

Alaska Legislative Publications Collection

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Historical Note

Alaska was a United States Territory between 1913-1958 and became a state in 1959. Throughout its history, starting in 1913, Alaska's legislature has operated on a two-year cycle. There were 23 Territorial Legislatures, and the First State Legislature served 1959-1960.

Scope and Content

This collection of publications contains Alaska's Legislative history. The publications date from the current legislature back to the beginning of the first Alaska Territorial Legislature. Records prior to 1913 can be found in Federal repositories.

Arrangement

The print versions of the publications in this collection are organized by year. Online, the material has been organized more granularly by daily proceedings.

Administrative Information

Many of the publications in this collection are produced by the Alaska Legislative Affairs Information Office, the Alaska State Legislature Ethics Committee, or the Legislature itself.

Print material cannot be checked out from the library. Please contact the Library for PDF copies of material not available online.

Copies of the publications in this collection can also be found at other repositories including the Alaska State Library and Archives.

Inventory

Alaska Constitutional Convention Files

The Alaska Constitutional Convention was held at the University of Alaska Fairbanks from November 8, 1955 to February 6, 1956, during which delegates drafted the state's constitution.

Print Collection	Online Access
Parts 1-7	Constitutional Convention Files Online

Alaska Statutes

1996+ paper-bound *Alaska Statutes (AS)* sets are reprinted by *LexisNexis* every 2 years, updated in the intervening year by a one-volume supplement. AS sets prior to 1996 were printed in Title

or Supplement pamphlets made for custom binders and updated each year by replacing the supplements and a few titles. The online edition of the Statutes only contains the current statutes and is updated annually.

Print Collection	Online Access
1964+	BASIS (Only Current Edition)

House & Senate Daily Journals

The journals are published every two years. During the Territorial years, the journal spines were only printed with the date of the first year of each legislature. The one exception is 1945-1946 when volumes were printed for both years. Starting in 1959, the journal spines are printed with a two-year date range and the number of the legislature.

Print Collection	Online Access
1913 +	Infobases (1987-2020) BASIS (1993-Present) <i>Digitized but not available online yet:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>House Journals: 1957-1961, 1963-1964, 1980-86</i> • <i>Senate Journals: 1957-1968, 1970-1986</i>

Session Laws & Resolves

Print Collection	Online Access
1913+	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Digitized but not available online yet: 1913-1980</i> • Infobases (1981-2020) • BASIS (1993-Present)

Final Status of Bills & Resolutions

The printing of *Final Status* volumes began in 1975. Prior to the 1975 start of *Final Status* volume printing, the *Legislative Reporting Service* provides the only index/subject access to bills from 1959-1974.

Print Collection	Online Access
1975+	BASIS (1993-Present)

Bill History

The printing of *Bill History* volumes began in 1975. Prior to that, the information contained in Bill Histories can be found in indexes in the back of the daily House & Senate Journals. The organization of the online BASIS database is similar to the Bill Histories, in that each bill has its own “Bill History/Action” page.

Print Collection	Online Access
1975+	BASIS (1993-Present)

Summary of Alaska Legislation

The *Summaries of Alaska Legislation* are compiled by the Legislative Affairs Agency Legal Services and printed annually. Early editions of the publication were compiled by the Legislative Council.

Print Collection	Online Access
1955+	2015+

Handbook of Alaska Territorial/State Government

Editions of the *Handbook of Alaska Territorial Government* (1954-1957), which became the *Handbook of Alaska State Government* (1960+), have been printed sporadically over the years. The publication was first compiled by the Alaska Legislative Council and then taken over by the Legislative Affairs Agency.

Print Collection	Online Access
1954-2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Current Edition• 2011+ (Wayback Machine)

Standards of Conduct

The *Standards of Conduct* publication is created by the Alaska Legislative Ethics Committee.

Print Collection	Online Access
2024-2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Current Edition• 2022+ (Wayback Machine)

Decisions and Advisory Opinions Rendered by the Committee

This publication is printed once or twice per year by the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics.

Print Collection	Online Access
1984-2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Advisory Opinions Search - Searchable database of Advisory Opinions from 1984 to present

Summary of Alaska Statute References

Print Collection	Online Access
1957-1984	

Directories of State Officials

The Directories collection contains three different publications plus two standalone volumes. The current directories are compiled by the Legislative Information Office.

These various publications contain legislator, staff, committee, and executive branch employee contact lists, legislature seating charts, and legislator headshots.

Print Collection	Online Access
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Know Your Legislatures 1965-1981</i> • <i>Alaska State Legislature Roster of Members 1913-2013</i> • <i>Alaska State Government Miscellaneous Directories Lists and Information</i> (Vol. 1-9) 1959-1986 • <i>Alaska Directories of State Officials</i> (1987+) • <i>Alaska State Legislature Directories and Lists</i> (1987+) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current Alaska Directory of State Officials • Staff Directories 2015+ (Wayback Machine) • Current Alaska Legislator Staff List • Legislator Staff List 2021+ (Wayback Machine) • Current Senate Seating Chart • Current House Seating Chart • Senate Seating Chart 2021+ (Wayback Machine) • House Seating Chart 2021+ (Wayback Machine) • Seating Charts 1962-2017
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Manual of Legislative Drafting

This publication is prepared by the Legislative Affairs Agency.

Print Collection	Online Access
1961+	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current Edition • 2023+ (Wayback Machine)

Legislative Oversight of the Administration of Statutes / Report Examining Court Decisions and Opinions of the Attorney General Construing Alaska Statutes

These reports contain lists of Alaska Statutes with Delayed Repeals or Delayed Amendments and Examine Court Decisions and Opinions of the Attorney General Construing Alaska Statutes. The publication is prepared by the Legislative Affairs Agency's Division of Legal and Research Services.

Print Collection	Online Access
1963+	2019 , 2020 , 2021 , 2022 , 2023 , 2024

Uniform Rules

This publication is prepared by the Legislative Affairs Agency.

Print Collection	Online Access
1955-2018	Current Edition