

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 133(FIN)

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TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): SENATOR PEARCE

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act creating and providing for the Regulatory Commission of Alaska and
2 transferring to it certain powers and duties of the Alaska Public Utilities
3 Commission; transferring regulation of pipelines to the Alaska Oil and Gas
4 Conservation Commission; repealing the Alaska Public Utilities Commission;
5 relating to the powers of the chair of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska;
6 relating to regulatory cost charges for public utilities; relating to the appellate
7 procedures of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska; and providing for an
8 effective date."

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

10 * **Section 1.** AS 42 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

11 **Chapter 04. Regulatory Commission of Alaska.**

12 **Article 1. Commission and Staff.**

1 **Sec. 42.04.010. Regulatory Commission of Alaska created.** (a) There is
2 created as an independent agency of the state the Regulatory Commission of Alaska.

3 (b) The commission may nominate one of its members to serve as chair. The
4 governor shall designate the chair of the commission, either by selecting the member
5 nominated by the commission or another member. The term as chair is four years.
6 The chair may not be appointed to successive terms as chair.

7 **Sec. 42.04.020. Commissioners.** (a) The commission consists of five
8 commissioners appointed by the governor and confirmed by the legislature in joint
9 session.

10 (b) The term of office of each member is six years. A commissioner, upon
11 the expiration of a term, shall continue to hold office until a successor is appointed and
12 qualified.

13 (c) A vacancy arising in the office of a commissioner shall be filled by
14 appointment by the governor and confirmed by the legislature in joint session, and,
15 except as provided in AS 39.05.080(4), an appointee selected to fill a vacancy shall
16 hold office for the balance of the full term for which the predecessor on the
17 commission was appointed.

18 (d) A vacancy in the commission does not impair the authority of a quorum
19 of commissioners to exercise all the powers and perform all the duties of the
20 commission.

21 (e) The governor may remove a commissioner from office for cause, including
22 incompetence, neglect of duty, or misconduct in office or because the member, while
23 serving on the commission, is convicted of a misdemeanor for violating a statute or
24 regulation related to public utilities or is convicted of a felony. A commissioner, to
25 be removed for cause, shall be given a copy of the charges and afforded an opportunity
26 to be publicly heard in person or by counsel in the commissioner's own defense upon
27 not less than 10 days' notice. If a commissioner is removed for cause, the governor
28 shall file with the lieutenant governor a complete statement of all charges made against
29 the commissioner and the governor's finding based on the charges, together with a
30 complete record of the proceedings.

31 (f) Members of the commission are in the exempt service and are entitled to

1 a monthly salary equal to Step C, Range 26, of the salary schedule in AS 39.27.011(a)
2 for Juneau, Alaska. The chair of the commission is entitled to a monthly salary equal
3 to Step C, Range 27, of the salary schedule in AS 39.27.011(a) for Juneau, Alaska.

4 (g) Each commissioner, before entering upon the duties of office, shall take
5 and subscribe to the oath prescribed for principal officers of the state.

6 **Sec. 42.04.030. Principal office; seal.** (a) The commission shall establish a
7 principal office and branch offices necessary to discharge its business efficiently. For
8 the convenience of the public or of parties to a proceeding, the commission may hold
9 meetings, hearings, or other proceedings at other locations.

10 (b) The commission shall have an official seal.

11 **Sec. 42.04.040. Legal counsel.** (a) The Department of Law shall provide full-
12 time legal counsel to the commission.

13 (b) The commission may contract for the services of specialized legal counsel
14 or legal consultants.

15 **Sec. 42.04.050. Employment of commission personnel.** (a) The chair of the
16 commission is responsible for directing the administrative functions of the commission
17 and carrying out the policies as set by the commission. The commission chair may
18 employ engineers, hearing officers, experts, clerks, accountants, and other agents and
19 assistants considered necessary. Employees of the commission who are not in the
20 exempt service under AS 39.25.110, other than legal counsel, are in the classified
21 service under AS 39.25.100.

22 (b) The chair of the commission may enter into a contract for no more than
23 \$5,000 to engage the services of a consultant or expert the chair considers necessary.
24 The commission may contract for and engage the services of consultants and experts
25 the commission considers necessary.

