

HOUSE BILL NO. 274

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE GREEN

Introduced: 5/8/97

Referred: House Special Committee on Oil and Gas, Resources

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to the qualifications of the members of the Alaska Oil and Gas
2 Conservation Commission; and providing for an effective date."

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 31.05.009 is amended to read:

5 **Sec. 31.05.009. Qualifications of members.** Members shall be qualified as
6 follows:

7 **(1)** one member shall be an engineer who

8 (A) holds a certificate of registration as an engineer under
9 AS 08.48 and, under regulations adopted to implement that chapter, has
10 qualified as a petroleum [LICENSED PROFESSIONAL] engineer;

11 (B) has earned a degree from an accredited university
12 [WITH EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND] in the
13 field of petroleum engineering; for purposes of this subparagraph, a person
14 meets the requirement of earning a degree in the field of petroleum

1 engineering if the person obtains an undergraduate or graduate degree in
 2 petroleum engineering that meets the requirements for program
 3 accreditation by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of the
 4 Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology by completing a
 5 minimum of 32 semester hours in courses specific to petroleum engineering
 6 that illustrate application of engineering principles to the problems and
 7 methods used in the petroleum industry, including drilling, production,
 8 reservoir engineering, fluid flow through subsurface formations, and
 9 hydrocarbon transportation; and

10 (C) has a professional background in the field of petroleum
 11 engineering;

12 (2) one member shall be a geologist who

13 (A) holds a certification as a professional geologist under
 14 AS 08.02.011;

15 (B) has earned a degree from an accredited university in the
 16 field of geology; and

17 (C) has a [WITH EDUCATIONAL AND] professional
 18 background in the field of petroleum geology; and

19 (3) one member need not be trained or [AND] experienced in either
 20 the field [FIELDS] of petroleum engineering or the field of petroleum geology.

21 * **Sec. 2.** APPLICABILITY. The provisions of AS 31.05.009, amended by sec. 1 of this
 22 Act, apply to persons appointed under AS 31.05.009 on and after the effective date of this
 23 Act.

24 * **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).