

**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 574 (FINANCE)  
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION**

**BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Offered: 4/14/92**

**Referred: Rules**

**Sponsor(s): HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to the finances of state government; relating to charges and fees for  
2 various licenses, services, regulatory activities, and materials provided by the state including  
3 those related to motor vehicles and drivers of motor vehicles, to health and safety reviews,  
4 permits, and inspections, to hunting, fishing, and trapping, to occupational licenses,  
5 occupational certifications, and occupational training programs and plans, to notaries'  
6 commissions, to public offices, to identification cards, to state parks, to telecommunications,  
7 to public advocacy, to corrections, to the Dalton Highway, to pipeline carriers, and to  
8 public utilities; relating to the provision of licenses, services, regulatory activities, and  
9 materials by the state; relating to the collection of donations to the state park system; and  
10 providing for an effective date."

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

12 \* Section 1. AS 05.35.150 is amended to read:



1 reporting for use by persons required to make reports and statements under this chapter and  
2 otherwise assist candidates, groups, and individuals in complying with the requirements of this  
3 chapter;

4 (3) receive and hold open for public inspection reports and statements required  
5 to be made under this chapter and, upon request, furnish copies at cost to interested persons;

6 (4) compile and maintain a current list of all filed reports and statements;

7 (5) prepare a summary of each report filed under AS 15.13.110 and make copies  
8 of this summary available to interested persons at their actual cost;

9 (6) notify, by registered or certified mail, all persons who are delinquent in filing  
10 reports and statements required to be made under this chapter;

11 (7) report within 60 days after the election the names of all persons and groups  
12 who have failed to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter to the office of the attorney  
13 general;

14 (8) examine, investigate, and compare all reports, statements, and actions required  
15 by this chapter, AS 24.45, and AS 39.50 and report to the attorney general the names of all  
16 persons or groups that [WHICH] the commission has substantial reason to believe have violated  
17 this chapter, AS 24.45, or AS 39.50;

18 (9) prepare and publish a biennial report to the legislature concerning the activities  
19 of the commission, the effectiveness of this chapter, its enforcement by the attorney general's  
20 office, and recommendations and proposals for change;

21 (10) adopt regulations necessary to implement and clarify the provisions of  
22 AS 24.45, AS 39.50, and this chapter, subject to the provisions of the Administrative Procedure  
23 Act (AS 44.62);

24 (11) establish by regulation a schedule of fees for reports, statements, and  
25 filings, delinquent reports, statements, and filings, and for services performed by the  
26 commission.

27 \* Sec. 5. AS 16.05.340(a) is amended to read:

28 (a) Fees for licenses and tags are as follows:

29 (1) Resident sport fishing license . . . . . \$ 15 [10]

30 However, the fee is 25 cents for a resident who is blind.

31 (2) Resident hunting license . . . . . 25 [12]

1	(3) Resident hunting and trapping license	40 [22]
2	(4) Resident trapping license	15 [10]
3	(5) Resident hunting and sport fishing license	40 [22]
4	(6) Resident hunting, trapping, and sport fishing license	55 [32];
5	(A) however, the fee is \$5 for an applicant who	
6	(i) is receiving or has received assistance during the preceding six	
7	months under any state or federal welfare program to aid the indigent, or	
8	(ii) has an annual family gross income of less than \$8,200 for the	
9	year preceding application;	
10	(B) a person paying \$5 for a resident hunting, trapping, and sport fishing	
11	license must provide proof of eligibility under this paragraph when requested by the	
12	departments.	
13	(7) Nonresident special sport fishing license - valid for the period inscribed on	
14	the license	
15	(A) For 14-day license	\$ 30
16	(B) For three-day license	15
17	(C) For one-day license	10
18	(8) Nonresident sport fishing license	50
19	(9) Nonresident hunting license	85
20	(10) Nonresident hunting and sport fishing license	135
21	A nonresident may not take a big game animal without previously purchasing a numbered,	
22	nontransferable, appropriate tag, issued under (15) of this subsection. The tag must be affixed	
23	to the animal immediately upon capture and must remain affixed until the animal is prepared for	
24	storage, consumed, or exported. A tag issued but not used for an animal may be used to satisfy	
25	the tagging requirement for an animal of any other species for which the tag fee is of equal or	
26	less value.	
27	(11) Nonresident hunting and trapping license	\$250
28	(12) Fur dealers	
29	(A) Resident fur dealer biennial license	150
30	(B) Nonresident fur dealer biennial license	500
31	(13) Taxidermists	

