

Alaska Pay Equity

<u>Statute</u>

<u>Alaska Human Rights Law, AK Stat. 18.80.220(a)(5)</u>

Classes protected

• Sex

Key language on pay discrimination

• Illegal for an employer to "discriminate in the payment of wages as between the sexes, or to employ a female in an occupation in this state at a salary or wage rate less than that paid to a male employee for work of comparable character or work in the same operation, business, or type of work in the same locality."

Exceptions for pay disparities (including affirmative defenses)

• May provide greater health and retirement benefits to employees who have a spouse or dependent children.

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