

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 107(JUD)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Offered: 5/2/24

Referred: Judiciary

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES MCCABE, Tomaszewski

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the definition of 'person' in Alaska Statutes; relating to criminal law**
2 **definitions; and providing for an effective date."**

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

4 *** Section 1.** AS 01.10.060(a)(8) is amended to read:

5 (8) "person" includes a corporation, company, partnership, firm,
6 association, organization, business trust, or society, as well as a natural person **or a**
7 **human entity that has the moral right of self-determination; "person" does not**
8 **include an environmental element, artificial intelligence, animal, or inanimate**
9 **object;**

10 *** Sec. 2.** AS 11.81.900(b)(47) is amended to read:

11 (47) "person" means a natural person **or a human entity that has the**
12 **moral right of self-determination** and, when appropriate, an organization,
13 government, or governmental instrumentality; **"person" does not include an**
14 **environmental element, artificial intelligence, animal, or inanimate object;**

1 * **Sec. 3.** AS 11.81.900(b) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

2 (69) "life" means the property or quality that distinguishes a living
3 human organism from a dead organism or inanimate matter and that is manifested in
4 the function of a metabolism, growth, or reproduction, a response to stimuli, or
5 adaptation to the environment, each of which originates within the organism.

6 * **Sec. 4.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
7 read:

8 APPLICABILITY. AS 11.81.900(b)(47), as amended by sec. 2 of this Act, and
9 AS 11.81.900(b)(69), enacted by sec. 3 of this Act, apply to offenses committed on or after
10 the effective date of this Act.

11 * **Sec. 5.** This Act takes effect July 1, 2024.