

# ***Agreement reached with commission***

The Department of Public Safety reached an agreement with the Human Rights Commission which lifted the recent freeze on hiring of commissioned officers for the State Troopers and the Fish and Wildlife Protection Division.

Commissioner of Public Safety Richard L. Burton stated that he was extremely pleased that an agreement was arrived at without having to go to court and creating an additional hardship on the public due to the lack of adequate enforcement officers.

He also stated that the agreement was one of harmony and should provide for improvement in the Department of Public Safety's recruitment, hiring, and retention of qualified personnel from throughout the state, regardless of their sex or race.

Particularly significant is the fact that this should enlarge the base from which recruiting is done.

Qualified applicants from women and minority groups are strongly encouraged to contact the closest office of the Alaska Department of Public Safety for additional information concerning employment as a commissioned officer.