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Referred: Labor & Commerce and
Judiciary

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE LABOR AND COMMERCE
COMMITTEE BY REQUEST

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 600

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 the civil liability of architects
7 and engineers."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 09.65 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 Sec. 09.65.140. LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION OF ARCHITECTS AND
11 ENGINEERS. (a) Subject to the limits in (b) of this section, an
12 architect or engineer who contracts with the state to prepare plans or
13 specifications for a public construction project shall indemnify and
14 hold harmless the state, its officers and employees against and from
15 liability caused solely by the negligence of the architect or engineer
16 in the preparation of the plans or specifications.

17 (b) The liability of an architect or engineer as a result of
18 negligence in the preparation of plans or specifications for a public
19 construction project may not exceed \$50,000 or 25 percent of the total
20 fee for the preparation of the plans or specifications, whichever is
21 greater.

22 (c) In this section "public construction" means the on-site field
23 surveying, erection, rehabilitation, alteration, extension or repair,
24 including painting or redecorating of buildings, highways or other
25 improvements to real property under contract for the state, a political
26 subdivision of the state, or with a regional educational attendance
27 area school board with respect to an educational facility under AS 14.
28 08.161.