



# Alaska State Legislature

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## Fact Sheet for: Senate Bill 137

**Short Title:** EVICTING INSTITUTIONAL PROPERTY USERS

### Summary:

- Clarifies that certain public and private institutions which provide housing are exempt from the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act.
- Clarifies that a court order is not required to evict people from institutions such as universities, hospitals, nursing homes, churches and counseling centers that provide housing, but are not in the business of long term residential housing.

### Benefits:

- Saves an institution the time, cost and effort of going through court to evict someone from property the institution owns.

### Background:

- Current law requires institutions to obtain a court order before evicting a person living in institutional residences. For example, the University of Alaska spends thousands of dollars in court costs obtaining a court order so expelled students can be evicted. This is an unnecessary financial burden for the university and other institutions like hospitals, counseling centers and nursing homes. SB 137 adds a new section to the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act that lifts the requirement for institutions to obtain a court order to evict someone from the residence.