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TO: Members of the House State Affairs Committee

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RE: Explanation of changes in HB 4

The original version of HB 4 required the Chief Justice of the Alaska Supreme Court to populate a list of potential Personnel Board appointees from which the Governor would choose the eventual nominee. The Sponsor Substitute removes the Chief Justice from the equation at the Judiciary's urging. Instead, the sponsor substitute implements the same process for filling Personnel Board vacancies that is currently used to fill open positions on the Alaska Public Offices Commission. The proposed committee substitute addresses the transition from the old Personnel Board structure to the new one proposed in HB 4. Current members of the board would not have to be automatically removed once HB 4 takes effect, nor would the entire board have to be replaced if a third party won or came in second in a gubernatorial election.