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Alaska Labor Relations Agency

Board: Alaska Labor Relations Agency

Board identification number: 055

Department: LABOR

Authority: AS 23.05.360

Status: Active

Sunset date:

Requirements: Legislative Confirmation and Financial Disclosure

Prohibitions: Not more than three members of the agency may be of the same political party.

Term: 3 Years

Chair: Governor selects from public members.

Description: 6 members of the agency are appointed by the Governor: two members must have a background in management, two members must have a background in labor, and two members from the general public. All must have relevant experience in labor relations matters. Members serve in 2 3-member panels. Governor appoints the chair from public members, and the chair holds office at pleasure of the Governor.

Function: Serve as the labor relations agency under the Public Employment Relations Act; serve as the railroad labor relations agency for the Alaska Railroad under the Alaska Railroad Corporation Act.

Special facts: Members of the agency may be removed by the Governor only for cause. The agency must submit an annual report on labor relations problems to the Governor and the Legislature. Two members of a panel constitute a quorum for hearing cases and four members constitute a quorum for transacting business other than hearing cases. The Railroad Labor Relations Agency, as described in AS 42.40.730 was repealed and reenacted, effective 7/1/90, to read that the Alaska Labor Relations Agency, established in AS 23.05.360, is the sole railroad labor relations agency.

Compensation: Standard Travel and Per Diem

Meetings: 15-20 days per year. There are two semi-annual meetings (typically spring and fall), and hearings throughout the year held statewide.