HOUSE BILL NO. 69

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVES CRONK, McCabe

Introduced: 2/10/23
Referred: Education, Community and Regional Affairs

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

"An Act relating to the reclassification of first class cities as second class cities; and providing for an effective date."

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

*** Section 1.** AS 29.04 is amended by adding a new section to read:

Sec. 29.04.045. Reclassification of first class cities with less than 400 permanent residents. (a) Notwithstanding AS 29.04.040, a first class city with a population of less than 400 persons based on the most recent decennial census conducted by the United States Bureau of the Census may be reclassified as a second class city if the council submits a written request to the Local Boundary Commission.

(b) If the Local Boundary Commission verifies that the population of the city is less than 400 persons based on the most recent decennial census conducted by the United States Bureau of the Census, the Local Boundary Commission shall, within 10 days after receiving the request, notify the council that the city is eligible for reclassification as a second class city.

(c) After the Local Boundary Commission notifies the council of the city's eligibility for reclassification, the council has 30 days to reject the reclassification. If the council rejects the reclassification, the council may not petition the department for reclassification for a period of one year after transmitting the rejection to the Local Boundary Commission. If the council does not reject the reclassification, the reclassification takes effect 60 days after the date of notification of eligibility.

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