

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 83(STA)
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BY THE SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

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Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES LEDOUX, Guttenberg, Foster

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the Alaska Seismic Hazards Safety Commission; and providing for**
2 **an effective date."**

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

4 *** Section 1.** AS 44.37.065(b) is amended to read:

5 (b) The commission is composed of **11** [NINE] members appointed by the
6 governor for terms of three years. [A MEMBER HOLDS OFFICE UNTIL A
7 SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED.] A vacancy is filled for the unexpired term.

8 *** Sec. 2.** AS 44.37.065(c) is amended to read:

9 (c) The governor shall appoint to the commission

10 (1) a representative from the University of Alaska;

11 (2) **three representatives, each** [A REPRESENTATIVE] from **a** local
12 government **in a separate seismically active region of the state;**

13 (3) a representative from the Department of Natural Resources;

14 (4) a representative from the Department of Military and Veterans'

1 Affairs;

2 (5) a representative from an appropriate federal agency;

3 (6) a representative of the insurance industry; and

4 (7) three members from members of the public who are expert in the
5 fields of geology, seismology, hydrology, geotechnical engineering, structural
6 engineering, emergency services, or planning.

7 * **Sec. 3.** AS 44.37.069 is amended by adding new paragraphs to read:

8 (4) "seismic hazard" means a geologic condition that is a potential
9 danger to life and property; in this paragraph, "geologic condition" includes an
10 earthquake, landslide, avalanche, liquefaction, tsunami inundation, volcanic eruption,
11 fault displacement, and subsidence;

12 (5) "tsunami" means a large ocean wave produced by an earthquake,
13 landslide, or volcanic eruption.

14 * **Sec. 4.** AS 44.66.010(a)(9) is amended to read:

15 (9) Alaska Seismic Hazards Safety Commission (AS 44.37.065) -
16 June 30, 2012 [2005].

17 * **Sec. 5.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
18 read:

19 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS; TERM OF OFFICE. (a) The governor shall
20 appoint 11 members to the Alaska Seismic Hazards Safety Commission.

21 (b) Notwithstanding AS 44.37.065(b), as amended by sec. 1 of the Act, four members
22 appointed by the governor shall serve terms of four years, four members shall serve terms of
23 three years, and three members shall serve terms of two years.

24 (c) A person who is a member of the commission immediately before the effective
25 date of this Act

26 (1) shall hold office until the effective date of an appointment to that office
27 under (a) of this section; and

28 (2) may be reappointed by the governor for a term in (b) of this section.

29 * **Sec. 6.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).