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AN ACT

Relating to a Mental Health Advisory Council; and providing for an effective date.

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

* Section 1. AS 47.30.605 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

Sec. 47.30.605. MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL. (a) There is created a Mental Health Advisory Council appointed by the governor to advise and assist the department in initiating and implementing mental health services. The council consists of 12 appointed voting members who are interested and knowledgeable in mental health. The composition of the council is as provided in the federal Community Mental Health Act (P.L. 94-63).

(b) The council shall

(1) advise the division on the state mental health plans before implementation of these plans;

(2) periodically review all mental health services in the state, reports of which shall be prepared and submitted to the governor, the legislature, the department, and the Statewide Health Coordinating Council;

(3) conduct independent investigations and studies as may be necessary;

(4) recommend regulations, standards and legislation for the administration of community and institutional mental health services;

(5) encourage coordination of all mental health services on a regional basis to insure nonduplication, nonfragmentation, and efficiency in the delivery of

services.

(6) act as a subcommittee of the Statewide Health Coordinating Council in the area of mental health to assist that council in meeting its responsibilities under federal and state law.

(c) The council shall meet at the call of the chairman but shall meet at least once quarterly.

(d) Members of the council are not entitled to a salary, but are entitled to per diem, reimbursement for travel, and other expenses authorized by law for other boards.

* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.070(c).