26 **Sec. 42.04.060. Restrictions on members and employees.** (a) A member of
27 the commission or an employee of the commission may not have an official connection
28 with, hold stock or securities in, or have a pecuniary interest in a public utility within
29 the state. Membership in a cooperative association is not a "pecuniary interest" within
30 the meaning of this section; however, a member or employee of the commission may
31 not be an officer, board member, or employee of a cooperative association. A member

1 or employee may not act upon a matter in which a relationship of the member or
2 employee with any person creates a conflict of interest.

3 (b) A member or employee of the commission may not, after leaving the
4 position as a member or employee of the commission, act as agent for or on behalf of
5 a public utility in any matter before the commission that was before the commission
6 during the employee's employment or the member's term of office. A violation of this
7 subsection is a class A misdemeanor.

8 (c) Members and employees of the commission, except clerical and secretarial
9 staff, are subject to AS 39.50. Members and employees of the commission are subject
10 to AS 39.52.

11 (d) A member of the commission is disqualified from voting upon any matter
12 before the commission in which the member has a conflict of interest.

13 **Sec. 42.04.070. Powers and duties of commission chair.** (a) The chair of
14 the commission shall

15 (1) employ the commission staff;

16 (2) establish and implement a time management system for the
17 commission;

18 (3) assign the work of the commission to members and staff of the
19 commission so that matters before the commission are resolved as expeditiously and
20 competently as possible; when assigning a matter, the chair shall also set a date by
21 which time the matter should be completed.

22 (b) The chair of the commission may appoint a hearing officer to hear a matter
23 that has come before the commission; a member of the commission may serve as
24 hearing officer.

25 (c) When the chair of the commission believes that it is in the public interest
26 for the commission to participate as a party in an adjudicatory matter, the chair shall
27 direct the public advocacy section to do so.

28 **Sec. 42.04.080. Decision-making procedures.** (a) Except as provided in
29 AS 42.05.171, when a matter comes for decision before the commission under
30 AS 42.05, the chair shall appoint a hearing panel composed of three or more members
31 to hear and decide the case. The panel shall exercise the powers of the commission

1 with respect to the matter.

2 (b) A decision of a hearing panel under AS 42.05 may be appealed to the
3 commission if there is an allegation in the appeal that action or a decision taken by the
4 commission is contrary to commission precedent and is not based on an intervening
5 change in law. The commission may grant or deny the application to appeal. If a
6 decision of a hearing panel is not subject to appeal to the commission or if the
7 commission denies an application to appeal, the decision of the hearing panel is a final
8 decision for purposes of appeal to the courts.

9 (c) The commission shall adopt regulations by December 31, 1999, that
10 establish standards of timeliness for the types of cases that come before the
11 commission. The commission shall establish standards based in part on degrees of
12 complexity of the cases.

13 **Article 2. Communications Carriers Section.**

14 **Sec. 42.04.100. Communications carriers section.** There is established
15 within the commission a communications carriers section that shall develop,
16 recommend, and administer policies and programs with respect to the regulation of
17 rates, services, accounting, and facilities of communications common carriers within
18 the state involving the use of wire, cable, radio, and space satellites.

19 **Article 3. Public Advocacy Section.**

20 **Sec. 42.04.150. Public advocacy section.** There is established within the
21 commission a public advocacy section. The section shall participate as a party in
22 adjudicatory matters that come before the commission to represent the public interest
23 when it is in the public interest to do so. The public advocacy section shall operate
24 separately from the rest of the commission.

25 * **Sec. 2.** AS 29.35.137(6) is amended to read:

26 (6) "local exchange telephone company" means a telephone utility
27 certificated **under AS 42.05** [BY THE ALASKA PUBLIC UTILITIES
28 COMMISSION] to provide local exchange service;

29 * **Sec. 3.** AS 37.05.146(b) is amended to read:

30 (b) The program receipts listed in this subsection are accounted for separately,
31 and appropriations from these program receipts are not made from the unrestricted

1 general fund:

2 (1) federal receipts;

3 (2) University of Alaska receipts (AS 14.40.491);

4 (3) designated program receipts; in this paragraph, "designated program
5 receipts" means money received by the state from a source other than the state or
6 federal government that is restricted to a specific use by the terms of a gift, grant,
7 bequest, or contract;

8 (4) receipts of the following:

9 (A) highway working capital fund (AS 44.68.210);

10 (B) correctional industries fund (AS 33.32.020);

11 (C) loan funds;

12 (D) international airport revenue fund (AS 37.15.430);

13 (E) corporate receipts earned or managed by a public
14 corporation of the state;