1	(A) Resident taxidermy biennial license .....	200
2	(B) Nonresident taxidermy biennial license .....	500
3	(14) Aquatic farming triennial license .....	400
4	(15) Nonresident big game tags	
5	(A) Bear, black, each .....	225
6	(B) Bear, brown or grizzly, each .....	500
7	(C) Bison, each .....	450
8	(D) Caribou, each .....	325
9	(E) Deer, each .....	150
10	(F) Elk, each .....	300
11	(G) Goat, each .....	300
12	(H) Moose, each .....	400
13	(I) Sheep, each .....	425
14	(J) Wolf, each .....	175
15	(K) Wolverine, each .....	175
16	(L) Musk oxen, each .....	1,100

17	(16) Resident big game tags	
18	(A) Bear, brown or grizzly, each .....	\$25

19 The Board of Game may, by regulation effective for not more than one year, eliminate the  
20 resident brown or grizzly bear tag and fee for all or a portion of a game management unit.

21	(B) Musk oxen, each .....	500
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22 However, the Board of Game may by regulation reduce or eliminate the fee for a resident big  
23 game tag for musk oxen for an open season.

24	(17) Waterfowl conservation tag .....	5
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25 (A) A person may not engage in waterfowl hunting without having the  
26 current year's waterfowl tag in the person's actual possession, unless that person

- 27 (i) qualifies for a \$5 license fee under (6) of this subsection;
- 28 (ii) is a resident under the age of 16;
- 29 (iii) is 60 years of age or older and is a resident;
- 30 (iv) is a disabled veteran eligible for a free license under

31 AS 16.05.341.

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(B) The Board of Game shall by regulation exempt the requirement of a waterfowl conservation tag for waterfowl hunting in areas of the state not likely to benefit from programs described in AS 16.05.130(b)(2) - (4).

(18) Game farming

- (A) Game mammal or game reptile farming biennial license . . . \$250
- (B) Game bird farming biennial license . . . . . 50

(19) Nonresident small game hunting license . . . . . 20

(20) Nonresident alien hunting license . . . . . 300

A nonresident alien may not take a big game animal without previously purchasing a numbered, nontransferable, appropriate tag, issued under (21) of this subsection. The tag must be affixed to the animal immediately upon capture and must remain affixed until the animal is prepared for storage, consumed, or exported. A tag issued but not used for an animal may be used to satisfy the tagging requirement for an animal of any other species for which the tag fee is of equal or less value.

(21) Nonresident alien big game tags

- (A) Bear, black, each . . . . . \$300
- (B) Bear, brown or grizzly, each . . . . . 650
- (C) Bison, each . . . . . 650
- (D) Caribou, each . . . . . 425
- (E) Deer, each . . . . . 200
- (F) Elk, each . . . . . 400
- (G) Goat, each . . . . . 400
- (H) Moose, each . . . . . 500
- (I) Musk oxen, each . . . . . 1,500
- (J) Sheep, each . . . . . 550
- (K) Wolf, each . . . . . 250
- (L) Wolverine, each . . . . . 250

(22) Chitina personal use salmon dip net fishing permit . . . . . 10

(23) Resident king salmon tag . . . . . 10

A resident may not engage in sport fishing for king salmon without having the current year's king salmon tag in the resident's actual possession, unless that person

- 1 (A) qualifies for a 25 cent license fee under (1) of this subsection;  
2 (B) is under the age of 16;  
3 (C) is 60 years of age or older and has been a resident of the state for at  
4 least one year;  
5 (D) is a disabled veteran eligible for a free license under AS 16.05.341;  
6 or  
7 (E) qualifies for a \$5 license fee under (6) of this subsection.

8 **(24) Nonresident king salmon tag . . . . . \$20**  
9 **A nonresident may not engage in sport fishing for king salmon without having the current**  
10 **year's king salmon tag in the person's actual possession.**

11 \* Sec. 6. AS 18.31.200 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

- 12 (g) The Department of Labor shall adopt by regulation a fee schedule for  
13 (1) review, approval, and certification of asbestos training certification programs  
14 and plans under this section; and  
15 (2) certification of a person employed to abate an asbestos health hazard.

16 \* Sec. 7. AS 18.65.310(a) is amended to read:

- 17 (a) Upon payment of a \$10 [~~\$5~~] fee, the Department of Public Safety shall issue a card  
18 identical to the motor vehicle operator's license provided for in AS 28.15.111, except that the  
19 card shall be of a different color and shall state in bold type letters across the face of it that it  
20 is for identification purposes only.

