

**HOUSE BILL NO. 130**

**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**

**SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION**

**BY REPRESENTATIVES PARNELL, Donley, Koponen, Gruenberg, Grussendorf, Larson**

**Introduced: 2/11/91**

**Referred: Community and Regional Affairs, Judiciary**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to immunity of a municipal ombudsman and staff and privilege of a  
2 municipal ombudsman and staff not to testify about certain matters."

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 \* **Section 1.** AS 09.65 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5           Sec. 09.65.075. IMMUNITY OF A MUNICIPAL OMBUDSMAN AND PRIVILEGE  
6 NOT TO TESTIFY. (a) Notwithstanding AS 09.65.070, a civil action may not be brought  
7 against a municipal ombudsman or member of the ombudsman's staff for anything done, said,  
8 or omitted in performing the duties or responsibilities of the ombudsman established by ordinance  
9 or charter.

10           (b) A municipal ombudsman or member of the ombudsman's staff may not testify in  
11 court regarding a matter involving the exercise or purported exercise of official duties of the  
12 ombudsman except as may be necessary to carry out the responsibilities of the ombudsman  
13 established by ordinance or charter.