15 (F) fish and game fund (AS 16.05.100);

16 (G) school fund (AS 43.50.140);

17 (H) training and building fund (AS 23.20.130);

18 (I) retirement funds (AS 14.25, AS 22.25, AS 26.05.222,
19 AS 39.35, and former AS 39.37);

20 (J) permanent fund (art. IX, sec. 15, Alaska Constitution);

21 (K) public school trust fund (AS 37.14.110);

22 (L) second injury fund (AS 23.30.040);

23 (M) fishermen's fund (AS 23.35.060);

24 (N) FICA administration fund (AS 39.30.050);

25 (O) receipts of the employee benefits program established under
26 AS 39.30.150 - 39.30.180;

27 (P) receipts of the deferred compensation program established
28 under AS 39.45;

29 (Q) clean air protection fund (AS 46.14.260);

30 (R) receipts of the group insurance programs established under
31 AS 39.30.090;

1 (S) mental health trust fund (AS 37.14.031);
 2 (T) Alaska children's trust (AS 37.14.200);
 3 (U) commercial fisheries test fishing operations
 4 (AS 16.05.050(15));

5 (V) **Regulatory Commission of** Alaska [PUBLIC UTILITIES
 6 COMMISSION] under AS 42.05 [AND AS 42.06];

7 **(W) Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission under**
 8 **AS 42.06;**

9 (5) receipts of or from the trust established by AS 37.14.400 -
 10 37.14.450, except reimbursements described in AS 37.14.410.

11 * **Sec. 4.** AS 39.50.200(b)(24) is amended to read:

12 (24) **Regulatory Commission of** Alaska **(AS 42.04.010)** [PUBLIC
 13 UTILITIES COMMISSION (AS 42.05.010)];

14 * **Sec. 5.** AS 42.05.151(b) is amended to read:

15 (b) The commission shall adopt regulations governing practice and procedure,
 16 consistent with due process of law, including the conduct of formal and informal
 17 investigations, pre-hearing conferences, hearings, and proceedings, and the handling
 18 of procedural motions by a single commissioner. **The regulations must provide for**
 19 **the hearing of a matter by a hearing panel and appeal of the matter in**
 20 **accordance with AS 42.04.080.** Technical rules of evidence need not apply to
 21 investigations, pre-hearing conferences, hearings, and proceedings before the
 22 commission. The commission shall provide for representation by out-of-state attorneys
 23 substantially in accordance with Rule 81, Alaska Rules of Civil Procedure.

24 * **Sec. 6.** AS 42.05.171 is amended to read:

25 **Sec. 42.05.171. Formal hearings.** A formal hearing that the commission has
 26 power to hold may be held by or before **a hearing panel appointed under**
 27 **AS 42.04.080** [THREE OR MORE COMMISSIONERS], a hearing officer, or an
 28 administrative law judge designated for the purpose by the **chair of the** commission.
 29 **In appropriate cases, a formal hearing may be held before an arbitrator**
 30 **designated for the purpose by the commission.** The testimony and evidence in a
 31 formal hearing may be taken by the **panel** [COMMISSIONERS], by the hearing

1 officer, **by the arbitrator**, or by the administrative law judge to whom the hearing has
 2 been assigned. A commissioner who has not heard or read the testimony, including
 3 the argument, may not participate in making a decision of the commission. In
 4 determining the place of a hearing, the commission shall give preference to holding
 5 the hearing at a place most convenient for those interested in the subject of the
 6 hearing.

7 * **Sec. 7.** AS 42.05.254(a) is amended to read:

8 (a) A regulated public utility operating in the state shall pay to the commission
 9 an annual regulatory cost charge in an amount not to exceed **the maximum**
 10 **percentage of adjusted gross revenue that applies to the utility sector of which the**
 11 **utility is a part. The percentage may not exceed .8 percent of the total adjusted**
 12 **gross revenue of all regulated public utilities** [DERIVED FROM OPERATIONS IN
 13 THE STATE, AS MODIFIED UNDER (c) OF THIS SECTION IF APPROPRIATE].

14 An exempt utility shall pay the actual cost of services provided to it by the
 15 commission.

16 * **Sec. 8.** AS 42.05.254(b) is amended to read:

17 (b) The commission shall by regulation establish a method to determine
 18 annually the amount of the regulatory cost charge for a public utility. If the amount
 19 the commission expects to collect under (a) of this section [AND UNDER
 20 AS 42.06.286(a)] exceeds the authorized budget of the commission, the commission
 21 shall, by order, reduce the percentages **determined under (i)** [SET OUT IN (a)] of
 22 this section so that the total amount of the fees collected approximately equals the
 23 authorized budget of the commission for the fiscal year.

