

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE LABOR AND  
COMMERCE COMMITTEE

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HOUSE BILL NO. 337

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to malpractice insurance for health  
7 care providers."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 21.42 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 Sec. 21.42.375. REQUIRED PROVISION FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDER  
11 LIABILITY INSURANCE. (a) A malpractice insurance policy issued in  
12 this state to a health care provider must include coverage for any  
13 hospital at which the health care provider practices, as an insured  
14 under the policy.

15 (b) In this section, "health care provider" means an audiologist  
16 licensed under AS 08.11; a chiropractor licensed under AS 08.20; a  
17 dental hygienist licensed under AS 08.32; a dentist licensed under  
18 AS 08.36; a nurse licensed under AS 08.68; a dispensing optician  
19 licensed under AS 08.71; an optometrist licensed under AS 08.72; a  
20 pharmacist licensed under AS 08.80; a physical therapist or occupa-  
21 tional therapist licensed under AS 08.84; a physician licensed under  
22 AS 08.64; a podiatrist; a psychologist, or a psychological associate  
23 licensed under AS 08.86.