

1 IN THE HOUSE

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HOUSE BILL NO. 192

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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

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For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing an Alaska Youth Council;

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providing for its membership; defining its

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duties; and setting an effective date."

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

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Section 1. CREATION OF THE ALASKA YOUTH COUNCIL. There is

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hereby created an Alaska Youth Council, hereinafter referred to

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as the "Council".

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Sec. 2. COUNCIL MEMBERS. The Council shall consist of nine

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(9) members, to serve without compensation but to receive per diem

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and actual travel expenses. The membership shall include the fol-

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lowing persons:

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(1) One representative each from the Territorial Depart-

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ment of Education, The Board of Juvenile Institutions, and, The

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Department of Welfare, each to be appointed by the heads of the

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respective departments.

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(2) One member from each house of the Territorial

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Legislature, each to be appointed by the presiding officers thereof.

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(3) Four lay members, to be appointed by the Governor,

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not more than two of whom shall be of the same political party,

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not more than one of whom shall be selected from the same judicial

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division, and who shall be selected because of their recognized

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interest in youth. Of the four lay members appointed to serve on

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the original Council, two shall be appointed for the term of two

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years. Thereafter, the terms of each lay member shall be for a

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1 period of four years.

2       Sec. 3. CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN. The nine members of the  
3 Council so appointed shall elect from the four lay members a chair-  
4 man and a vice-chairman, each of whom shall serve in that capacity  
5 for a period of one year.

6       Sec. 4. DUTIES OF THE COUNCIL. The duties of the Alaska  
7 Youth Council shall be the following:

8           (1) To make a continuous study of the education, health,  
9 recreation, welfare, moral environment, economic and working condi-  
10 tions of children and youth with the objective of improving condi-  
11 tions which will safeguard and improve their welfare.

12           (2) To review legislation pertaining to services for  
13 children and youth and consider needed revisions, if any.

14           (3) To appraise the adequacy and accessibility of exist-  
15 ing services for children and youth within the Territory.

16           (4) To formulate, after consultation with individuals  
17 and agencies concerned with the welfare of children and youth,  
18 programs for improving existing conditions.

19           (5) To maintain contacts with governmental agencies  
20 and volunteer groups concerned with planning for children and  
21 youth.

22       Sec. 5. REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR. The council shall make a  
23 full and complete report of its findings and recommendations to  
24 the Governor, not later than November first in even number years,  
25 for his study, suggestions and submission to the Legislature. All  
26 recommendations to be accompanied with proposed legislation in  
27 draft bill form.

28       Sec. 6. APPROPRIATION. Funds for carrying out the provisions  
29 of this Act shall be set forth in the general appropriation bill.

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Sec. 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act shall take effect July 1,  
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