21 \* Sec. 8. AS 19.40 is amended by adding a new section to read:

22 Sec. 19.40.115. MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS. The department may enter into a  
23 contract or agreement with the producers of oil from the North Slope oil fields providing for the  
24 reimbursement or partial reimbursement of the state for the costs of maintaining the Dalton  
25 Highway. In this section, "North Slope" means that area of the state lying north of 68 degrees  
26 latitude.

27 \* Sec. 9. AS 28.10.108(b) is amended to read:

- 28 (b) Subject to the provisions of (f) of this section, a vehicle subject to registration  
29 (1) under AS 28.10.011 and 28.10.421(b)(3) [~~AND (4)~~] and (c)(1) - (4) shall have  
30 its initial registration, and may have its annual registration, renewed during the month of  
31 December;

1 (2) under AS 28.10.181, 28.10.411 and 28.10.421(d)(3) and ~~(8)~~ [(9)] shall have  
2 its initial registration, and may have its annual registration, renewed during the month of January.

3 \* Sec. 10. AS 28.10.421(b) is amended to read:

4 (b) The annual registration fees under this subsection are imposed within the following  
5 classifications for:

6 (1) a passenger vehicle [OR MOTOR HOME] not used or maintained for the  
7 transportation of persons or property for hire or for other commercial use . . . . . \$70 [\$35];

8 (2) a pick-up truck or a van not exceeding 6,000 pounds unladen weight and not  
9 used or maintained for the transportation of persons or property for hire or for other commercial  
10 use . . . . . \$75 [\$40];

11 (3) a taxicab . . . . . \$200 [\$70];

12 (4) [A MOTOR BUS WITH A SEATING CAPACITY FOR 20 OR MORE  
13 PERSONS AND USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES IN THE  
14 TRANSPORTING OF VISITORS OR TOURISTS . . . . . \$85;

15 (5) a motorcycle or a motor-driven cycle . . . . . \$50 [\$20];

16 ~~(5)~~ [(6)] a trailer not used or maintained for the transportation of persons or  
17 property for hire or for other commercial use, including, but not limited to, a boat trailer, baggage  
18 trailer, box trailer, utility trailer, house trailer, travel trailer, or a trailer rented or offered for rent  
19 . . . . . \$25; [\$5]

20 (6) a motor home not used or maintained for the transportation of persons  
21 or property for hire or for other commercial use

22 (A) less than 10,000 pounds unladen weight . . . . . \$100;

23 (B) 10,000 or more pounds unladen weight . . . . . \$200.

24 \* Sec. 11. AS 28.10.421(c) is amended to read:

25 (c) The annual registration fees under this subsection are imposed and are based upon  
26 the actual unladen weight as established by the manufacturer's advertised weight or upon the  
27 actual weight that [WHICH] the owner shall furnish, subject to the approval of the commissioner  
28 or the commissioner's representative, for a vehicle used commercially or noncommercially and  
29 for which a fee is not specified under (b) of this section [, INCLUDING A MOTOR  
30 VEHICLE PULLING A TRAILER OR SEMI-TRAILER, USED OR MAINTAINED FOR THE  
31 TRANSPORTATION OF PASSENGERS FOR HIRE, EXCEPTING TAXICABS AND BUSES

1 UNDER (b) OF THIS SECTION, OR FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF PROPERTY FOR  
2 HIRE OR FOR OTHER COMMERCIAL USE, INCLUDING A COMMERCIAL VEHICLE  
3 SUCH AS A TRAILER, SEMI-TRAILER, TRUCK, WRECKER, TOW CAR, HEARSE,  
4 AMBULANCE, AND TRACTOR], as follows

- 5 (1) up to and including 5,000 pounds ..... \$100 [\$51];  
6 (2) more than 5,000 pounds to and including 12,000 pounds ... \$200 [\$86];  
7 (3) more than 12,000 pounds to and including 18,000 ..... \$300 [\$156];  
8 (4) more than 18,000 pounds ..... \$400 [\$221].

9 \* Sec. 12. AS 28.10.421(c) is repealed and reenacted to read:

10 (c) The annual registration fees under this subsection are imposed and are based upon  
11 the actual unladen weight as established by the manufacturer's advertised weight or upon the  
12 actual weight that the owner shall furnish, subject to the approval of the commissioner or the  
13 commissioner's representative, for a vehicle used commercially or noncommercially and for  
14 which a fee is not specified under (b) of this section, as follows

- 15 (1) up to and including 5,000 pounds ..... \$200;  
16 (2) more than 5,000 pounds to and including 12,000 pounds ..... \$400;  
17 (3) more than 12,000 pounds to and including 18,000 ..... \$600;  
18 (4) more than 18,000 pounds ..... \$800.

