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SB 190 Ver. W- Sponsor Statement

Extending the Regulatory Commission of Alaska

"An Act extending the termination date of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska; and providing for an effective date."

The Senate Bill 190 extends the termination date of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska (RCA) until June 30, 2030. The bill also amends AS 42.05.381(e), to include refuse utilities to the section of law that provides for a simplified rate filing procedure and repeals a requirement for the legislative audit division to conduct an audit every two years of information found in the annual reports regarding compliance by the Regulatory Commission of Alaska.

The Regulatory Commission of Alaska is an independent, quasi-judicial regulatory body that was formed by the legislature in 1999 to replace the Alaska Public Utilities Commission. The RCA is charged with regulating public utilities and pipeline services. Regulation is accomplished by certifying qualified providers and ensuring they provide safe and adequate services and facilities at just and reasonable rates, terms, and conditions.

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