24 * **Sec. 9.** AS 42.05.254(h) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

25 (5) "adjusted gross revenue" means the gross revenue of a utility as
 26 modified under (c) of this section, if appropriate.

27 * **Sec. 10.** AS 42.05.254 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

28 (i) The commission shall by regulation establish a method to determine
 29 annually the maximum percentage of adjusted gross revenue that will apply to each
 30 regulated public utility sector. The method established shall allocate the commission's
 31 costs, other than the cost of services provided to exempt utilities, among the regulated

1 public utility sectors based on the relative amount of the commission's annual costs
2 that is attributable to regulating each sector.

3 * **Sec. 11.** AS 42.05.990(2) is amended to read:

4 (2) "commission" means the **Regulatory Commission of** Alaska
5 [PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION];

6 * **Sec. 12.** AS 42.05.990(4) is amended to read:

7 (4) "public utility" or "utility" includes every corporation whether
8 public, cooperative, or otherwise, company, individual, or association of individuals,
9 their lessees, trustees, or receivers appointed by a court, that owns, operates, manages,
10 or controls any plant, pipeline, or system for

11 (A) furnishing, by generation, transmission, or distribution,
12 electrical service to the public for compensation;

13 (B) furnishing telecommunications service to the public for
14 compensation;

15 (C) furnishing water, steam, or sewer service to the public for
16 compensation;

17 (D) furnishing by transmission or distribution of natural or
18 manufactured gas to the public for compensation **to the extent the**
19 **transmission and distribution are not regulated by the Alaska Oil and Gas**
20 **Conservation Commission under AS 42.06;**

21 (E) furnishing for distribution or by distribution petroleum or
22 petroleum products to the public for compensation when the consumer has no
23 alternative in the choice of supplier of a comparable product and service at an
24 equal or lesser price **and to the extent the distribution is not regulated by**
25 **the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission under AS 42.06;**

26 (F) furnishing collection and disposal service of garbage, refuse,
27 trash, or other waste material to the public for compensation;

28 * **Sec. 13.** AS 42.05.995 is amended to read:

29 **Sec. 42.05.995. Short title.** This chapter may be cited as the Alaska Public
30 Utilities **Regulatory** [COMMISSION] Act.

31 * **Sec. 14.** AS 42.06.286(b) is amended to read:

1 (b) The commission shall by regulation establish a method to determine
2 annually the amount of the regulatory cost charge. If the amount the commission
3 expects to collect under (a) of this section [AND UNDER AS 42.05.254(a)] exceeds
4 the authorized budget of the commission **that is related to the implementation of this**
5 **chapter, including an appropriate share of the commission's administrative**
6 **expenses**, the commission shall, by order, reduce the percentage set out in (a) of this
7 section so that the total amount of the fees collected approximately equals the
8 authorized budget of the commission for the fiscal year.

9 * **Sec. 15.** AS 42.06.445(e) is amended to read:

10 (e) A commissioner [, AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,] may certify as
11 to all official records of the commission under this section and may certify as to all
12 official acts of the commission under this chapter.

13 * **Sec. 16.** AS 42.06.630(2) is amended to read:

14 (2) "commission" means the Alaska **Oil and Gas Conservation**
15 **[PUBLIC UTILITIES] Commission (AS 31.05.005)**;

16 * **Sec. 17.** AS 42.45.020(b) is amended to read:

17 (b) Subject to AS 42.45.060, the department may make loans from the rural
18 electrification revolving loan fund to electric utilities certified **under AS 42.05** [BY
19 THE ALASKA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION]. A loan from the fund may be
20 made only for the purpose of extending new electric service into an area of the state
21 that an electric utility may serve under a certificate of public convenience and
22 necessity issued **under AS 42.05** [BY THE ALASKA PUBLIC UTILITIES
23 COMMISSION]. A loan may be made from the fund to an electric utility if the utility
24 invests the money necessary to provide one pole, one span of line, one transformer,
25 and one service drop for each consumer for whom immediate service would be
26 provided by the extension of electric service. However, a loan may not be made from
27 the fund unless

28 (1) the loan is recommended by a loan advisory committee appointed
29 under AS 42.45.030; and

30 (2) the extension of electric service would provide immediate service
31 to at least three consumers.

