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IN THE HOUSE

BY ~~the~~ *Committee on Labor and Management*

HOUSE BILL NO. 129

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act to create an Employment Security Commission of Alaska, and declaring an emergency."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA:

Section 1. There is hereby created a commission to be known as the Employment Security Commission of Alaska. The Commission shall consist of three members, who shall be appointed by the ~~President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives~~ <sup>Governor</sup>, by and with the consent of the legislature, in joint session of both houses, as soon as possible after passage and approval of this Act. Members of the Commission shall be residents of the Territory of Alaska <sup>and</sup> citizens of the United States, over the age of twenty-one years <sup>and</sup> <sup>During</sup> his term of membership on the Commission, no member shall serve as an officer or committee member of any political party organization, and not more than two members of the Commission shall be members of the same political party. <sup>One member shall be representative</sup> Each member shall hold office for a term of six years, except that:

(1) Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which his predecessor was appointed, shall be appointed for the remainder of that term; and if a vacancy occurs at a time when the legislature is not in session, through death, resignation, removal or disqualification, under this Act, a new member shall be appointed by the ~~President~~

*Industry or Management, one member shall be representative of labor, and the remaining member shall be representative of the public at large.*

*Governor*  
1 ~~of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives~~ to  
2 fill the vacancy who shall have the qualifications herein pre-  
3 scribed and who shall hold office for the remainder of the term  
4 for which his predecessor was appointed; and

5 (2) The terms of office of the members first taking office  
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act shall begin on the  
7 date of their appointment and shall expire, one on February 1,  
8 1955, one on February 1, 1957, and one on February 1, 1959.

9 The members of the Commission shall be Territorial officers,  
10 and before entering upon the discharge of their duties, shall  
11 take such oaths of office as are prescribed for Territorial  
12 officers. *Governor* The President ~~of the Senate and the Speaker of the~~  
13 ~~House of Representatives~~ may, at any time, after notice and hear-  
14 ing, remove any Commissioner for gross inefficiency, neglect of  
15 duty, malfeasance in office, or commission of a crime.

16 Upon the expiration of the term of a member, the President  
17 *Governor* ~~of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives~~  
18 shall submit the name of ~~his~~ successor for confirmation by the  
19 legislature then in session; if the *Governor* President ~~of the Senate and~~  
20 ~~the Speaker of the House of Representatives~~ *does* do not submit such  
21 name, the incumbent shall continue to hold office and to perform  
22 the duties thereof until his successor shall be appointed and  
23 confirmed by the legislature, as in this section provided, and  
24 no recess or interim appointments shall be made in such cases.

25 (3) The Commission shall appoint a director who shall be  
26 the chief executive of the Commission, whose compensation shall  
27 be Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500.00)  
28 per annum, payable in equal monthly installments; he shall be  
29 appointed for a term of four years and may be removed at the

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1 pleasure of the Commission. No person shall be appointed  
2 Director unless he is a citizen of the United States, a resi-  
3 dent of this Territory and has been such resident at least five  
4 years immediately preceding his appointment. The Director shall  
5 be subject to the supervision and direction of the Commission and  
6 shall perform such duties as the Commission may assign to him.

7 (b) One of the members of the Commission so appointed  
8 shall be chosen by all the members as Chairman of the Commission.  
9 ~~The members of the Commission shall receive no fixed salary, but~~  
10 ~~actual travel expenses and shall receive a per diem allowance~~  
11 ~~shall be paid at the rate of \$20.00 per day, plus necessary~~  
12 ~~for each day that they are away from home in connection~~  
13 ~~travel and expenses while actually engaged in the actual perform-~~  
14 ~~ance of their duties in carrying out the purposes of this Act.~~  
15 ~~The pay of all Commissioners shall be~~  
16 ~~from the unemployment compensation administration fund.~~  
17 *Members of the Commission shall be reimbursed for*

14 (c) Any two Commissioners shall constitute a quorum, and  
15 no vacancy shall impair the rights of the remaining Commissioners  
16 to exercise all the powers of the Commission.

17 Section 2. An emergency is hereby declared to exist, and  
18 This Act shall take effect immediately upon its passage and  
19 approval.