

SENATE BILL NO. 198

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY SENATOR DYSON

Introduced: 1/19/10

Referred: Health and Social Services, Judiciary

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to criminal and civil liability for failure to report certain child abuse or**
2 **neglect."**

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 47.17.068 is amended to read:

5 **Sec. 47.17.068. Penalty for failure to report; civil liability.** A person who
6 fails to comply with the provisions of AS 47.17.020 or 47.17.023, and who knew or
7 **reasonably** should have known that the circumstances gave rise to the need for a
8 report, is

9 **(1)** guilty of a class A misdemeanor;

10 **(2) civilly liable for damages proximately caused by the failure.**