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Section 1 – Amends AS. 33.16.020 (a) to expand the Alaska Board of Parole from five to seven members. As in current statute, these members are appointed by the Governor and subject to legislative confirmation.

Section 2 – Amends AS 33.16.020 (b) by applying term limits of two five-year terms to members, replacing current statute which states that members shall serve staggered five-year terms, until their successors are appointed.

Section 3 - Modifies AS 33.16.030 selection criteria for board members. Section 3 creates specific seats on the board, requiring one member to be a licensed physician; one to be a victim of a crime, family member of a victim, or a member of a crime victim's advocacy group; one member to have experience in drug or alcohol addiction recovery support; and one member to be part of a federally recognized tribe in the state.

Section 4 – Amends AS 33.16.030 (c) by adding the requirement that not more than three of the board members may be current or former employees of a correctional institution.

Section 5 – Amends AS 33.16.030 by adding a definitions section to include definitions for designated seats on the Board of Parole. The definition of "federally recognized tribe" at AS 23.20.520 is as follows: "a tribe that is recognized by the United States Secretary of the Interior to exist as an Indian tribe under 25 U.S.C. 5131 (Federally Recognized Indian Tribe List Act of 1994); and includes any subdivision, subsidiary, or business enterprise wholly owned by a federally recognized tribe"

Section 6 – Adds a new section of statute at 33.16.280 to require an annual report on Board of Parole operations and parole decisions.



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Section 7 - Uncodified law specifying that a member of the board who has previously served two or more terms may finish their term but shall not be reappointed.

Section 8 – Establishes an effective date of January 2026.

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