19 \* Sec. 13. AS 28.10.421(d) is amended to read:

20 (d) The special registration fees under this subsection are imposed annually, unless  
21 otherwise specified, for

- 22 (1) an historic vehicle (one time only upon initial registration under  
23 AS 28.10.181) ..... \$50 [\$10];  
24 (2) special request plates for  
25 (A) Alaska National Guard personnel ..... \$50 [\$30];  
26 (B) veterans or retired veterans ..... \$50 [\$30];  
27 (C) recipients of the Purple Heart ..... \$50 [\$30];  
28 (D) other special request plates ..... \$50 [\$30];

29 plus the fee required for that vehicle under (b) of this section; the fee required by this  
30 paragraph shall be collected only on the first issuance [AND ON THE REPLACEMENT]  
31 of special request plates;

- 1                   (3) a vehicle owned by a disabled veteran or other handicapped person, and  
 2 registered under AS 28.10.181 [OR A RESIDENT 65 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER WHO  
 3 FILES A WRITTEN APPLICATION FOR AN EXEMPTION ON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY  
 4 THE DEPARTMENT] ..... none;  
 5                   (4) a vehicle owned by the state ..... none;  
 6                   (5) a vehicle owned by an elected state official .....  
 7 ..... the fee required for that vehicle under (b) of this section;  
 8                   (6) [REPEALED  
 9                   (7)] a vehicle owned by a rancher, farmer, or dairyman and registered under  
 10 AS 28.10.181 ..... \$75 [\$35];  
 11                   (7) [(8)] a snowmobile or off-highway vehicle ..... \$10 [\$5];  
 12                   (8) [(9)] an amateur mobile radio station vehicle [,  
 13                                   (A) WITH A TRANSCEIVER CAPABLE OF LESS THAN 5-BAND  
 14 OPERATION] .... the fee required for that vehicle under (b) or (c) of this section;  
 15                                   [(B) IN RECOGNITION OF SERVICE TO THE PUBLIC A MOBILE  
 16 AMATEUR RADIO STATION OWNED BY AN AMATEUR WITH GENERAL CLASS  
 17 OR HIGHER LICENSE, PROVIDED THE STATION MUST BE SATISFACTORILY  
 18 PROVED CAPABLE OF OPERATING ON AT LEAST FIVE BANDS FROM 160  
 19 THROUGH 10 METERS, MUST HAVE AN ANTENNA, AND MUST HAVE A  
 20 POWER SUPPLY AND WIRING AS A PERMANENT PART OF THE VEHICLE; THE  
 21 TRANSMITTING UNIT MAY BE REMOVED FROM THE CAR FOR SERVICE OR  
 22 DRY STORAGE ..... NONE  
 23 FOR A MOBILE AMATEUR RADIO STATION VEHICLE INCLUDED IN (b)(1) OR  
 24                                   (2) OF THIS SECTION;]  
 25                   (9) [(10)] dealer registration plates [,  
 26                                   (A) THE INITIAL SET OF PLATES] ..... \$100 [\$45];  
 27                                   [(B) EACH SUBSEQUENT SET OF PLATES ..... \$25;]  
 28                   (10) [(11)] a vehicle owned by a municipality, except a municipal utility vehicle  
 29 [OR CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF AS 28.10.181(e)]  
 30 ..... \$5;  
 31                   (11) [(12)] AN OCCASIONAL USE VEHICLE UNDER AS 28.10.181(k) \$15;



1 (8) special permit for vehicle used for transport of disabled or handicapped person  
2 issued under AS 28.10.495 . . . . . none.

3 \* Sec. 16. AS 28.15.271(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) The fees for drivers' licenses and permits, including but not limited to renewals, and  
5 all related driver skills tests are as follows:

- 6 (1) all noncommercial vehicles and motor-driven cycles  
7 (A) each license fee . . . . . **\$25** [~~\$10~~];  
8 (B) each driver skills test . . . . . **\$15**;  
9 (2) all commercial motor vehicles  
10 (A) each license fee . . . . . **\$100**;  
11 (B) each driver skills test . . . . . **\$25**;  
12 (3) instruction permit . . . . . **\$15** [~~\$3~~];  
13 (4) duplicate of driver's license or instruction permit . . . . . **\$15** [~~\$3~~];  
14 (5) temporary license and renewal of permit . . . . . **\$15** [~~\$3~~];  
15 (6) school bus driver's endorsement renewal . . . . . **\$5** [~~\$3~~].

