



# LAWS OF ALASKA

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**Chapter No.**

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**AN ACT**

Relating to hepatitis B vaccinations for law enforcement officers and emergency medical and rescue personnel; and providing for an effective date.

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

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Approved by the Governor: June 11, 1991  
Actual Effective Date: June 12, 1991

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2 and rescue personnel; and providing for an effective date.  
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6 \* Section 1. AS 18.15 is amended by adding a new section to read:

7 ARTICLE 3A. HEPATITIS B.

8 Sec. 18.15.250. VACCINATION PROGRAM FOR VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY  
9 PERSONNEL. (a) The department shall establish a program under which hepatitis B testing and  
10 vaccination is reasonably accessible at no charge to all volunteer emergency medical and rescue  
11 personnel in the state who provide an emergency medical or rescue service primarily within an  
12 unincorporated community or within a municipality that does not provide funding for the service.

13 (b) A municipality that has the power to do so shall establish a program under which  
14 hepatitis B testing and vaccination is reasonably accessible at no charge to all law enforcement  
15 officers and all volunteer or employed emergency medical and rescue personnel who provide  
16 service to the public within the municipality. The department shall, upon request, assist a  
17 municipality in establishing a program required under this subsection.

18 (c) The Department of Public Safety shall establish a program under which hepatitis B  
19 testing and vaccination is reasonably accessible at no charge to all officers of the state troopers.  
20 The Department of Health and Social Services shall, upon request, assist the Department of  
21 Public Safety in establishing a program required under this subsection.

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(d) In this section,

(1) "emergency medical and rescue personnel" means a trauma technician, medical technician, rescuer, or paramedic;

(2) "employed" means that the person is a paid employee of a first responder service, a rescue service, an ambulance service, or a fire department that provides emergency medical or rescue services as part of its duties;

(3) "law enforcement officer" means a member of the police force of a municipality;

(4) "volunteer" means that the person is an active volunteer of a first responder service, a rescue service, an ambulance service, or a fire department that provides emergency medical or rescue services as part of its duties.

\* **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).