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House Bill 183

Sponsor Statement — Version B

“An Act renaming the Alaska Criminal Justice Commission the Alaska Criminal Justice Data Analysis Commission; relating to the membership of the Alaska Criminal Justice Data Analysis Commission; relating to the powers and duties of the Alaska Criminal Justice Data Analysis Commission; extending the termination date of the Alaska Criminal Justice Data Analysis Commission; relating to the duties of the Judicial Council; providing for an effective date by amending the effective date of secs. 41 and 73, ch. 1, 4SSLA 2017; and providing for an effective date by repealing the effective date of sec. 74, ch. 1, 4SSLA 2017.”

The Alaska Criminal Justice Commission is scheduled to sunset beginning June 30, 2021 and conclude its affairs by June 30, 2022. In accordance with the recommendation of the Legislative Auditor, rather than extend the commission in its current form, House Bill 183 maintains the commission’s data collection and analysis functions and modifies its recommendation functions.

House Bill 183 accomplishes the following:

- 1.) Renames the Alaska Criminal Justice Commission the Alaska Criminal Justice Data Analysis Commission.
- 2.) Modifies the membership of the commission.
- 3.) Amends and restates the powers and duties of the commission to include:
 - Data analysis, research, and reporting on all aspects of Alaska’s criminal justice system, including state laws, public safety, rehabilitation, crime and incarceration rates, the needs of victims, and other factors set forth in the Alaska Constitution;
 - Receiving data related to the criminal justice system from the Alaska Department of Corrections, Department of Public Safety, Department of Law, and the Alaska Court System;
 - Identifying areas for improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the criminal justice system;
 - Recommending expenditures from the Recidivism Reduction Fund;
 - Making other recommendations and providing analysis if requested by the Legislature, the Executive, or the Judiciary; and
 - Issuing an annual report.
- 4.) Extends the termination date of the Alaska Criminal Justice Data Analysis Commission to June 30, 2029.