

**CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 138(L&C)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 3/20/09

Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): SENATORS MEYER, Stevens, Huggins, Olson, McGuire, Thomas, Menard, Paskvan, Wagoner, Davis, Kookesh, Therriault, Dyson, Ellis, French, Wielechowski, Egan

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to a corporation income tax credit for contributions by a person  
2 owning or operating a commercial passenger vessel to a qualified trade association that  
3 was awarded a contract by the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic  
4 Development, and used for planning and executing a destination tourism marketing  
5 campaign."

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

7 \* **Section 1.** AS 43.20 is amended by adding a new section to article 1 to read:

8 **Sec. 43.20.047. Tourism marketing tax credit.** (a) A person owning or  
9 operating a commercial passenger vessel in the state is entitled to a credit against the  
10 tax due under this chapter for a cash contribution

11 (1) accepted by the qualified trade association that was awarded a  
12 contract under AS 44.33.125(a);

13 (2) used for the destination tourism marketing campaign that was

1 planned and executed under the contract issued under AS 44.33.125(a); and

2 (3) not used to provide the person making the contribution with a  
3 direct or tangible benefit.

4 (b) The credit in (a) of this section may not be less than zero and may not  
5 exceed the difference between the tax liability for the person owning or operating a  
6 commercial passenger vessel in the state determined under AS 43.20.011(e) in  
7 conjunction with AS 43.20.021(h) and (i) and the tax liability for the person owning or  
8 operating a commercial passenger vessel in the state determined under  
9 AS 43.20.011(e) in conjunction with AS 43.20.021 as that section read on  
10 December 16, 2006.

11 (c) A credit or portion of a credit under this section may not be used to reduce  
12 a person's total tax liability under this chapter for a calendar year below zero, and any  
13 unused credit or portion of a credit not used under this section may not be applied in a  
14 subsequent calendar year.

15 (d) In this section, "commercial passenger vessel" has the meaning given in  
16 AS 43.52.295.

17 \* **Sec. 2.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
18 read:

19 **APPLICABILITY.** AS 43.20.047, added by sec. 1 of this Act, applies to cash  
20 contributions accepted and used after June 30, 2009, for the purposes described in  
21 AS 43.20.047(a), added by sec. 1 of this Act.