

**SENATE BILL NO. 283**

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

**BY SENATOR DYSON**

**Introduced: 2/13/06**

**Referred: Labor and Commerce, Finance**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to the Energy Task Force; and providing for an effective date."**

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

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

5 ENERGY TASK FORCE. (a) The directors of the Alaska Energy Authority shall  
6 appoint members to an Energy Task Force. The members shall include experts on energy  
7 issues, representatives of businesses involved in supplying energy, and members who  
8 represent local governments and public consumers. The Alaska Energy Authority shall  
9 provide staff support and administrative services to the task force. Members of the task force  
10 do not receive compensation, but are entitled to per diem and travel expenses authorized for  
11 boards and commissions under AS 39.20.180.

12 (b) The Energy Task Force shall examine

13 (1) energy requirements of communities in the state, with emphasis on  
14 electrical generation;

15 (2) home heating needs in the state;

1 (3) the ways that residents heat their homes and the methods and fuel sources  
2 used to provide that heat;

3 (4) the methods by which electrical energy is provided to the homes and  
4 communities in the state;

5 (5) the methods by which heating fuels are provided to the homes in the state;

6 (6) all federal, state, and local energy programs available for aiding residents  
7 and communities in obtaining energy and home heating, as well as programs for developing,  
8 improving, or enhancing energy generation, energy transmission, and home heating;

9 (7) all variables that affect the cost of heating homes, including sources of  
10 fuel, cost of fuel, cost of fuel delivery, transportation issues, geographic differences, and  
11 meteorological differences;

12 (8) all variables that affect the cost of delivering energy to homes and  
13 communities, with emphasis on electrical generation, including sources of energy generation,  
14 cost of fuel, cost of fuel delivery, transportation and transmission issues, geographic  
15 differences, and meteorological differences.

16 (c) The Energy Task Force shall investigate and identify incentives for communities  
17 to conserve energy and to develop alternative energy sources. The task force shall evaluate the  
18 merits of establishing a single, integrated, fair, universal, statewide energy policy with a  
19 single program to ensure that all communities in the state have safe, reliable, and affordable  
20 power and heat.

21 (d) The Energy Task Force shall submit a report to the legislature by January 3, 2007,  
22 summarizing its findings and recommendations, including recommendations for

23 (1) one or more alternatives for achieving more efficient, cost-effective  
24 delivery of heat and energy to residents and communities in the state;

25 (2) statutory, regulatory, organizational, and management changes that would  
26 be necessary to carry out its recommendations.

27 (e) The Energy Task Force is terminated June 1, 2007.

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