

**HOUSE BILL NO. 42**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Referred: State Affairs, Labor and Commerce, Finance

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to the location of the convening of the legislature in regular  
2 session; and providing for an effective date."

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

4 \* **Section 1.** AS 24.05.090 is amended to read:

5           **Sec. 24.05.090. Regular sessions.** The legislature shall convene **in the**  
6           **Municipality of Anchorage** [AT THE CAPITAL] each year on the second Monday  
7           in January at 10:00 a.m.; however, following a gubernatorial election year, the  
8           legislature shall convene on the third Tuesday in January at 10:00 a.m. **The legislative**  
9           **council shall arrange for an appropriate location in Anchorage for each regular**  
10           **session.** Except as provided in this section, each legislature shall have a duration of  
11           two years and shall consist of a "First Regular Session," which shall meet in the odd-  
12           numbered years, and a "Second Regular Session," which shall meet in the even-  
13           numbered years, and any special session or sessions that the governor or legislature  
14           may find necessary to call.

1 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 24.10.030 is amended to read:

2           **Sec. 24.10.030. Chief clerk and senate secretary.** Each house shall select  
 3 from outside its membership a person of known stenographic and administrative ability  
 4 to serve as chief administrative clerk; a chief clerk in the house of representatives and  
 5 a secretary in the senate. When nominated and elected in conformity with the uniform  
 6 rules, they continue to serve for the duration of the legislature at the pleasure of the  
 7 house to which assigned. Pending the organization of a new legislature, they may  
 8 continue to serve at the request and direction of the legislative council until their  
 9 respective houses formally reappoint or replace them. The chief clerk and senate  
 10 secretary are responsible for the performance of duties provided for by law, the  
 11 uniform rules, and orders of the house. They may be requested to report to the  
 12 legislative council for duty for a period not to exceed two weeks immediately  
 13 preceding the convening of the session and shall remain at the **location of the session**  
 14 [CAPITAL] until the completion of their work **relating to that session as** [IS]  
 15 determined by the director of the council.

16 \* **Sec. 3.** AS 24.10.130(a) is amended to read:

17           (a) A member of the legislature is entitled to reimbursement for the expenses  
 18 of moving between the member's place of residence and the **Municipality of**  
 19 **Anchorage** [CAPITAL CITY] for the purpose of attending a regular session of the  
 20 legislature.

21 \* **Sec. 4.** AS 24.45.041(b) is amended to read:

22           (b) The registration form prescribed by the commission must include  
 23           (1) the lobbyist's full name and complete permanent residence and  
 24 business address and telephone number, as well as any temporary residential and  
 25 business address and telephone number in the **Municipality of Anchorage** [STATE  
 26 CAPITAL] during a **regular** legislative session;  
 27           (2) the full name and complete address of each person by whom the  
 28 lobbyist is retained or employed;  
 29           (3) whether the person from whom the lobbyist receives compensation  
 30 employs the person solely as a lobbyist or whether the person is a regular employee  
 31 performing other services for the employer **that** [WHICH] include but are not limited

1 to the influencing of legislative or administrative action;

2 (4) the nature or form of the lobbyist’s compensation for engaging in  
3 lobbying, including salary, fees, or reimbursement for expenses received in  
4 consideration for, or directly in support of or in connection with, the influencing of  
5 legislative or administrative action;

6 (5) a general description of the subjects or matters on which the  
7 registrant expects to lobby or to engage in the influencing of legislative or  
8 administrative action;

9 (6) the full name and complete address of the person, if other than the  
10 registrant, who has custody of the accounts, books, papers, bills, receipts, and other  
11 documents required to be maintained under this chapter.

12 \* **Sec. 5.** AS 24.45.041(e) is amended to read:

13 (e) Within 45 days after the convening of each regular session of the  
14 legislature, the commission shall publish a directory of registered lobbyists, containing  
15 the information prescribed in (b) of this section for each lobbyist and the photograph,  
16 if any, furnished by a lobbyist under (c) of this section. From time to time thereafter  
17 the commission shall publish those supplements to the directory that in the  
18 commission’s judgment may be necessary. The directory shall be made available to  
19 public officials and to the public at the following locations: a public place adjacent to  
20 the legislative chambers in the Municipality of Anchorage [STATE CAPITOL  
21 BUILDING], the office of the lieutenant governor, the legislative reference library of  
22 the Legislative Affairs Agency, and the commission’s central office.

23 \* **Sec. 6.** AS 24.50.010 is amended to read:

24 **Sec. 24.50.010. Annual student guests.** The legislature may each year while  
25 in session serve as host to one member of each high school in the state for a stay of  
26 one week [IN THE CAPITAL] to observe and learn the legislative process.

27 \* **Sec. 7.** AS 24.50.040 is amended to read:

28 **Sec. 24.50.040. Essay contest.** Before leaving [THE STATE CAPITAL], each  
29 legislative guest hosted under AS 24.50.010 shall prepare and submit to the director  
30 of the Legislative Affairs Agency a paper of not less than 1,000 words entitled "The  
31 Legislature Should . . . . .". Each paper shall be examined and judged as to

1 content by the governor, the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of  
2 representatives, the minority leader of the senate, and the minority leader of the house.

3 The author of the paper determined best by majority vote shall receive a one-year  
4 scholarship to the University of Alaska.

5 \* **Sec. 8.** This Act applies beginning with the convening of the Second Session of the  
6 Twenty-First Alaska State Legislature.

7 \* **Sec. 9.** This Act takes effect July 1, 1999.