



**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
& WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

**Alaska Workforce Investment Board
Legislative Committee Report
May 21, 2008**

The Legislative Committee has met two times in conjunction with the Policy and Planning/ Assessment Evaluation committee since the AWIB meeting in February, 2008. The Legislative Committee and interested board members visited the Legislature to lobby for bills pertaining to AWIB while in Juneau for the February board meeting.

Paula Scavera provided a legislative update at the combined meeting of the Policy and Planning/ Assessment and Evaluation Committee and the Legislative Committee on May 6, 2008.

- **Extending eligibility for officers** - Paula suggested taking the statute and marking up with suggested changes for extending the eligibility for who can run for office.
- **SB 124 TVEP** - Started as SB 124 but moved to HB2. At the request of the Senate President language was added that there has to be a performance report no later than November of each year. Entities will be required to provide specific information to the Department.
- **HB 226 STEP** - The STEP program was extended for two years until 2010.

There were several Bills passed during the legislative session which have an impact on the Department of Labor and Workforce Development. Paula Scavera will present a detailed report at the May AWIB meeting.