16 \* Sec. 17. AS 28.22.011(a) is amended to read:

17 (a) The operator or owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration under AS 28.10.011  
18 when driven on a highway, vehicular way or area, or on other public property in the state, shall  
19 be insured under a motor vehicle liability policy that complies with this chapter or a certificate  
20 of self-insurance that complies with AS 28.20.400 unless

21 (1) the motor vehicle is being driven or moved on a highway, vehicular way, or  
22 a public parking place in the state that is not connected by a land highway or vehicular way to

- 23 (A) the land-connected state highway system, or  
24 (B) a highway or vehicular way with an average daily traffic volume  
25 greater than 499; and

26 (2) the operator has not been cited within the preceding five years for a traffic  
27 law violation with a demerit point value of six or more on the point schedule determined under  
28 regulations adopted by the department under AS 28.15.221; or

29 (3) the vehicle will travel on state highways less than five percent of its total  
30 hours of operation [THE MOTOR VEHICLE IS REGISTERED UNDER AS 28.10.181(k)].

31 \* Sec. 18. AS 33.30.231 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

1 (d) Notwithstanding (a) of this section, the department may contract under AS 36.30 for  
2 telephone services for use by a prisoner.

3 \* Sec. 19. AS 41.21.020(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) The department shall

5 (1) develop a continuing plan for the conservation and maximum use in the public  
6 interest of the scenic, historic, archaeologic, scientific, biological, and recreational resources of  
7 the state;

8 (2) plan for and develop a system of state parks and recreational facilities, to be  
9 established as the legislature authorizes and directs;

10 (3) acquire by gift, purchase, or transfer from state or federal agencies, or from  
11 individuals, corporations, partnerships or associations, land necessary, suitable and proper for  
12 roadside, picnic, recreational, or park purposes;

13 (4) control, develop, and maintain state parks and recreational areas;

14 (5) provide for the acquisition, care, control, supervision, improvement,  
15 development, extension, and maintenance of public recreational land, and make necessary  
16 arrangements, contracts, or commitments for the improvement and development of land acquired  
17 under AS 41.21.010 - 41.21.040; contracting for improvement and development under this  
18 paragraph is governed by AS 36.30 (State Procurement Code);

19 (6) adopt, in accordance with this section and the Administrative Procedure Act  
20 (AS 44.62), regulations governing the use and designating incompatible uses within the  
21 boundaries of state park and recreational areas to protect the property and to preserve the peace;

22 (7) cooperate with the United States and its agencies and local subdivisions of the  
23 state to secure the effective supervision, improvement, development, extension, and maintenance  
24 of state parks, state monuments, state historical areas, and state recreational areas, and secure  
25 agreements or contracts for the purpose of AS 41.21.010 - 41.21.040;

26 (8) encourage the organization of state public park and recreational activities in  
27 the local political subdivisions of the state;

28 (9) provide for consulting service designed to develop local park and recreation  
29 facilities and programs;

30 (10) provide clearinghouse services for other state agencies concerned with park  
31 and recreation matters;

- 1 (11) perform other duties as are prescribed by executive order or by law;  
2 (12) maintain memorials to Alaska veterans located in state parks; [AND]  
3 (13) adopt, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62),  
4 regulations governing the use of the Chena River State Recreation Area and designating  
5 incompatible uses within the boundaries of the Chena River State Recreation Area in accordance  
6 with AS 41.21.490; and  
7 (14) accept cash and other donations from public or private sources to assist  
8 and support the department in carrying out the purposes of this chapter.

9 \* Sec. 20. AS 41.21.026(a) is amended to read:

- 10 (a) Notwithstanding (b) of this section, the [THE] department may charge or collect  
11 a fee in a park unit for  
12 (1) rental of public use cabins or other overnight lodgings;  
13 (2) [OVERNIGHT] use of a developed or en route campsite;  
14 (3) special park use permits;  
15 (4) competitive and exclusive commercial use permits;  
16 (5) noncompetitive and nonexclusive commercial use permits;  
17 (6) use of a sewage holding tank dump station;  
18 (7) admission to or guided tours of visitor centers or historic sites; [AND]  
19 (8) use of an improved boat ramp in a park facility developed principally for boat  
20 launching;  
21 (9) sale of  
22 (A) firewood;  
23 (B) merchandise related to public use, enjoyment, and understanding  
24 of parks, including maps, plans, and other graphic materials;  
25 (10) use of a developed trailhead, access site, or picnic site, that has parking,  
26 rest rooms, and refuse collection; and  
27 (11) the presentation or attendance at programs related to natural or cultural  
28 history, outdoor skills or education, or other topics concerned with public use, enjoyment,  
29 or understanding of parks.

