## SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 182(RES)

### IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

## TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

### BY THE SENATE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Offered: 3/12/98 Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES WILLIAMS, James

SENATOR Taylor

3

#### A BILL

## FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to the qualifications of the state forester."

\* **Section 1.** AS 41.17.020(b) is amended to read:

# 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

4	(b) The division shall be headed by a director who shall be the state forester,
5	appointed to the partially exempt service in accordance with law by the commissioner,
6	from a list of two or more candidates submitted by the board. The commissioner
7	shall solicit and consider recommendations of the Alaska Fire Chiefs Association
8	or successor organization when reviewing the candidates submitted by the board.

9 The commissioner may reject all candidates, in which case the board shall submit a

new list. The state forester shall  $\underline{have}$ 

11 (1) a bachelor's or higher degree in forest management and at least

12 <u>three years of field experience in forestry; or</u>

(2) at least eight years of professional work experience as a forester
[BE A NATURAL RESOURCES LAND MANAGER WITH GENERALLY
ACCEPTED EDUCATIONAL CREDENTIALS, FAMILIAR AND EXPERIENCED

HB0182D -1- SCS CSHB 182(RES)

- 1 WITH THE RENEWABLE AND NONRENEWABLE RESOURCES AND THE
- 2 VALUES OF FOREST LAND AND THE PRODUCTS, BENEFITS, AND SERVICES
- **3** OBTAINED FROM THEM].