

HOUSE CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 43(JUD)
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/10/10

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): SENATORS MENARD, Egan, Hoffman, Paskvan, McGuire, Meyer, Stedman, Olson, Davis, Dyson, Coghill, Wagoner, Kookesh, Stevens

REPRESENTATIVES Kerttula, Muñoz

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act adding a second verse to the official Alaska state song."**

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

3 * **Section 1.** AS 44.09.040 is amended to read:

4 **Sec. 44.09.040. State song.** The song "Alaska's Flag," with music composed
5 by Elinor Dusenbury and words to the first verse by Marie Drake and words to the
6 second verse by Carol Beery Davis, is the official song of the state. The words of the
7 official song are as follows:

Alaska's Flag

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9 Eight stars of gold on a field of blue -
10 Alaska's flag. May it mean to you
11 The blue of the sea, the evening sky,
12 The mountain lakes, and the flow'rs nearby;
13 The gold of the early sourdough's dreams,
14 The precious gold of the hills and streams;
15 The brilliant stars in the northern sky,
16 The "Bear" - the "Dipper" - and, shining high,

1 The great North Star with its steady light,
 2 Over land and sea a beacon bright.
 3 Alaska's flag - to Alaskans dear,
 4 The simple flag of a last frontier.

5
 6 **A native lad chose our Dipper's stars**
 7 **for Alaska's flag that there be no bars**
 8 **among our cultures. Be it known**
 9 **through years our natives' past has grown**
 10 **to share our treasures, hand in hand,**
 11 **to keep Alaska our Great Land.**
 12 **We love the northern midnight sky,**
 13 **our mountains, lakes and the streams nearby;**
 14 **Our Great North Star with its steady light**
 15 **will guide our cultures clear and bright**
 16 **with Nature's flag to Alaskans dear -**
 17 **The simple flag of a last Frontier.**

18 * **Sec. 2.** AS 44.09.040 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

19 (b) A copy of "Alaska's Flag" produced for public use must have the following
 20 attribution and notice: "copyright University of Alaska Foundation, nonprofit use
 21 permitted, all other rights reserved."