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**AN ACT**

Relating to issuance of a locum tenens permit for a physician or osteopath; 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 6, 2002**  
**Actual Effective Date: June 7, 2002**

AN ACT

1 Relating to issuance of a locum tenens permit for a physician or osteopath; and providing for  
2 an effective date.

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4 \* **Section 1.** AS 08.64.275(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) A member of the board or its executive secretary may grant a temporary  
6 permit to a physician or osteopath for the purpose of

7 (1) substituting for another physician or osteopath licensed in this  
8 state;

9 (2) being temporarily employed by a physician or osteopath  
10 licensed in this state while that physician or osteopath evaluates the permittee for  
11 permanent employment; or

12 (3) being temporarily employed by a hospital or community  
13 mental health center while the facility attempts to fill a vacant permanent  
14 physician or osteopath staff position with a physician or osteopath licensed in this

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1           state [. THE PERMIT IS VALID FOR 60 CONSECUTIVE DAYS. IF  
2           CIRCUMSTANCES WARRANT, AN EXTENSION OF THE PERMIT MAY BE  
3           GRANTED BY THE BOARD OR ITS DESIGNEE].

4       \* **Sec. 2.** AS 08.64.275(e) is amended to read:

5                   (c) A permit issued under this section is initially valid for 90 consecutive  
6                   calendar days. Upon request by a permittee, a permit issued under this section  
7                   shall be extended for 60 calendar days by the board or its designee if, before the  
8                   expiration of the initial 90-day permit, the permittee submits to the department a  
9                   completed application form and the fee required for licensure under this chapter,  
10                   except that the board may refuse to grant a request for an extension for the same  
11                   reasons the board may refuse to grant a license under AS 08.64.240. Permits and  
12                   extensions of permits issued to an individual under this section [TO AN  
13                   INDIVIDUAL] are not valid for more than 240 calendar days during any consecutive  
14                   24 months.

15       \* **Sec. 3.** AS 08.64.275 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

16                   (f) Notwithstanding (e) of this section, a permit issued under this section may  
17                   be extended by the board or its designee for a time period that exceeds the limit  
18                   established in (e) of this section if the board or its designee determines that the  
19                   extension is necessary in order to provide essential medical services for the protection  
20                   of public health and safety and the board has received a

- 21                                   (1) clearance report from the National Practitioner Data Bank;  
22                                   (2) physician profile from the American Medical Association or the  
23                   American Osteopathic Association;  
24                                   (3) clearance report from the United States Drug Enforcement  
25                   Administration; and  
26                                   (4) completed application form and the fee required for licensure under  
27                   this chapter.

28       \* **Sec. 4.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).