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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 412

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to adoption medical records; and
7 providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 18.50 is amended by adding new sections to read:

10 ARTICLE 6. ADOPTION INFORMATION.

11 Sec. 18.50.500. ACCESS TO ADOPTION INFORMATION. If the
12 information is available, the state registrar shall provide the
13 adoptive parents of a person adopted after January 1, 1984, and an
14 adopted person who has been adopted after January 1, 1984, with
15 nonidentifying information on the health history of each biological
16 parent, adopted person, and blood relatives of each biological parent.
17 The information shall be on a standardized form prepared by the com-
18 missioner.

19 Sec. 18.50.510. MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS. (a) The commissioner,
20 a child adoption agency, or a person authorized by law or regulation
21 to place a person for adoption shall furnish the state registrar the
22 information concerning biological parents required under AS 18.50.500
23 for all adoptions that occur after January 1, 1984. If the informa-
24 tion concerning biological parents and, adopted person and blood
25 relatives of each biological parent required under AS 18.50.500 is
26 requested but is not available for adoptions that occurred before
27 January 1, 1984, the state registrar shall request the commissioner to
28 attempt to obtain the required information from the child adoption
29 agency, records of the commissioner, or court adoption records, or a

1 person authorized by law or regulation to place a person for adoption.

2 (b) A child adoption agency licensed under AS 47.35.100 and a
3 person authorized by law or regulation to place a person for adoption
4 shall maintain records required under this chapter or by the regula-
5 tions of the commissioner. If a child adoption agency or a person
6 authorized by law or regulation to place a person for adoption ceases
7 to place persons for adoption, it shall transfer its records to the
8 commissioner.

9 Sec. 18.50.520. DEFINITIONS. In AS 18.50.500 - 18.50.520

10 (1) "adoptive parent" means a parent who adopted a person
11 under AS 25.23;

12 (2) "biological parent" means a birth parent who is named
13 on the original certificate of birth of an adopted person;

14 (3) "child adoption agency" means a child adoption agency
15 licensed under AS 47.35.100;

16 (4) "commissioner" means the commissioner of health and
17 social services;

18 (5) "state registrar" means the state registrar appointed
19 under AS 18.50.030.

20 * Sec. 2. AS 25.23 is amended by adding a new section to read:

21 Sec. 25.23.185. RECORDS AND INFORMATION. (a) The clerk of the
22 superior court, the department, or the person placing a child for
23 adoption shall obtain from each known biological parent of the adopted
24 person for the state registrar the information described in AS 18.50.-
25 500 on a form prepared by the department.

26 (b) The information provided by a biological parent under (a) of
27 this section shall be filed with the state registrar.

28 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect January 1, 1984.