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**Chapter No.**  
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## AN ACT

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

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3    \* **Section 1.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section  
4 to read:

5           SAFETY CODE TASK FORCE. (a) There is established in the legislative branch of  
6 state government the Safety Code Task Force. The task force shall consist of nine voting  
7 members, as follows:

8                   (1) one state senator appointed by the president of the senate;

9                   (2) one state representative appointed by the speaker of the house of  
10 representatives;

11                   (3) one member of the administration appointed by the governor;

12                   (4) the following members appointed jointly by the president of the senate and  
13 the speaker of the house of representatives:

14                           (A) one member representing the construction design community;

15                           (B) one member representing the construction engineering community;

- 1 (C) one member representing construction general contractors;
- 2 (D) one member representing the mechanical construction industry;
- 3 (E) one member representing the electrical construction industry; and
- 4 (F) one member representing the plumbing construction industry.

5 (b) The task force shall

6 (1) discuss the features of the available published safety codes and  
7 recommend a consistent set of codes to be adopted for the state;

8 (2) discuss and make recommendations on having one state agency  
9 responsible for the adoption and administration of all safety codes; and

10 (3) discuss and make recommendations on the methods and authority for local  
11 governments to amend and administer safety codes.

12 (c) The governor shall appoint a person from the division of occupational licensing in  
13 the Department of Community and Economic Development, a person from the division of fire  
14 prevention in the Department of Public Safety, and a person from the Department of Labor  
15 and Workforce Development to participate on an advisory panel to the task force. The  
16 president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives may jointly appoint the  
17 following additional members to the advisory panel:

- 18 (1) a municipal building official;
- 19 (2) a municipal fire prevention official;
- 20 (3) a journeyman mechanical installer;
- 21 (4) a journeyman plumber;
- 22 (5) a journeyman electrician;
- 23 (6) a building developer;
- 24 (7) a representative of the Alaska Oil and Gas Association;
- 25 (8) a representative of a pipeline operator;
- 26 (9) a representative from the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation;
- 27 (10) a representative of the Alaska Homebuilders Association; and
- 28 (11) a representative from a regional housing authority.

29 (d) If additional organizations, or industries, trades, or professions show an interest in  
30 participating, the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives may  
31 jointly appoint additional members to the advisory panel.

1 (e) The advisory panel may only participate in the operations of the task force by  
2 providing advice to the members of the task force on how the issues addressed by the task  
3 force currently affect the advisory panel members' respective agencies, organizations, and  
4 occupations and how any proposals would affect those agencies, organizations, and  
5 occupations in the future.

6 (f) The members of the task force appointed under (a)(1) and (2) shall serve as co-  
7 chairs of the task force.

8 (g) The task force shall meet as frequently as its members determine necessary to  
9 perform the task force's work and may meet during the interim between sessions. The task  
10 force may meet and vote by teleconference.

11 (h) The task force shall submit a written report of its findings and recommendations to  
12 the legislature on or before the first day of the Second Regular Session of the Twenty-Third  
13 Alaska State Legislature.

14 \* **Sec. 2.** This Act is repealed on the first legislative day of the Second Regular Session of  
15 the Twenty-Third Alaska State Legislature.

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