30 \* Sec. 21. AS 41.21.026(e) is amended to read:

- 31 (e) In this section,

1                   (1) "developed campsite" means a campsite having access to the following public  
2 facilities:

- 3                   (A) [(1)] rest rooms;  
4                   (B) [(2)] a picnic table;  
5                   (C) [(3)] an outdoor cooking facility; and  
6                   (D) [(4)] an approved water source;

7                   (2) "en route campsite" means a campsite intended principally for short-term  
8 occupation while in transit between destinations, and not necessarily having any of the  
9 public facilities required for a developed campsite under (1) of this subsection.

10 \* Sec. 22. AS 42.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:

11                   Sec. 42.05.253. PUBLIC UTILITY REGULATORY COST CHARGE. (a) A public  
12 utility operating in the state shall pay to the commission an annual regulatory cost charge in an  
13 amount not to exceed the following:

14                   (1) for regulated utilities, .61 percent of gross revenue derived from operations  
15 in the state, as modified under (c) of this section if appropriate;

16                   (2) for exempt utilities, .122 percent of gross revenue derived from operations in  
17 the state, as modified under (c) of this section if appropriate.

18                   (b) The commission shall by regulation establish a method to determine annually the  
19 amount of the regulatory cost charge for a public utility. If the amount the commission expects  
20 to collect under (a) of this section exceeds the authorized budget of the commission for the fiscal  
21 year, the commission shall, by order, reduce the percentages set out in (a) of this section so that  
22 the total amount of the fees collected approximately equals the authorized budget of the  
23 commission for the fiscal year.

24                   (c) In determining the amount of the regulatory cost charge imposed under (a) of this  
25 section,

26                   (1) a utility selling utility services at wholesale shall modify its gross revenue by  
27 deducting payments it receives for wholesale sales;

28                   (2) a local exchange telephone utility shall modify its gross revenue by deducting  
29 payments received from other carriers for settlements or access charges.

30                   (d) The commission shall administer, collect, and enforce the charge imposed under this  
31 section.

1 (e) The commission shall adopt regulations to allow a public utility to recover all  
2 payments made to the commission under this section. The commission may not require a public  
3 utility to file a rate case in order to be eligible to recover the regulatory cost charge.

4 (f) The commission may adopt regulations under AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure  
5 Act) necessary to administer this section, including requirements and procedures for reporting  
6 information and making quarterly payments, for investigating the accuracy of filed information,  
7 and for collecting required payments.

8 (g) In this section,

9 (1) "exempt utility" means a public utility that is certificated by the commission  
10 under AS 42.05.221 - 42.05.281 but, under AS 42.05.711, is exempt from other regulatory  
11 requirements of this chapter;

12 (2) "gross revenue" means the total operating revenue from intrastate services, as  
13 shown in a utility's annual report prepared under the uniform system of accounts established by  
14 the commission by regulation; except in the case of a long-distance carrier telephone utility,  
15 "gross revenue" includes all toll revenue, including toll settlements payments;

16 (3) "regulated utility" means a public utility that is certificated by the commission  
17 under AS 42.05.221 - 42.05.281 and that is subject to the other regulatory requirements of this  
18 chapter;

19 (4) "wholesale sales" means sales to another utility for resale under circumstances  
20 that make revenue from the resale subject to the regulatory cost charge imposed under this  
21 section.

22 \* Sec. 23. AS 42.05.651(a) is amended to read:

23 (a) After completion of a hearing or investigation held under this chapter, the commission  
24 shall allocate the costs of the hearing or investigation among the parties, including the  
25 commission, as is just under the circumstances. In allocating costs, the commission shall  
26 consider the regulatory cost charge paid by a utility under AS 42.05.253 and may consider  
27 the results, ability to pay, evidence of good faith, other relevant factors, and mitigating  
28 circumstances. The costs allocated may include the costs of any time devoted to the investigation  
29 or hearing by hired consultants, whether or not the consultants appear as witnesses or  
30 participants. The costs allocated may also include any out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the  
31 commission in the particular proceeding. The commission shall provide an opportunity for any

1 person objecting to an allocation to be heard before the allocation becomes final.

