

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 66(STA)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Offered: 2/22/22

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): SENATORS BEGICH, Gray-Jackson, Kawasaki, Kiehl

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the membership of the legislative council; and relating to the**
2 **membership of the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee."**

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 24.20.020 is amended to read:

5 **Sec. 24.20.020. Membership.** The legislative council is composed of the
6 president of the senate, **the senate minority leader, or the senate minority leader's**
7 **designee,** and **five** [SIX] other senators appointed by the president, and the speaker of
8 the house of representatives, **the house minority leader or the house minority**
9 **leader's designee,** and **five** [SIX] other representatives appointed by the speaker.
10 [THE MEMBERSHIP FROM EACH HOUSE SHALL INCLUDE AT LEAST ONE
11 MEMBER FROM EACH OF THE TWO MAJOR POLITICAL PARTIES.] The
12 appointing authority in each house shall make and announce the appointment or
13 reappointment of members of the council within 15 days after the convening of the
14 first regular session of each legislature.

1 * **Sec. 2.** AS 24.20.161 is amended to read:

2 **Sec. 24.20.161. Membership.** The Legislative Budget and Audit Committee is
 3 composed of 10 members: the **chairs** [CHAIRMEN] of the senate and house finance
 4 committees, [;] one member selected from each of the senate and house finance
 5 committees and appointed by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house,
 6 respectively, **the house minority leader or the house minority leader's designee,**
 7 **the senate minority leader or the senate minority leader's designee,** [;] and **two**
 8 [THREE] members appointed from each house by the respective presiding officer.
 9 The **chair** [CHAIRMAN] of the finance committee may choose not to serve on the
 10 committee. If this occurs, the presiding officer of the appropriate house shall appoint a
 11 replacement from the finance committee. [THE MEMBERSHIP FROM EACH
 12 HOUSE SHALL INCLUDE AT LEAST ONE MEMBER FROM EACH OF THE
 13 TWO MAJOR POLITICAL PARTIES. THE COMMITTEE SHALL SELECT ITS
 14 OWN CHAIRMAN.]