

SENATE BILL NO. 157

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Introduced: 3/1/91

Referred: HES, L&C and Judiciary

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to optometrists."

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

3 * Section 1. AS 08.72.272 is repealed and reenacted to read:

4 Sec. 08.72.272. USE OF PHARMACEUTICAL AGENTS. (a) A licensee may use a
5 pharmaceutical agent in the practice of optometry if

6 (1) the pharmaceutical agent is a drug

7 (A) topically applied to the human eye and its appendages; or

8 (B) administered orally, within the categories of

9 (i) anti-infective;

10 (ii) analgesic;

11 (iii) decongestant/antihistamine;

12 (iv) antiglaucoma; and

13 (2) the person holds a license endorsement issued by the board authorizing the
14 use of pharmaceutical agents.

1 (b) A licensee may not purchase, possess, or administer a pharmaceutical agent unless
2 the licensee has obtained a license endorsement under AS 08.72.175.

3 * Sec. 2. AS 08.72 is amended by adding a new section to read:

4 Sec. 08.72.273. REMOVAL OF FOREIGN BODIES. A licensee may remove superficial
5 foreign bodies from the eye and its appendages. This section is not intended to permit a licensee
6 to perform invasive surgery.