2 \* Sec. 24. AS 42.06 is amended by adding a new section to read:

3 Sec. 42.06.285. PIPELINE CARRIER REGULATORY COST CHARGE. (a) A pipeline  
4 carrier operating in the state shall pay to the commission an annual regulatory cost charge in an  
5 amount not to exceed .6 percent of gross revenue derived from operations in the state.

6 (b) The commission shall by regulation establish a method to determine annually the  
7 amount of the regulatory cost charge. If the amount the commission expects to collect under (a)  
8 of this section exceeds the authorized budget of the commission for the fiscal year, the  
9 commission shall, by order, reduce the percentage set out in (a) of this section so that the total  
10 amount of the fees collected approximately equals the authorized budget of the commission for  
11 the fiscal year.

12 (c) The commission shall administer, collect, and enforce the charge imposed under this  
13 section.

14 (d) The commission may adopt regulations under AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure  
15 Act) necessary to administer this section, including requirements and procedures for reporting  
16 information and making quarterly payments, for investigating the accuracy of filed information,  
17 and for collecting required payments.

18 (e) In this section, "gross revenue" means the total intrastate operating revenue as shown  
19 in a pipeline carrier's annual report prepared under the uniform system of accounts established  
20 by the commission by regulation.

21 \* Sec. 25. AS 42.06.610(a) is amended to read:

22 (a) During a proceeding held under this chapter, the commission shall allocate the cost  
23 of the proceeding among the parties, including the commission, as is just under the  
24 circumstances. In allocating costs, the commission shall consider the regulatory cost charge  
25 paid by the pipeline carrier under AS 42.06.285. The costs allocated may include the costs  
26 of any time devoted to investigations or hearings by hired consultants, whether or not the  
27 consultants appear as witnesses or participants. The commission shall provide an opportunity for  
28 any person objecting to an allocation to be heard before the allocation becomes final.

29 \* Sec. 26. AS 44.21.310(b) is amended to read:

30 (b) The department may

31 (1) coordinate its functions with local, regional, state, and federal officials, private

- 1 groups and individuals, and with officials of other countries, provinces, and states;
- 2 (2) enter into contracts and subcontracts on behalf of the state to carry out the  
3 provisions of AS 44.21.305 - AS 44.21.330;
- 4 (3) act for the state in the initiation, investigation, and evaluation of, or  
5 participation in, programs related to the purposes of the department ~~that~~ [WHICH] involve more  
6 than one government or governmental unit;
- 7 (4) on behalf of the state, apply for, accept, and expend gifts or grants made to  
8 the state if the gifts or grants are for the purposes of furthering the objectives of the department;  
9 [AND]
- 10 (5) hold public hearings to obtain information for the purpose of carrying out the  
11 provisions of AS 44.21.305 - 44.21.330; and
- 12 (6) provide telecommunication services to commercial entities for television  
13 broadcast and charge for those services.
- 14 \* Sec. 27. AS 44.21.410(a) is amended to read:
- 15 (a) The office of public advocacy shall
- 16 (1) perform the duties of the public guardian under AS 13.26.360 - 13.26.410;
- 17 (2) provide visitors and experts in guardianship proceedings under AS 13.26.131;
- 18 (3) provide guardian ad litem services to children in child protection actions under  
19 AS 47.17.030(e) and to wards and respondents in guardianship proceedings who will suffer  
20 financial hardship or become dependent upon a government agency or a private person or agency  
21 if the services are not provided at state expense under AS 13.26.112;
- 22 (4) provide legal representation in guardianship proceedings to respondents who  
23 are financially unable to employ attorneys under AS 13.26.106(b), to indigent parties in cases  
24 involving child custody in which the opposing party is represented by counsel provided by a  
25 public agency, to indigent parents or guardians of a minor respondent in a commitment  
26 proceeding concerning the minor under AS 47.30.775;
- 27 (5) provide legal representation and guardian ad litem services under  
28 AS 25.24.310; in cases arising under AS 47.15 (Uniform Interstate Compact on Juveniles); in  
29 cases involving petitions to adopt a minor under AS 25.23.125(b) or petitions for the termination  
30 of parental rights on grounds set out in AS 25.23.180(c)(3); in cases involving petitions to  
31 remove the disabilities of a minor under AS 09.55.590; in children's proceedings under

1 AS 47.10.050(a); and in cases involving indigent persons who are entitled to representation under  
2 AS 18.85.100 and who cannot be represented by the public defender agency because of a conflict  
3 of interests;

4 (6) develop and coordinate a program to recruit, select, train, assign, and supervise  
5 volunteer guardians ad litem from local communities to aid in delivering services in cases in  
6 which the office of public advocacy is appointed as guardian ad litem;

7 (7) provide guardian ad litem services in proceedings under AS 12.45.046;

8 (8) establish a fee schedule and collect fees for services provided by the office.  
9 except as provided in AS 18.85.120 or when imposition or collection of a fee is not in the  
10 public interest as defined under regulations adopted by the commissioner of administration.

