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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY GARDINER

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 834

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing the housing assistance payment  
7 program; and providing for an effective date."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 18 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

10 CHAPTER 53. HOUSING ASSISTANCE PAYMENT PROGRAM.

11 Sec. 18.53.010. HOUSING ASSISTANCE PAYMENT PROGRAM ESTABLISHED.

12 The housing assistance payment program is established in the Department  
13 of Revenue, for the purpose of making payments to eligible persons that  
14 will reduce the cost of housing for those persons.

15 Sec. 18.53.020. DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT. The department shall

16 (1) determine eligibility for housing assistance payments  
17 under this chapter;

18 (2) make equal per capita housing assistance payments to  
19 eligible persons;

20 (3) adopt procedures to insure that all persons eligible to  
21 receive housing assistance payments are given the opportunity to do so;  
22 and

23 (4) adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this  
24 chapter.

25 Sec. 18.53.030. ELIGIBILITY FOR HOUSING ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS. A  
26 person is eligible to receive housing assistance payments if that person  
27 is a resident of the state.

28 Sec. 18.53.035. PAYMENTS FOR MINORS. A parent may claim housing  
29 assistance payments for a minor child in the custody of that parent and

1 a guardian may claim housing assistance payments for an incompetent  
2 person in the care of the guardian. Married persons may make a joint  
3 application for themselves and their minor children.

4 Sec. 18.53.040. CONDITIONS OF PAYMENTS. (a) A person who is  
5 eligible for housing assistance payments under this chapter may choose  
6 to receive housing assistance payments on an annual or monthly basis.

7 (b) The amount of housing assistance payments received by an  
8 individual in a calendar year is determined by dividing the amount of  
9 money available for the housing assistance payment program in that  
10 calendar year by the number of persons eligible to receive housing  
11 assistance payments in that calendar year.

12 (c) The department may adopt procedures to insure that housing  
13 assistance payments are used to pay for housing expenses.

14 Sec. 18.53.900. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter

15 (1) "department" means the Department of Revenue;

16 (2) "resident" means a person who is physically present in  
17 the state with the intent to remain permanently in the state, or if that  
18 person is not physically present in the state, intends to return to the  
19 state and is absent due to

20 (A) vocational, professional, or other special education  
21 for which a comparable program is not reasonably available in the  
22 state;

23 (B) postsecondary education;

24 (C) military service;

25 (D) service in Congress; or

26 (E) other reasons that the department may establish by  
27 regulation under the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62).

28 \* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10,

29 010(c).