

**CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 208 (L&C)
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION**

BY THE SENATE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

**Offered: 4/15/91
Referred: Rules**

Sponsor(s): SENATOR ELIASON

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

**1 "An Act relating to workers' compensation for volunteer emergency medical technicians;
2 and providing for an effective date."**

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

4 * Section 1. AS 23.30 is amended by adding a new section to read:

**5 Sec. 23.30.238. VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS AS
6 EMPLOYEES. (a) A person who is injured during the course and within the scope of providing
7 service as a volunteer emergency medical technician is an employee of the state for purposes of
8 this chapter if the person**

**9 (1) is certified by the state under AS 18.08 as an emergency medical technician
10 or is an active roster volunteer member of a state certified emergency medical service and is
11 registered with the Department of Health and Social Services;**

**12 (2) provides emergency medical service outside an incorporated city or borough;
13 and**

14 (3) is not otherwise covered for that injury by an employer's workers'

1 compensation insurance policy or self-insurance certificate.

2 (b) The gross weekly earnings for a person receiving benefits under this section shall be
3 the minimum gross weekly earnings paid a full-time emergency medical technician employed in
4 the city or borough nearest to the place where the injury occurred, or, if the nearest city or
5 borough has no full-time emergency medical technician, at a reasonable figure previously set by
6 the nearest city or borough to make this determination, but in no case may the gross weekly
7 earnings for calculating compensation be less than the minimum wage computed on the basis of
8 40 hours of work a week.

9 * **Sec. 2.** AS 23.30.265 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

10 (34) "volunteer emergency medical technician" means a person who (A) is
11 certified by the state as an emergency medical technician under AS 18.08 or (B) is an active
12 roster volunteer member of a state certified emergency medical service and is registered with the
13 Department of Health and Social Services, and who provides emergency medical services on a
14 voluntary basis.

15 * **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).