11 \* Sec. 28. AS 44.28 is amended by adding new sections to read:

12 Sec. 44.28.040. FEES. Notwithstanding AS 09.25.110 - 09.25.130, the department may  
13 establish by regulation and may charge reasonable fees for

14 (1) training; and

15 (2) departmental publications and research data to cover the cost of reproduction,  
16 printing, mailing, and distribution.

17 Sec. 44.28.090. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter,

18 (1) "commissioner" means the commissioner of corrections;

19 (2) "department" means the Department of Corrections.

20 \* Sec. 29. AS 44.46.025(a) is amended to read:

21 (a) The Department of Environmental Conservation may adopt regulations that prescribe  
22 reasonable fees, and establish procedures for the collection of the fees, to cover the direct costs  
23 of the following services provided by the department:

24 (1) inspections, permit administration, plan review and approval, and other related  
25 services provided under AS 03.05, AS 17.20, and AS 18.35;

26 (2) air quality permits under AS 46.03.140 and 46.03.160;

27 (3) hazardous waste permits under AS 46.03.299 and 46.03.302;

28 (4) plan approvals and permits for sewerage system and treatment works and  
29 wastewater disposal systems, and plan approvals for drinking water systems, under AS 46.03.720;

30 (5) oil discharge financial responsibility approvals under AS 46.04.040;

31 (6) oil discharge contingency plan approvals under AS 46.04.030;

- 1 (7) water and wastewater operator training under AS 46.30;
- 2 (8) inspections under AS 44.46.020 of swimming pools, spas, hot tubs,
- 3 barbershops, hairdressing and cosmetological establishments, daycare residential child care
- 4 facilities, adult residential care facilities, pre-elementary school facilities, facilities that sell
- 5 or commercially produce compressed air for human respiration, and public
- 6 accommodations;
- 7 (9) inspections under AS 18.35.220 of public facilities, toilets, lavatories,
- 8 showers, laundromats, and tattoo parlors;
- 9 (10) siting approvals of hazardous waste management facilities issued under
- 10 AS 46.03.296;
- 11 (11) reviews of sewage and industrial waste disposal or treatment plans
- 12 conducted under AS 46.03.090;
- 13 (12) permits for applications of pesticides and broadcast chemicals issued
- 14 under AS 46.03.320.

15 \* Sec. 30. AS 44.50.040 is amended to read:

16 Sec. 44.50.040. FEES. A fee established by the lieutenant governor by regulation [OF

17 \$40] shall be paid to the lieutenant governor for each commission issued to a person other than

18 a state employee.

19 \* Sec. 31. TEMPORARY FEES IN STATE PARKS. (a) The following fees apply for the following

20 activities in units of the state park system until the Department of Natural Resources adopts a regulation

21 under AS 41.21.026(c) that establishes a fee for that activity:

- 22 (1) sale of firewood . . . . . \$4 per bundle;
- 23 (2) use of a developed trailhead, access site, or picnic site, that has parking, rest rooms,
- 24 and refuse collection . . . . . \$2 per vehicle, or \$25 for an annual pass;
- 25 (3) admission to visitor centers or historic sites . . . . . \$1 per person;
- 26 (4) use of an en route campsite . . . . . \$3 per vehicle.

27 (b) The commissioner of natural resources shall notify the revisor of statutes when a regulation

28 is adopted that establishes a fee for an activity described under (a) of this section.

29 \* Sec. 32. Section 31 of this Act is repealed on a date that is two years after the effective date of this

30 section.

31 \* Sec. 33. AS 08.01.065(b) and AS 08.62.040(a)(4)(B) are repealed.

- 1 \* **Sec. 34.** AS 28.10.181(k), 28.10.411(f), 28.10.421(f), and AS 28.15.271(b) are repealed.
- 2 \* **Sec. 35.** Section 12 of this Act takes effect January 1, 1996.
- 3 \* **Sec. 36.** Sections 9 - 11, 13 - 17, and 34 of this Act take effect January 1, 1993.
- 4 \* **Sec. 37.** Sections 22 - 25 of this Act take effect July 1, 1992.
- 5 \* **Sec. 38.** Except as provided in secs. 35 - 37 of this Act, this Act takes effect immediately under
- 6 AS 01.10.070(c).