

**HOUSE BILL NO. 489**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

**BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR**

**Introduced: 2/16/04**

**Referred: Labor and Commerce, Finance**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to the administration of the Alaska Vocational Technical Center; and**  
2 **providing for an effective date."**

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

4 **\* Section 1.** AS 44.31.020 is amended to read:

5 **Sec. 44.31.020. Duties of department.** The Department of Labor and  
6 Workforce Development shall

7 (1) enforce the laws, and adopt regulations under them concerning  
8 employer-employee relationships, including the safety, hours of work, wages, and  
9 conditions of workers, including children;

10 (2) accumulate, analyze, and report labor statistics;

11 (3) operate systems of workers' compensation and unemployment  
12 insurance;

13 (4) gather data reflecting the cost of living in the various election  
14 districts of the state upon request of the director of personnel under AS 39.27.030; in

1 this paragraph, "election district" has the meaning given in AS 39.27.020(b);

2 (5) operate the federally funded employment and training programs  
3 under 29 U.S.C. 2801 - 2945 (Workforce Investment Act of 1998); [AND]

4 (6) administer the state's program of adult basic education and adopt  
5 regulations to administer the program; **and**

6 **(7) administer the programs of the Alaska Vocational Technical**  
7 **Center and adopt regulations to administer the programs, including regulations**  
8 **that set rates for student tuition and room and board, and fees for the programs**  
9 **and services provided by the department regarding the Alaska Vocational**  
10 **Technical Center.**

11 \* **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).