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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 330 (Finance)

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 payment of the costs of services  
7 for pregnant women; and providing for an effective  
8 date."

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

10 \* Section 1. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND PURPOSE. The legislature finds  
11 that there are insufficient maternal and infant care services available to  
12 women experiencing social and economic difficulties associated with child-  
13 bearing. As a result of these inadequate services, some children may develop  
14 health conditions that require state-supported services throughout their  
15 lives. In order to promote healthier generations of Alaskans, the legisla-  
16 ture wishes to invest in the state's future by providing prenatal care and  
17 social services to pregnant women.

18 \* Sec. 2. AS 47.07.020(b) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:  
19 (8) pregnant women if the pregnancy is medically confirmed.

20 \* Sec. 3. AS 47 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

21 CHAPTER 42. PURCHASE OF SERVICES FOR PREGNANT WOMEN.

22 Sec. 47.42.010. PURCHASE OF SERVICES FOR PREGNANT WOMEN. The  
23 Department of Health and Social Services shall pay the cost of prenatal  
24 services other than medical services for a pregnant woman experiencing  
25 social and economic difficulties, including the costs of transportation  
26 to and from a maternity home or a foster home, counseling, adoption  
27 assistance, maternity home and foster home care, postnatal care, and  
28 parenting skills.

29 Sec. 47.42.020. LICENSING AND SUPERVISION. (a) A person provid-

1 ing services purchased by the Department of Health and Social Services  
2 under this chapter shall be licensed and supervised in the same manner  
3 as foster homes, boarding homes, maternity homes, and other agencies  
4 and institutions under AS 47.35.010 - 47.35.100.

5 (b) Nothing in this section requires the licensing of transporta-  
6 tion services provided to a pregnant woman under this chapter.

7 \* Sec. 4. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-  
8 070(c).

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