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1 IN THE SENATE

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SENATE BILL NO. 406

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to discriminatory harassment."

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

8 * Section 1. AS 09.55 is amended by adding a new section to read:

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ARTICLE 8. DISCRIMINATORY HARASSMENT.

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Sec. 09.55.650. DISCRIMINATORY HARASSMENT ACTION. (a) A person

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may maintain an action for discriminatory harassment against another

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person, or against the parent or legal guardian of a minor, who has

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caused physical injury to the person or damage to the property of the

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person with the intent to intimidate or harass the person because of

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the person's race, color, religion, ancestry, or national origin.

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(b) The court may award punitive damages in an amount not more

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than \$10,000 to a prevailing plaintiff in an action brought under this

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section.

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* Sec. 2. AS 11.41 is amended by adding new sections to read:

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Sec. 11.41.260. DISCRIMINATORY HARASSMENT IN THE FIRST DEGREE.

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(a) A person commits the crime of discriminatory harassment in the

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first degree if, with the intent to intimidate or harass another

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person because of the other person's race, color, religion, ancestry,

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or national origin, the person

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(1) causes serious physical injury to the other person; or

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(2) by words or conduct places the other person in fear of

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imminent serious physical injury.

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(b) Discriminatory harassment in the first degree is a class C

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felony.

1 Sec. 11.41.270. DISCRIMINATORY HARASSMENT IN THE SECOND DEGREE.

2 (a) A person commits the crime of discriminatory harassment in the
3 second degree if, with the intent to intimidate or harass another
4 person because of the other person's race, color, religion, ancestry,
5 or national origin, the person

6 (1) causes physical injury to the other person; or

7 (2) by words or conduct places the other person in fear of
8 imminent physical injury.

9 (b) Discriminatory harassment in the second degree is a class A
10 misdemeanor.