1 * **Sec. 18.** AS 44.66.010(a)(4) is amended to read:

2 (4) **Regulatory Commission of Alaska (AS 42.04.010)** [PUBLIC
3 UTILITIES COMMISSION (AS 42.05.010)] -- June 30, **2004** [1999];

4 * **Sec. 19.** AS 44.83.425(3) is amended to read:

5 (3) "qualified utility" means an electric utility or an electric operating
6 entity established as an instrumentality of two or more electric utilities certified **under**
7 **AS 42.05** [BY THE ALASKA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION] to serve all or
8 part of a market area that is served or will be served by the power project, that the
9 authority determines is capable of operating and maintaining the power project.

10 * **Sec. 20.** AS 46.04.020(i) is amended to read:

11 (i) The superior court and, with respect to intrastate voyages, **either** the
12 **Regulatory Commission of Alaska** [PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION,] under
13 AS 42.05.361 - 42.05.431 **or the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**
14 **under AS 42.06, as appropriate**, have concurrent jurisdiction to review and enjoy
15 a charge, contract term, or financial responsibility requirement described under (h) of
16 this section at the request of a vessel owner, operator, or charterer. Except as provided
17 in this subsection, nothing in this section affects the jurisdiction of the **Regulatory**
18 **Commission of Alaska or the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**
19 [PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION].

20 * **Sec. 21.** REPEAL OF STATUTES. AS 39.25.120(c)(6); AS 42.05.010, 42.05.020,
21 42.05.030, 42.05.035, 42.05.040, 42.05.050, 42.05.071, 42.05.081, 42.05.091, 42.05.101,
22 42.05.111, 42.05.121, 42.05.123, and 42.05.131 are repealed.

23 * **Sec. 22.** REPORT CONCERNING RESTRUCTURING OF THE ALASKA OIL AND
24 GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION AND THE REGULATORY COMMISSION OF
25 ALASKA. The Legislative Budget and Audit Committee shall prepare a report containing
26 recommendations for restructuring the Regulatory Commission of Alaska and the Alaska Oil
27 and Gas Conservation Commission into a single commission. The governor shall appoint one
28 member from the Regulatory Commission of Alaska and one member from the Alaska Oil and
29 Gas Conservation Commission to work with the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee on
30 the report. The report shall be delivered to the governor and the legislature by the first day
31 of the second session of the Twenty-First Alaska State Legislature.

1 * **Sec. 23.** MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM. The Regulatory Commission of
2 Alaska shall develop its management information system and make the system accessible to
3 the general public through the Internet for the purpose of tracking, scheduling, and managing
4 all dockets within the commission.

5 * **Sec. 24.** LOCATION OF THE ALASKA OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION
6 COMMISSION. (a) The principal office of the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation
7 Commission shall move to the same location as the principal office of the Regulatory
8 Commission of Alaska as soon as feasible, but in any case, no later than July 1, 2000.

9 (b) As soon as the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission moves to the same
10 location as the Regulatory Commission of Alaska, the two commissions shall share record
11 keeping facilities and clerical staff.

12 * **Sec. 25.** REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA EMPLOYMENT OF HEARING
13 OFFICER. (a) To the extent that sufficient funds are appropriated for the purpose, during
14 the state fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, the Regulatory Commission of Alaska shall employ,
15 in addition to the hearing officers that the former Alaska Public Utilities Commission was
16 authorized to employ on June 30, 1999, an additional hearing officer.

17 (b) The Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission may use the services of the
18 additional hearing officer employed under (a) of this section to assist with pipeline regulation
19 matters under AS 42.06.

20 * **Sec. 26.** INITIAL TERMS OF MEMBERS OF THE REGULATORY COMMISSION
21 OF ALASKA. Notwithstanding AS 39.05.055, the terms of the initially appointed members
22 of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska shall be set by the governor as follows:

- 23 (1) one member shall serve a five-year term;
24 (2) one member shall serve a four-year term;
25 (3) one member shall serve a three-year term;
26 (4) one member shall serve a two-year term; and
27 (5) one member shall serve a one-year term.

