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Fact Sheet for: Senate Bill 16

Short Title: POWERS/DUTIES DOTPF/TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Summary:

- Deletes the requirement that the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities participate in setting thermal and lighting energy standards.
- Includes other statutory clean-up language requested by DOT&PF.
- Deletes the requirement that the DOT&PF conduct a cost benefit study for projects where such studies are not warranted.

Benefits:

- Allows DOT&PF to proceed in a more timely manner with projects for which a cost benefit study is not required.
- Updates DOT&PF statutes to respond to circumstances as they actually exist today.

Background:

- Opponents of DOT&PF projects often manipulate obsolete statutes, such as a requirement that the department conduct a cost-benefits analysis, to halt construction of many projects vital to the health and wellbeing of Alaska residents. This has cost the state valuable time and money in litigation while significantly increasing project costs. SB 16 eliminates this requirement and cleans up other statutory language no longer appropriate to DOT&PF's functions.