

**HOUSE BILL NO. 107**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Introduced: 2/13/15

Referred: Education

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to the composition of the Board of Regents of the University of  
2 Alaska."

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 \* **Section 1.** AS 14.40.130(a) is repealed and reenacted to read:

5 (a) The Board of Regents consists of the following members:

6 (1) one resident of the Fairbanks North Star Borough;

7 (2) one resident of the Municipality of Anchorage;

8 (3) one resident of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough;

9 (4) one resident of the Kenai Peninsula Borough;

10 (5) one resident of the City and Borough of Juneau;

11 (6) one resident of a community that is not described in (1) - (5) of this  
12 subsection and is not connected by road or rail to Anchorage or Fairbanks;

13 (7) one student who satisfies the requirements under (b) of this section;

14 and

1 (8) four members at large who are residents of the state.

2 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 14.40.130 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

3 (f) Each member must be a citizen of the United States.

4 (g) The governor may not appoint a person to fill a position under (a)(1) - (6)  
5 of this section unless the person meets the residency requirement for the position for at  
6 least one year before the date of appointment. Board membership terminates if a  
7 regent appointed to fill a position under (a)(1) - (6) of this section ceases to meet the  
8 residency requirement for the position during the regent's term of office. The governor  
9 shall appoint a successor under AS 14.40.150 within 60 days after a vacancy.

10 \* **Sec. 3.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
11 read:

12 **TRANSITION.** Notwithstanding AS 14.40.130(a), as repealed and reenacted by sec. 1  
13 of this Act, and AS 14.40.130(f) and (g), added by sec. 2 of this Act, a person who is a  
14 member of the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska on the effective date of this Act  
15 may serve the remainder of the member's term. The governor shall make appointments under  
16 AS 14.40.150 to fill vacancies and expired terms on the Board of Regents that occur on or  
17 after the effective date of this Act in accordance with AS 14.40.130(a), as repealed and  
18 reenacted by sec. 1 of this Act, and AS 14.40.130(f) and (g), added by sec. 2 of this Act.