28 * **Sec. 27.** TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS. (a) Litigation, hearings, investigations, and
29 other proceedings pending under a law repealed or amended by this Act, or in connection with
30 functions transferred from the Alaska Public Utilities Commission to the Regulatory
31 Commission of Alaska by this Act, continue in effect and may be completed notwithstanding

1 a transfer or repeal provided for in this Act.

2 (b) Litigation, hearings, investigations, and other proceedings pending under a law
3 repealed or amended by this Act, or in connection with functions transferred from the Alaska
4 Public Utilities Commission to the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission by this Act,
5 continue in effect and may be completed notwithstanding a transfer or repeal provided for in
6 this Act.

7 (c) Regulations in effect on June 30, 1999, that were adopted to implement a function
8 that is transferred by this Act remain in effect and shall be enforced by the Alaska Oil and
9 Gas Conservation Commission or the Regulatory Commission of Alaska, as appropriate, until
10 amended by the appropriate commission.

11 (d) Wherever in Alaska Statutes affected by this Act there is a reference to regulations
12 adopted under a section of law and there are no regulations adopted under that section because
13 previous regulations adopted under another section are being enforced under (c) of this
14 section, the reference shall be construed to refer to the previously adopted regulations until
15 they are amended by the new agency.

16 (e) Contracts, rights, liabilities, and obligations created by or under a law repealed or
17 amended by this Act, and in effect on June 30, 1999, remain in effect notwithstanding this
18 Act's taking effect.

19 (f) Records, equipment, appropriations, and other property of the Alaska Public
20 Utilities Commission relating to regulation of public utilities under AS 42.05 shall be
21 transferred to the Regulatory Commission of Alaska to implement the provisions of this Act.

22 (g) Records, equipment, appropriations, and other property of the Alaska Public
23 Utilities Commission relating to regulation of pipelines under AS 42.06 shall be transferred
24 to the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission to implement the provisions of this Act.
25 The Alaska Public Utilities Commission shall also transfer at least two employees of the
26 Alaska Public Utilities Commission who are employed in the tariff section to the Alaska Oil
27 and Gas Conservation Commission.

28 * **Sec. 28.** FIVE-YEAR SUNSET. The amendment to AS 44.66.010(a)(4), made by
29 sec. 18 of this Act, is made notwithstanding AS 44.66.010(c).

30 * **Sec. 29.** REVISOR INSTRUCTIONS. (a) In the following statutes, the revisor of
31 statutes is instructed to change "Alaska Public Utilities Commission" to "Regulatory

1 Commission of Alaska":

- 2 (1) AS 29.35.131(c);
- 3 (2) AS 29.35.137(5);
- 4 (3) AS 42.05.141(a);
- 5 (4) AS 42.05.325(c);
- 6 (5) AS 42.05.381(f) in both places;
- 7 (6) AS 42.05.712(c);
- 8 (7) AS 42.05.712(d);
- 9 (8) AS 42.45.010(e);
- 10 (9) AS 42.45.110(a);
- 11 (10) AS 42.45.170(a);
- 12 (11) AS 42.45.170(e);
- 13 (12) AS 44.83.090(b) in both places;
- 14 (13) AS 45.50.473(a);
- 15 (14) AS 45.50.473(b);
- 16 (15) AS 45.50.475(b);
- 17 (16) AS 45.50.475(c); and
- 18 (17) AS 45.63.080(12).

19 (b) In the following statutes, the revisor of statutes is instructed to change "Alaska
20 Public Utilities Commission" to "former Alaska Public Utilities Commission or the Regulatory
21 Commission of Alaska":

- 22 (1) AS 09.65.085(a);
- 23 (2) AS 10.25.020(6); and
- 24 (3) AS 18.57.020(c).

25 (c) In the following statutes, the revisor of statutes is instructed to change "by the
26 Alaska Public Utilities Commission" to "by the former Alaska Public Utilities Commission
27 or by the Regulatory Commission of Alaska":

- 28 (1) AS 29.35.050(b) in both places;
- 29 (2) AS 29.35.050(c);
- 30 (3) AS 29.35.060(a);
- 31 (4) AS 29.35.060(b); and

1 (5) AS 42.45.200(e).

2 (d) In the following statutes, the revisor of statutes is instructed to change "Alaska
3 Public Utilities Commission" to the "Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission":

4 (1) AS 38.35.120(a) in three places;

5 (2) AS 38.35.230(2);

6 (3) AS 43.55.150(b); and

7 (4) AS 43.56.210(7).

8 * **Sec. 30.** This Act takes effect July 1, 1999.