

**SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 323(RLS)
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION**

BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE

**Offered: 5/5/94
Referred: Today's Calendar**

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVE TOOHEY

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to requests for anatomical gifts and to the release of certain
2 information for the purpose of facilitating anatomical gifts."

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

4 * Section 1. AS 13.50 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 Sec. 13.50.018. PROCEDURES REQUIRED. Unless the person is already
6 required by AS 13.50.014(b) to adopt the procedures, a person who is a bank or
7 storage facility or who handles the procurement of anatomical requests shall develop
8 procedures that specify the circumstances under which it is inappropriate to request a
9 gift, such as if the gift is unsuitable, if the request is likely to offend the donor's
10 religious beliefs, or if making the request is likely to cause undue emotional distress
11 to the person who would be making the gift. The procedures must encourage
12 reasonable discretion and sensitivity.

13 * Sec. 2. AS 13.50 is amended by adding a new section to read:

14 Sec. 13.50.063. REQUESTS FOR FETAL TISSUE OR PARTS.

1 Notwithstanding the other provisions of this chapter, a person may not request an
2 anatomical gift if the gift includes tissue or other parts of a human fetus.

3 * Sec. 3. AS 18.50.310 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

4 (i) If, to facilitate an anatomical gift under AS 13.50, a person who is a bank
5 or storage facility or who handles the procurement of anatomical gifts requests
6 information contained in or collected by the department for the purpose of completing
7 death certificates or other vital records, the department may release the requested
8 information to the requestor, except that the department may not release information
9 that facilitates an anatomical gift of the tissue or other parts of a human fetus. The
10 information released may include information relating to the medical suitability of the
11 potential gift for the intended purpose and the names of the persons who are identified
12 in AS 13.50.010(b). In this subsection, "bank or storage facility" has the meaning
13 given in AS 13.50.070.