

AMENDMENT

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OFFERED IN THE HOUSE  
TO: HCS SB 337 (FIN)

BY REPRESENTATIVE BERKOWITZ

1 Page 1, Line 11;

2 Insert:

3           \*\* Section 1. AS 41.98 is amended by adding a new section to read:

4 **Sec. 41.98.190. Hydrogen energy partnership.** (a) There is established in  
5 the Department of Community and Economic Development the hydrogen energy  
6 partnership.

7           (b) Members of the partnership shall be appointed by the commissioner of  
8 community and economic development to represent

- 9                           (1) the federal government;
- 10                          (2) state government;
- 11                          (3) the University of Alaska;
- 12                          (4) political subdivisions of the state;
- 13                          (5) tribal organizations of the state;
- 14                          (6) the electric utility industry;
- 15                          (7) the fossil fuel industry;
- 16                          (8) nonfossil fuel energy industry; and
- 17                          (9) private environmental conservation groups.

18           (c) The partnership members shall serve without compensation but are entitled  
19 to transportation expenses and per diem as authorized for members of boards and  
20 commissions under AS 39.20.180.

21           (d) The hydrogen energy partnership shall facilitate the development of a  
22 hydrogen fuel industry in Alaska by means including

- 23                           (1) meeting with hydrogen energy interests to plan hydrogen energy  
24 research and development;
- 25                          (2) proposing policy to promote federal and private industry  
26 investment in hydrogen energy research and development;
- 27                          (3) evaluating the market for hydrogen energy production;

1 (4) proposing tax incentives for investment in a hydrogen energy  
2 infrastructure; and

3 (5) reporting annually to the legislature on or before the 20th day of  
4 each regular session on the development of hydrogen energy production in the state.”

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6 Page 7, Line 8;

7 Insert:

8 “\*Sec. 11. AS 44.33.020 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

9 (44) provide staff support for the hydrogen energy partnership established  
10 under AS 41.98.190, and the University of Alaska shall provide assistance to the  
11 commissioner upon request.”

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13 Page 9, Line 22;

14 Insert:

15 “\*Sec. 17. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a  
16 new section to read:

17 FUNDING FOR HYDROGEN ENERGY PARTNERSHIP. The commissioner of  
18 community and economic development shall seek federal and private sources of funding  
19 to cover the costs of the establishment of and operation of the hydrogen energy  
20 partnership established in sec. 2 of this Act.

21 \*Sec. 18. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a  
22 new section to read:

23 CONDITIONAL EFFECT. Sections 11 and 17 of this Act take effect only if  
24 the Department of Community and Economic Development obtains sufficient funding  
25 under sec. 4 of this Act.

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27 Page 9, Line 26;

28 Insert:

29 “\*Sec. 20. If secs. 1 and 11 of this Act have not taken effect under sec. 18 of  
30 this Act by June 30, 2009, secs. 1, 11, 17 and 18 of this Act are repealed June 30, 2009.

1           \* **Sec. 21.** If secs. 1 and 11 of this Act have not taken effect under sec. 18 of  
2 this act by June 30, 2009, sec. 22 of this Act is repealed on June 30, 2009.

3           \* **Sec. 22.** Sections 1 and 11 of this Act take effect 30 days after the  
4 commissioner of community and economic development notifies the revisor of statutes  
5 that sufficient funding required under sec. 17 of this Act has been obtained.

6           \* **Sec. 23.** Section 17 of this Act takes effect immediately under AS  
7 01.10.070(c).”

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9   Renumber Accordingly