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1 IN THE SENATE BY JOSEPHSON

2 SENATE BILL NO. 24

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to physical agents."

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

8 \* Section 1. AS 18.60.030 is amended to read:

9 Sec. 18.60.030. DUTIES OF DEPARTMENT OF LABOR. The Department  
10 of Labor shall

11 (1) study ways and means for prevention of accidents to  
12 persons on the streets and highways, in and on the water, in aircraft  
13 usage, in homes, on the farms, at schools, industrial and commercial  
14 plants, and in public places;

15 (2) plan and execute safety programs, including educational  
16 campaigns, designed to reduce accidents in every field of activity;

17 (3) work in cooperation with official and unofficial orga-  
18 nizations and instrumentalities in the state that are interested in  
19 the promotion of safety so that possible resources can be marshalled  
20 and utilized to reduce the menace of accidental death and injury;

21 (4) work toward obtaining better observance and enforcement  
22 of laws governing street and highway traffic, and assist in bringing  
23 about, wherever feasible, the application of modern engineering mea-  
24 sures for the prevention of traffic accidents;

25 (5) confer [ADVISE] with the public agencies responsible  
26 for safeguarding the people against accidents, and especially with the  
27 Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, the Department of  
28 Public Safety, the Department of Education, Department of Natural  
29 Resources, Department of Health and Social Services, and the heads or

1 representatives of federal departments and agencies operating in the  
2 state particularly concerned with safety programs and accident preven-  
3 tion;

4 (6) establish and enforce occupational safety and health  
5 standards that prescribe requirements for safe and healthful working  
6 conditions for all employment, including state and local government  
7 employment, and the requirements are to be at least as effective as  
8 those requirements adopted by the United States Secretary of Labor  
9 under sec. 6 of Public Law 91-596;

10 (7) require an employer to maintain records and submit  
11 reports to the department which records and reports are necessary or  
12 appropriate for the enforcement of AS 18.60.010 - 18.60.105 and to  
13 maintain records and submit reports to the United States Secretary of  
14 Labor in the same manner and to the same extent as set out in federal  
15 law and regulations;

16 (8) require an employer to maintain records and submit  
17 reports appropriate for use in developing information regarding the  
18 causes and prevention of occupational accidents and illnesses;

19 (9) require an employer to make periodic inspections when  
20 necessary to carry out the record and reporting requirements of (7)  
21 and (8) of this section;

22 (10) participate in occupational safety and health programs  
23 if it finds they are necessary to meet the occupational health and  
24 safety needs of the state;

25 (11) execute on behalf of the state agreements or contracts  
26 necessary or desirable to enable the state to participate in occupa-  
27 tional safety and health programs, and to receive and expend funds  
28 made available for programs of the state;

29 (12) annually publish a list of toxic and hazardous substanc