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AN ACT

Relating to the establishment of the Alaska Commission on the Status of Women, and defining the Commission's powers and duties; and providing for an effective date.

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

* Section 1. AS 44.19 is amended by adding new sections to read:

Sec. 44.19.650. CREATION. There is created in the office of the governor the Alaska Commission on the Status of Women.

Sec. 44.19.660. COMPOSITION. The Alaska Commission on the Status of Women consists of 11 members.

Sec. 44.19.670. APPOINTMENT. The members shall be appointed by the governor from among citizens of Alaska without regard to sex. In making the appointments, due consideration shall be given to the recommendations made by civic organizations, women's organizations, educational and vocational groups, employer groups, labor unions, church groups, and other groups having an interest in the status of women. In making the appointments, due consideration shall be given to having state-wide geographical

representation on the commission.

Sec. 44.19.680. TERMS OF OFFICE. The term of office of each member shall be three years; provided, however, that of the members first appointed, three shall be appointed for terms of one year, four for terms of two years, and four for terms of three years. All vacancies shall be filled for the balance of the unexpired term in the same manner as original appointments.

Sec. 44.19.690. COMPENSATION. The members of the commission shall not receive any compensation for their services, but they shall receive the same travel pay and per diem as state officials and employees. Travel pay and per diem shall be limited to not more than two annual meetings of the commission.

Sec. 44.19.700, CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN. The governor shall designate a chairman and vice-chairman from the members of the commission to serve as such at the pleasure of the governor. The chairman shall be the chief executive officer of the council.

Sec. 44.19.710. DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION. The duties of the commission shall be

- (1) to explore, on a state-wide basis, the economic, social, political, and legal problems of women;
- (2) to survey the public and private employment policies and practices within the state;
- (3) to study state labor laws dealing with hours, wages, and working conditions of women;
- (4) to study the legal treatment of women in regard to political and civil rights;

(5) to study state social insurance and tax laws as they affect the interests of women;

(6) to survey policies and practices with respect to education, counseling, and job training of women; and

(7) to suggest new and expanded services for women as wives, mothers, and workers.

Sec. 44.19.720. POWERS OF COMMISSION. The commission is authorized and empowered to hold public and private hearings; to enter into contracts, within the limit of funds made available therefor, with individuals, organizations, and institutions for services furthering the objectives of the commission; to accept gifts, contributions, and bequests of unrestricted funds from individuals, foundations, corporations, and other organizations or institutions for the purpose of furthering the objectives of the commission. The commission may request and shall receive from any department, division, board, bureau, commission, or agency of the state such assistance and data as will enable it properly to carry out its powers and duties herein. The council is authorized to receive state and federal funds made available for its purposes.

Sec. 44.19.730. POWERS OF CHAIRMAN. The chairman may employ experts and other employees who may be needed and fix their compensation within the amounts made available for this purpose.

Sec. 44.19.740. REPORTS. The commission shall make an annual report to the governor.

* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without such approval.