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1 IN THE SENATE BY KERTTULA, V. FISCHER AND JOSEPHSON

2 SENATE BILL NO. 72

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 free emergency medical examina-  
7 tions of victims of sexual offenses."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 18.67 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 Sec. 18.67.122. FREE EMERGENCY EXAMINATION FOR VICTIM OF SEXUAL  
11 OFFENSE. (a) A victim of sexual assault in any degree or of sexual  
12 abuse of a minor or the parent or guardian of the victim may request  
13 and the victim shall be given a free emergency medical examination at  
14 a public or private hospital or other emergency medical facility in  
15 the state for the purpose of gathering evidence to assist in the  
16 possible prosecution of the offender.

17 (b) A public or private hospital or other emergency medical  
18 facility may apply to the board for reimbursement of reasonable costs  
19 incurred in providing emergency medical treatment under this section.

20 (c) A victim or a parent or guardian of a victim who has paid  
21 for an emergency examination without seeking compensation under this  
22 section because of reluctance to file charges may apply to the board  
23 for compensation under this chapter if the victim agrees to aid in the  
24 prosecution of the offender.