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COVID-19: Alaska

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Restrictions on Private Business Operations

- The State of Alaska has issued a statewide order closing all non-essential businesses. The order will be reevaluated April 11.
- Work from home as much as possible other than “minimum basic operations”
- The City of Anchorage has mandated that all dentists, veterinarians, optometrists and other health care providers cancel or postpone all non-urgent or non-emergency procedures to safeguard supply of PPE
- Closures: Theaters, Gyms, Bingo Halls, Personal care services (hair salons, nail salons, barber shops, tattoo shops, massage therapy locations, tanning facilities).
- On-site dining prohibited in all restaurants and bars

Health Care Provisions

- The Governor has issued a number of mandates related to health care.
- All providers, hospitals and surgical centers are required to postpone or cancel all non-urgent or elective procedures for three months

Support for Impacted Businesses

- The Governor announced a \$1 billion economic stabilization plan, but the details are still being worked out.
- Support for Impacted Workers
- The Governor has taken a number of measures to help workers, small businesses, renters, and homeowners.
- Anchorage will not allow utilities to be turned off or evictions

Travel Restrictions and Advisories

- Advisory has been issued to ease all nonessential travel.
- Intrastate Travel is prohibited unless it is to support critical infrastructure or for critical personal needs.
- Mandatory 14-day quarantine for anyone traveling to Alaska

Current Status of Legislature

- The Legislature is not in session. A special session may be called for early summer.

State and Local Tax

- Anchorage property tax bills will be delayed at least a month
- Anchorage discussing suspending property taxes for landlords

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