

**SENATE BILL NO. 418**

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

**SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION**

**BY SENATOR ZHAROFF**

**Introduced: 2/18/92**  
**Referred: L&C, Judiciary**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

**1 "An Act relating to liability insurance for certain dog and wolf owners."**

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

**3 \* Section 1. AS 03.55 is amended by adding a new section to read:**

**4           Sec. 03.55.080. LIABILITY INSURANCE REQUIRED. (a) A person who owns a pit**  
**5           bull terrier shall obtain and maintain in effect a policy of liability insurance in an amount of not**  
**6           less than \$1,000,000 from an insurer authorized to do business in this state. A person who owns**  
**7           a hybrid wolf shall obtain and maintain in effect a policy of liability insurance in an amount of**  
**8           not less than \$500,000 from an insurer authorized to do business in this state. Liability insurance**  
**9           required under this section must provide coverage for death, injury, disability, or property damage**  
**10          for which the insured is legally liable and that is caused by a dog or hybrid wolf described in this**  
**11          section that is owned by the insured.**

**12                   (b) A person who violates this section is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.**

**13                   (c) In this section,**

**14                           (1) "hybrid wolf" means a dog that had a wolf as a sire or dam;**

1 (2) "liability insurance" has the meaning given in AS 21.12.070(a)(2);

2 (3) "pit bull terrier" means a dog that meets or substantially conforms to the  
3 standards established by the American Kennel Club for the American staffordshire terrier or the  
4 staffordshire bull terrier or a dog that meets or substantially conforms to the standards established  
5 by the United Kennel Club for the American pit bull terrier.