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1 IN THE SENATE

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SENATE BILL NO. 13

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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 reimbursement for certain Medi-
7 care premium charges for persons receiving benefits
8 from the teachers' retirement system and the public
9 employees' retirement system."

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

11 * Section 1. AS 14.25.168(b) is amended to read:

12 (b) Except as provided in (c) of this section, major medical
13 insurance coverage takes effect on the same date as retirement bene-
14 fits begin and stops when the retired person or survivor is no longer
15 eligible to receive a monthly benefit. The coverage for persons over
16 age 65 is the same as that available for persons under age 65. The
17 benefits payable to those persons age 65 or older supplement any
18 benefits provided under the federal old age, survivors and disability
19 insurance program. A person who is at least 65 years old and who is
20 receiving a monthly benefit under the system shall be reimbursed
21 annually for the premium charges the person has paid for Part B of the
22 federal Medicare program covering the person.

23 * Sec. 2. AS 39.35.535(b) is amended to read:

24 (b) Except as provided in (d) of this section, after an election
25 of coverage under this section, major medical insurance coverage takes
26 effect on the same date that benefits begin, and stops when the member
27 or survivor is no longer eligible to receive a monthly benefit. The
28 coverage for persons age 65 or older is the same coverage available
29 for a person under 65. The benefits payable to persons age 65 or

1 older supplement any benefits provided under the federal old age,
2 survivors and disability insurance program. A person who is at least
3 65 years old and who has elected to receive major medical coverage
4 under this section shall be reimbursed annually for the premium
5 charges the person has paid for Part B of the federal Medicare program
6 covering the person.