

1 IN THE HOUSE

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HOUSE BILL NO. 77

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

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TWENTY-THIRD SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to membership on the Legis-
7 lative Council; amending Sec. 2 of Ch. 69,
8 SLA 1953, as amended by Ch. 74, SLA, 1955;
9 and declaring an emergency."

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

11 Section 1. Section 2 of Ch. 69, SLA 1953, as amended by
12 Ch. 74, SLA 1955 is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

13 Section 2. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. MEMBERSHIP. There is
14 hereby created the Legislative Council of the Legislature of
15 the Territory of Alaska, which shall consist of four Senators
16 and four Representatives who shall be selected from the
17 Senate and the House of Representatives, respectively, by the
18 membership thereof within fifteen days after the passage and
19 approval of this Act and thereafter prior to the adjournment
20 of each regular session of the Legislature. The membership
21 from the Senate and the House, respectively, shall be by
22 nomination from among those members who declare their will-
23 ingness to accept membership on said Legislative Council prior
24 to the nomination. Whenever possible, membership for the
25 Council shall include at least two members from each of the
26 two major political parties. / THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
27 AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THREE
28 OTHER SENATORS AND THREE OTHER REPRESENTATIVES WHO SHALL BE
29 APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND SPEAKER OF THE

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1 HOUSE, RESPECTIVELY, WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER THE PASSAGE AND
2 APPROVAL OF THIS ACT, AND THEREAFTER PRIOR TO THE ADJOURN-
3 MENT OF EACH REGULAR SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE, THE MEMBER-
4 SHIP FROM EACH HOUSE SHALL INCLUDE ONE MEMBER FROM EACH
5 JUDICIAL DIVISION AND, WHENEVER POSSIBLE, THE MEMBERSHIP OF
6 THE COUNCIL SHALL INCLUDE AT LEAST TWO MEMBERS FROM EACH OF
7 THE TWO MAJOR POLITICAL PARTIES. Members shall serve until
8 their successors are appointed. When any vacancy exists in
9 the membership of the Council the President of the Senate
10 shall appoint some other member of the Senate to fill such
11 vacancy if the person previously filling such position was
12 a Senator and the Speaker of the House shall appoint some
13 other member of the House of Representatives to fill such
14 vacancy if the person previously filling such position was a
15 member of the House of Representatives, provided that any
16 such vacancy be filled by a person from the same political
17 party and from the same Division as that in which the
18 vacancy occurred, if possible.

19 Sec. 2. An emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this
20 Act shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval,
21 or upon its becoming law without such approval.