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# TELEGRAM

File 885

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RE: HB 885

THE ASUA STUDENT LIBBY REQUESTS THAT PORTION OF THE DRAFT LANGUAGE FOR HB 885, BEGINNING WITH QUOTE THE POST SECONDARY EDUCATION.. "AND ENDING WITH".. INSTITUTION OF POST SECONDARY EDUCATION." BE DELETED. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THE RIGHT TO SEEK INJUNCTION IS AVAILABLE TO ANY OR ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND NEED NOT BE SPECIFICALLY DEFINED.

IN THE INTEREST OF CLARITY THAT PORTION OF HB 885, SEC. 23.40.245 (D) READING "THE MEMBERS OF THE POST SECONDARY EDUCATION STUDENT COMMITTEE NEED NOT BE STUDENTS." SHOULD BE RETAINED.

RESPECTFULLY

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Representative Terry Gardiner, Chairman  
House Judiciary Committee  
Alaska House of Representatives  
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Representative Gardiner:

The Legislative Committee of the Alaska State Medical Association has studied CSHB 855. We are concerned that the bill would require a physician to list patients as "sources of income" if he were to run for office or be appointed to any public office. This would include such jobs as the state jail physician job. Such action on the physicians part is by law unethical. Hence, as a result, the physician is disenfranchised. He either cannot hold public office or cannot practice medicine. Clearly the conflict is intolerable and probably was not the intent of the authorities writing the proposed legislation.

We would like to ask that this bill not be passed as written. Hopefully, some alternative could be found which would permit the physician to serve in public office and yet not be in violation of the ethics.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Richard L. Witt, M. D., Chairman  
Legislative Committee  
Alaska State Medical Association

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