

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 259(FIN)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/19/24

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the compensation of state employees; relating to the salary of the**
2 **chief administrative law judge; and providing for an effective date."**

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

4 *** Section 1.** AS 39.27.011(m) is repealed and reenacted to read:

5 (m) If the basic monthly salaries paid to members of the supervisory
6 bargaining unit are increased under AS 23.40.215, the amounts set out in the salary
7 schedule in (a) of this section are increased at the same time and by the same
8 percentage of increase. The commissioner of administration shall, by regulation,
9 establish the percentage at which the salary schedule is increased and the increased
10 salary amount. The regulations relate to the internal management of state agencies,
11 and their adoption is not subject to AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure Act). The
12 regulations must be published in the Alaska Administrative Register and Code for
13 informational purposes.

14 *** Sec. 2.** AS 44.64.010(d) is amended to read:

1 (d) The chief administrative law judge shall receive a monthly salary that is
2 equal to a step in [NOT LESS THAN STEP A NOR MORE THAN STEP F,] Range
3 27 [,] of the salary schedule in AS 39.27.011(a) [FOR JUNEAU, ALASKA]. The
4 chief administrative law judge is in the partially exempt service.

5 * **Sec. 3.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
6 read:

7 SALARY INCREASES FOR CERTAIN EXEMPT OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES
8 OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH. The salary increases to AS 39.27.011(a) under
9 AS 39.27.011(m), as repealed and reenacted by sec. 1 of this Act, apply to public officers who
10 are in the exempt service under AS 39.25.110 and who are not members of a collective
11 bargaining unit established under AS 23.40.070 - 23.40.260 (Public Employment Relations
12 Act) or otherwise covered by AS 39.27.011(a). In this section, "public officers" includes
13 permanent and temporary employees in the executive branch, not including the governor, the
14 lieutenant governor, or the heads of principal departments of the executive branch.

15 * **Sec. 4.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
16 read:

17 SALARY INCREASES FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE JUDICIAL
18 BRANCH. The salary increases to AS 39.27.011(a) under AS 39.27.011(m), as repealed and
19 reenacted by sec. 1 of this Act, apply to permanent and temporary employees and magistrates
20 in the judicial branch of the state government who are not members of a collective bargaining
21 unit established under AS 23.40.070 - 23.40.260 (Public Employment Relations Act) and who
22 are not otherwise covered by AS 39.27.011(a).

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

25 SALARY INCREASES FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF
26 ALASKA. The employees of the University of Alaska who are not members of a collective
27 bargaining unit are entitled to receive salary increases in accordance with the compensation
28 policy of the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska.

29 * **Sec. 6.** This Act takes effect July 1, 2024.