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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

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CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 219 (Finance)

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing a special unit for the investi-
7 gation of repeated child sexual abuse and the crimi-
8 nal exploitation of children; and providing for an
9 effective date."

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

11 * Section 1. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS. The legislature finds that there
12 exists an increasing escalation of crime committed by and against children
13 and that delinquent acts are frequently the result of criminal and sexual
14 exploitation of children. There exists a need to establish a cooperative
15 local, state, and federal effort to combat extra-familial child sexual
16 abuse, runaway or missing children, child pornography, prostitution, drug
17 sales and use, and the involvement of children in organized burglary and
18 larceny offenses.

19 * Sec. 2. AS 18.65 is amended by adding a new section to read:

20 Sec. 18.65.086. INVESTIGATIVE UNIT ON SEXUALLY ABUSED AND CRIM-
21 INALLY EXPLOITED CHILDREN. (a) There is established in the Depart-
22 ment of Public Safety, division of state troopers, a special unit for
23 the purpose of investigating cases of repeated child sexual abuse and
24 the criminal exploitation of children.

25 (b) The commissioner of public safety shall submit to the legis-
26 lature, within 30 days from the date the legislature convenes in
27 odd-numbered years, a report concerning the activities of the special
28 unit on repeated child sexual abuse and the criminal exploitation of
29 children. The report shall include, but is not limited to, the number

1 of arrests made in cases of repeated child sexual abuse and the crimi-
2 nal exploitation of children, the number of investigations that result
3 in the Department of Health and Social Services taking temporary or
4 permanent custody of the child, the sentences received by persons
5 convicted in the state of child sexual abuse or criminal exploitation
6 of a child, and an overall view of the problems of child sexual abuse
7 and the criminal exploitation of children in the state.

8 (c) In this section

9 (1) "child" means a person under 18 years of age at the
10 time the alleged offense was committed by or against the person;

11 (2) "criminal exploitation of children" means the use of a
12 child by an adult in a criminal manner for the personal gratification
13 or profit of the adult.

14 (3) "repeated child sexual abuse" means conduct that is a
15 criminal sexual offense against a child under AS 11 and that is com-
16 mitted against the child more than once;

17 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect July 1, 1986.