

HOUSE BILL NO. 300

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE KOHRING

Introduced: 5/4/05

Referred: House Special Committee on Oil and Gas, Resources

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the qualifications of the member of the Alaska Oil and Gas**
2 **Conservation Commission who need not be certified, trained, or experienced in either**
3 **the field of petroleum engineering or the field of petroleum geology."**

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

5 * **Section 1.** AS 31.05.009 is amended to read:

6 **Sec. 31.05.009. Qualifications of members.** Members shall be qualified as
7 follows:

8 (1) one member shall be a petroleum engineer who

9 (A) holds a certificate of registration as an engineer under
10 AS 08.48 and, under regulations adopted to implement that chapter, has
11 qualified as a petroleum engineer; or

12 (B) has earned a degree from a university in the field of
13 engineering and has at least 10 years of professional subsurface experience in
14 the oil and gas industry in drilling, well operations, production process

1 operations, reservoir engineering, or a combination thereof; for the purposes of
 2 this subparagraph, a person meets the requirement of earning a degree in the
 3 field of engineering if the person obtains an undergraduate or graduate degree
 4 in engineering that meets the requirements for program accreditation by the
 5 Engineering Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for
 6 Engineering and Technology and the person completes university or industry
 7 training specific to petroleum engineering that illustrates application of
 8 engineering principles to the problems encountered and methods used in the
 9 petroleum industry, including drilling, production, reservoir engineering, fluid
 10 flow through subsurface formations, and hydrocarbon transportation;

11 (2) one member shall be a geologist who

12 (A) holds a certification as a professional geologist under
 13 AS 08.02.011 and has professional experience in the field of petroleum
 14 geology; or

15 (B) has earned a degree in the field of geology from a
 16 university accredited in the field of geology and has a minimum of 10 years
 17 professional experience in the field of petroleum geology; and

18 (3) one member who **shall**

19 **(A) be an attorney licensed to practice law in the state and**
 20 **have practiced law for a period of not less than three years;**

21 **(B) have received a four-year bachelor's degree in business**
 22 **management from an accredited college or university and have not less**
 23 **than two years of experience in business management; or**

24 **(C) have not less than six years of experience in business**
 25 **management** [NEED NOT BE CERTIFIED, TRAINED, OR
 26 EXPERIENCED IN EITHER THE FIELD OF PETROLEUM
 27 ENGINEERING OR THE FIELD OF PETROLEUM GEOLOGY].