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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 500

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act limiting the use of state money to pay for
7 abortions; and providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 47.07 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 Sec. 47.07.035. LIMITATION ON PAYMENT FOR ABORTIONS. Notwith-
11 standing AS 47.07.030, state money or money controlled or disbursed by
12 a department of the state may not be used to pay for an abortion unless
13 the physician performing the abortion certifies in writing that the
14 abortion was necessary to save the life of the woman undergoing the
15 abortion and that in the physician's professional judgment reasonable
16 efforts, consistent with saving the life of the woman undergoing the
17 abortion, were made to save the life of the unborn child.

18 * Sec. 2. AS 47.07.080 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

19 (5) "abortion" means an operation or procedure to terminate
20 the pregnancy of a nonviable fetus.

21 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.-
22 10.070(c).

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