

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:

8 Alaska's Flag
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.

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 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."