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1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 99 (Finance)
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION
5 A BILL
6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to public assistance employment
7 programs."
8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:
9 * Section 1. AS 47.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:
10 Sec. 47.05.070. AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS. (a)
11 The department may establish programs that provide applicants for
12 public assistance and public assistance recipients with social ser-
13 vices, including child care and transportation, needed to participate in
14 an employment program and with incentives and training needed to
15 obtain employment, or with actual work experience.
16 (b) The department may require participation in an employment
17 program as a condition of eligibility for public assistance. Employ-
18 ment program activities may include job clubs, on-the-job training,
19 or work experience. The department may develop programs to assist an
20 applicant or recipient in the transition from public assistance to
21 unsubsidized employment. When appropriate, the department shall refer
22 a program participant for training and employment services in accor-
23 dance with 29 U.S.C. 1603(b)(3).
24 (c) The department may provide an applicant or recipient with
25 money or other resources it finds necessary to enable the applicant or
26 recipient to participate in a program. The total value of money or
27 other resources and aid payments may exceed maximum payment levels
28 established under this title.
29 (d) The department may not require an applicant or recipient to

1 participate in a program under this section as a condition of eligi-
2 bility for public assistance if the applicant or recipient is

3 (1) under 16 years of age or 65 years of age or older;

4 (2) a full-time student under 18 years of age;

5 (3) ill or incapacitated, if medical evidence or other
6 sound basis confirms that the illness or incapacity prevents entry
7 into employment or training;

8 (4) residing in a remote area that requires more than two
9 hours traveling time to complete a round trip between home and program
10 area or work or training site by reasonably available transport;

11 (5) with only brief and infrequent absence, the primary
12 caretaker of a child or children under six years of age residing in
13 the same household or of a household member who has a verified phys-
14 ical or mental impairment that requires the presence of the primary
15 caretaker in the home on a substantially continuous basis;

16 (6) the primary caretaker of a child in the household if
17 another adult in the same household is registered and participating in
18 the program;

19 (7) employed and working at least 30 hours a week at a job
20 expected to last at least 30 days.

21 (e) The job training coordinating council established under 29
22 U.S.C. 1532 shall coordinate and review programs conducted under this
23 section.