

**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 109(RES)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

**BY THE HOUSE RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**Offered: 3/9/15**

**Referred: Labor and Commerce, Judiciary**

**Sponsor(s): HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to the duties and powers of the attorney general with respect to certain**  
2 **settlements; providing exceptions for certain tax and regulatory matters; and providing**  
3 **for an effective date."**

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

5 **\* Section 1.** AS 43.05.070 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

6 (c) AS 44.23.020(i) does not apply to the approval of the attorney general  
7 under (a) and (b) of this section.

8 **\* Sec. 2.** AS 44.23.020(d) is amended to read:

9 (d) **Except as provided in (i) of this section, the** [THE] attorney general  
10 may, subject to the power of the legislature to enact laws and make appropriations,  
11 settle actions, cases, and offenses under (b) of this section.

12 **\* Sec. 3.** AS 44.23.020 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

13 (i) Before finalizing a settlement on a civil action, the attorney general shall  
14 determine that the settlement

- 1 (1) is limited to issues necessary to settle the action;  
2 (2) does not include matters unrelated to the action; and  
3 (3) does not alter constitutional, statutory, or regulatory procedures  
4 required by law.

5 (j) Subsection (i) of this section does not apply to matters under (e) of this  
6 section, or to matters related to an oil and gas pipeline or a products pipeline under the  
7 jurisdiction of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska or another regulatory agency.

8 \* **Sec. 4.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
9 read:

10 **APPLICABILITY.** AS 44.23.020(d), as amended by sec. 2 of this Act, and  
11 AS 44.23.020(i), added by sec. 3 of this Act, apply to settlements entered into by the attorney  
12 general on or after the effective date of this Act.

13 \* **Sec. 5.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).