

## ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

# REPRESENTATIVE JIM COLVER DISTRICT 9

### HB 322

"AN ACT LIMITING EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES IN THE EXEMPT SERVICE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

#### SECTIONAL ANALYSIS

## Section 1

Section 1 requires that a person who holds a position in the exempt service may not be paid more in total base salary (on a monthly or equivalent annual basis) than the Governor of the State of Alaska. The Governor's total salary as of 2-20-2016 is \$145,000 per year.

There are several subcategories and specific positions in the exempt service which will not be covered by this limitation:

- The president of the U. of Alaska,
- The president of the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation (AGDC) and up to three officers or employees designated by the AGDC board,
- Petroleum engineers and geologists employed by DNR,
- Justices, judges, and magistrates,
- Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation (APFC) officers and employees, and
- The State Medical Examiner

Note: The Governor's salary and total compensation (salary plus benefits) is currently recommended by the State Officers Compensation Commission. This bill would not affect that process (See AS Section 39.23.500. through Sec. 39.23.599.)

Section 1 contains a provision for the Governor, as the leader of the Executive branch, to determine that it is in the best interest to the State of Alaska to pay a higher total base salary. The Governor may deliver a report with descriptions and recommended salary to the Legislature for the purpose of appropriations and approvals.

# Section 2

Amends Alaska Statutes to add these provisions to AS 39.25.110. Exempt Service.

# Section 3

EFFECTIVE DATE CLAUSE The Act will take effect July 1, 2016.