

**CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 19(CRA)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Offered: 2/6/09

Referred: State Affairs, Judiciary

Sponsor(s): SENATORS FRENCH, Ellis, Therriault

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to complaints concerning peace officers and to notification to persons**  
2 **filing complaints concerning peace officers."**

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

4 **\* Section 1.** AS 18.65 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 **Article 1A. Complaints Concerning State Peace Officers.**

6 **Sec. 18.65.120. Complaints against peace officers; notification to**  
7 **complainants.** The Department of Public Safety shall provide procedures for

8 (1) filing complaints against peace officers employed by the  
9 department; the department may provide in the procedures that a person may receive  
10 the notifications available in (2) of this section only if the person provides at least a  
11 brief summary of the facts giving rise to the complaint and a statement that the person  
12 believes that the summary and complaint are true and acknowledges that false  
13 statements are punishable as unsworn falsification in the second degree; and

14 (2) notifying the complainant of

1 (A) the status or completion of the investigation; and

2 (B) whether the complaint was found to be valid.

3 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 39.25.080 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

4 (f) Disclosures made to a complainant under AS 18.65.120 are not  
5 confidential under this section.