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November 8, 1955  
to  
February 5, 1956

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

Materials in the Constitutional Convention Collection which were not microfilmed are the Minutes of the Daily Proceedings, Alaska Constitutional Convention, which were separately published by the Alaska Legislative Council in March, 1965. Also not microfilmed were miscellaneous folders of documents which appear to be duplicates or to have been done in the 1960's.

Any explanatory notes made during the 1981 preparation of the papers for microfilming have been dated. Any previous editorial notes may have been made during the organization of the papers in the 1960's.

A checklist of Committee Proposals is attached at the end of the Guide. Listed is each version of each Committee Proposal, with the date and a cross reference to the Article.

In many instances, the abbreviation C/P is used to indicate "Committee Proposal".

Committee minutes are complete in so far as copies are available. With a few exceptions, it appears that minutes were not kept of meetings after the recess, which was from the close of December 19, 1955, to the opening of the session on January 4, 1956. Except for those committees which filed amended proposals, and the General Provisions and Transitional Measures, all proposals were filed before the beginning of the recess. This probably accounts in part for the absence of minutes after the recess.

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300 PROPOSALS

300           Delegate Proposals - Original Signed Copies

300.1        Delegate Proposals - Complete Set No. 1

Committee Proposals - Complete Set of Original Proposals  
No. 1

310.01       Committee Proposals No. 1-9

310.02       Committee Proposals No. 10-17z

NOTE:   The following folders contain a copy of each version of the proposal indicated. Supplementary reports or commentaries are also included in most folders. See checklist at end of Guide to Files for title of Committee Proposals.

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Chief Clerk's File - Committee Proposals. Files contain the amendments offered in second reading, the engrossed copies, and the enrolled copy. In some cases files contain supplementary reports or commentaries.

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- 420.2 Chief Clerk's File - Article II (C/P 5)
- 420.3 Chief Clerk's File - Article III (C/P 10a)
- 420.4 Chief Clerk's File - Article IV (C/P 2)
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- 420.6 Chief Clerk's File - Article VI (C/P 14)
- 420.7 Chief Clerk's File - Article VII (C/P 7)
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- 420.11 Chief Clerk's File - Article XI (C/P 3)
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- 420.14 Chief Clerk's File - Article XIV (C/P 14)
- 420.15 Chief Clerk's File - Article XV and Ordinances (C/P 17a/b/c/z)
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- 530            Bound Ledger maintained by the Secretariat. Ledger has the record of documents numbered and reproduced by the Secretariat.
- 531            Bound ledger maintained by the Secretariat. Ledger has a record of Delegate Proposals as they were introduced.
- 532            Bound ledger maintained by the Secretariat. Ledger has a record of the reference to the Committee on Engrossment and Enrollment, and to the Committee on Style and Drafting. (Only 2 pages of the ledger used.)

CHECKLIST OF COMMITTEE PROPOSALS (Continued)

Proposal Number	Subject	Date	Article Number
10	The Executive	12/16/55	III
10a	" " Enrolled	1/12/56	
	Style & Drafting/Enrolled	1/16/56	
		1/26/56	
11	Ordinance on the First Election of the Governor and the Secretary of State	12/15/55	XV <u>1/</u>
12	General & Miscellaneous Provisions Enrolled	12/15/55	XII
	Style & Drafting/12,15, & 16	1/23/56	
	Style & Drafting/Sec. 14	1/30/56	
		2/2/56	
<u>2/</u> 14	Legislative Apportionment and Schedule Supplement	12/17/55	VI and XIV <u>3/</u>
	Enrolled	1/11/56	
	Schedule of Election Districts [revised & complete]	1/13/56	
	Style & Drafting/Legislative Apportionment	1/13/56	
	Enrolled/Schedule [only]	1/28/56	
	Style & Drafting/Schedule/Enrolled	1/29/56	
		1/30/56	
15	General & Miscellaneous Provisions (See Proposal No. 12)	1/19/56	XII
16	General & Miscellaneous Provisions (See Proposal No. 12)	1/19/56	XII
17	Schedule [Transitional Measures]	1/20/56	XV and <u>1/</u>
17b	" " " Enrolled	1/25/56	Ordinance No. 1
	Style & Drafting/Enrolled	1/28/56	
		1/31/56	
17a	Schedule [Transitional Measures] Enrolled	1/24/56	Ordinance No. 3
	Style & Drafting/Enrolled	1/31/56	
		2/2/56	
17c	Schedule [Transitional Measures] Schedule/Revised	1/26/56	Ordinance No. 2
	<u>4/</u> Style & Drafting/Second Revision	1/29/56	
	Style & Drafting/Second Revision	1/31/56	
		2/1/56	
17z	Schedule [Transitional Measures]	2/2/56	Indefinitely Postponed

1/ Changed from Article XIV in the final report.

2/ Number 13 was not assigned to a committee proposal.

3/ Changed from Article XV in the final report.

4/ Second Revision was not duplicated. See explanation in folder 410.162.



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	Style & Drafting Report of Enrolled	1/23/56	
2	The Judiciary	12/5/55	IV
	Enrolled	12/15/55	
	Style & Drafting Report of Enrolled	1/18/56	
3	Initiative, Referendum, & Recall	12/9/55	XI and XIII
	Revision and Amendment		
	Amended through Dec. 19, 1955, & still in second reading	12/19/55	
	Enrolled	1/9/56	
	Style & Drafting (Initiative etc.) Style & Drafting (Amendment etc.)	1/23/56 1/28/56	
4	Location of State Capital, and Procedure for Change Thereof	12/13/55	
5	Legislative Branch	12/14/55	II
	Enrolled	1/12/56	
	Style & Drafting/Enrolled	1/24/56	
6 6a	Local Government	12/15/55	X
	Local Government	1/18/56	
	Enrolled	1/21/56	
	Style & Drafting/Enrolled	1/30/56	
7	Preamble, Declaration of Rights, Health and Education	12/15/55	I and VII
	Enrolled	1/9/56	
	Style & Drafting (Preamble & Declaration of Rights)	1/25/56	
	Style & Drafting (Health, Educa- tion, & Welfare)	1/25/56	
8 8a	State Lands and Natural Resources	12/16/55	VIII
	" " " " "	1/16/56	
	Enrolled (date should be 1/25)	1/19/56	
	Style & Drafting/Enrolled	1/30/56	
9	Finance and Taxation	12/16/55	IX
	Enrolled	1/18/56	
	Style & Drafting/Enrolled	1/28/56	

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