciary Committee

Offered: 3/26/81  
Referred: Rules

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 253 (Judiciary)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to jury service, and providing for an  
7 effective date."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 09.20.030 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 09.20.030. EXEMPTIONS. A person may claim exemption and may  
11 be excused from service as a juror if it is shown that [JURY SERVICE  
12 WILL CAUSE HIM TO SUFFER MATERIAL INJURY OR DESTRUCTION TO HIS PROPERTY  
13 OR TO THE PROPERTY ENTRUSTED TO HIM, OR IF] his health, the health or  
14 proper care of his family, a permanent physical or mental disability,  
15 or other substantial hardship expected to last more than two years, [OR  
16 THE SICKNESS OR DEATH OF A MEMBER OF HIS FAMILY] makes it necessary for  
17 him to be excused [, OR IF HE IS

18 (1) A JUDICIAL OFFICER;

19 (2) ANY OTHER CIVIL OFFICER OF THE STATE OR UNITED STATES  
20 WHOSE DUTIES ARE AT THE TIME INCONSISTENT WITH HIS ATTENDANCE OR SERVICE  
21 AS A JUROR;

22 (3) AN ATTORNEY;

23 (4) A MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL OR PRIEST OF ANY DENOMINATION;

24 (5) A TEACHER IN A UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE, ACADEMY, OR SCHOOL;

25 (6) A PRACTICING PHYSICIAN;

26 (7) A PRACTICING DENTIST].

27 \* Sec. 2. AS 09.20 is amended by adding a new section to read:

28 Sec. 09.20.035. DEFERRAL OF JURY SERVICE. A person may have his  
29 jury service deferred if he shows that jury service at the time for



1 which he is summoned will cause hardship to himself or others, or that  
2 transportation problems make it temporarily impossible for him to  
3 serve. Jury service may be deferred under this section only if the  
4 person seeking the deferment agrees to a deferred date. Jury service  
5 may not be deferred for more than 10 months from the date the initial  
6 jury service was to begin.

7 \* Sec. 3. This Act takes effect January 1, 1982.  
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