

**HOUSE BILL NO. 309**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE

Introduced: 3/20/20

Referred:

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1   **"An Act relating to the procedure for confirmation of the governor's appointments; and**  
2   **providing for an effective date."**

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

4       \* **Section 1.** The uncoded law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section  
5   to read:

6           TIME FOR CONFIRMING GOVERNOR APPOINTMENTS. (a) Notwithstanding  
7   AS 39.05.080, for appointments presented by the governor during the Second Regular Session  
8   of the Thirty-First Alaska State Legislature,

9               (1) the legislature shall, in joint session assembled, act on the appointments at  
10   any time by confirming or declining to confirm the appointments by a majority vote of all of  
11   the members on the appointments presented; and

12              (2) if the legislature does not act to confirm or decline to confirm an  
13   appointment, the failure of the legislature to act to confirm or decline to confirm an  
14   appointment presented is not tantamount to a declination of confirmation on the day the

1 Second Regular Session of the Thirty-First Alaska State Legislature adjourns.

2 (b) After the legislature meets in joint session assembled to act on the appointments  
3 presented by the governor during, and after adjournment of, the Second Regular Session of  
4 the Thirty-First Alaska State Legislature, the failure of the legislature to act to confirm or  
5 decline to confirm an appointment presented will be tantamount to a declination of  
6 confirmation on the day the joint session adjourns.

7 \* **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).