

SENATE BILL NO. 12

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY SENATOR KAWASAKI

Introduced: 1/19/21

Referred: Prefiled

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to temporary courtesy licenses for military spouses; and relating to the**
2 **Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development."**

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 08.01.063 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

5 (e) The department shall prepare an annual report that describes, for the
6 previous fiscal year, information on temporary courtesy licenses issued under this
7 section, including

8 (1) expedited application procedures;

9 (2) progress made toward implementing regulations for the licenses,
10 changes to regulations made to accommodate the needs of military spouses, and any
11 plans for future regulations;

12 (3) the number and type of the licenses that have been issued; and

13 (4) the department's efforts to inform each board authorized to issue a
14 temporary courtesy license under this section and the military community in the state

1 about the licenses.

2 (f) The department shall submit the report prepared under (e) of this section to
3 the Joint Armed Services Committee on or before the first day of March each year. In
4 addition, the department shall consolidate the two most recent reports and submit a
5 biennial report to the legislature on or before the first day of March during the first
6 regular session of each legislature. The department shall deliver a copy of the biennial
7 report to the senate secretary and the chief clerk of the house of representatives and
8 notify the legislature that the report is available.

9 (g) The department shall annually produce and distribute to each board
10 authorized to issue a temporary courtesy license under this section informational
11 materials for the purpose of improving the board's knowledge of the licenses, the
12 application process, and best practices in providing applicant support. The department
13 shall encourage the boards to designate a single employee to serve as the point of
14 contact for public information and inquiries related to temporary courtesy licenses for
15 military spouses.