

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

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SENATE BILL NO. 246

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to employment protection for  
7 jurors."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 09.20 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 Sec. 09.20.015. DISCHARGE OF EMPLOYEE ON JURY DUTY. (a) An  
11 employer may not deprive an employee of employment or threaten, co-  
12 erce, or penalize an employee because the employee receives or re-  
13 sponds to a summons, serves as a juror, or attends court for prospec-  
14 tive jury service.

15 (b) If an employer discharges an employee in violation of this  
16 section, the employee may bring a civil action to recover wages lost  
17 as a result of the violation and for an order requiring the reinstatement  
18 of the employee. If the employee prevails, the employee shall be  
19 allowed reasonable attorney's fees and costs.