

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MR. GIERSDORF

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 51

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act changing the age of majority from
7 twenty-one years to nineteen years for
8 certain purposes; amending Sec. 20-1-1,
9 Sec. 55-2-15, and Sec. 62-1-14, ACLA 1949."

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

11 Section 1. Sec. 20-1-1, ACLA 1949, is hereby amended to read
12 as follows:

13 Sec. 20-1-1. AGE OF MAJORITY: RIGHTS AND LIABILITIES.

14 In the State ~~TERRITORY~~ all persons shall be deemed to have
15 arrived at majority at the age of nineteen ~~TWENTY-ONE~~ years,
16 and thereafter shall have control of their own actions and
17 business and have all the rights and be subject to all the
18 liabilities of citizens of full age.

19 Sec. 2. Sec. 55-2-15, ACLA 1949, is hereby amended to read
20 as follows:

21 Sec. 55-2-15. EXCEPTIONS AS TO PERSONS UNDER LEGAL
22 DISABILITY. If any person entitled to bring an action
23 mentioned in this article, or to recover real property, or
24 for a penalty or forfeiture, or against a marshal or other
25 officer for an escape, be at the time the cause of action
26 accrued, either --

27 First. Within the age of nineteen ~~TWENTY-ONE~~ years;

28 or

29 Second. Insane; or

1 Third. Imprisoned on a criminal charge, or in execu-
2 tion under sentence of a court for a term less than his
3 natural life.

4 The time of such disability shall not be a part of the
5 time limited for the commencement of the action, but the
6 period within which the action shall be brought shall not
7 be extended in any case longer than two years after such
8 disability ceases.

9 Sec. 3. Sec. 62-1-4, ACLA 1949, is hereby amended to read
10 as follows:

11 Sec. 62-1-4. POWERS AND DUTIES OF GUARDIANS: RIGHT OF
12 PARENTS TO CUSTODY AND EDUCATION. Every guardian so ap-
13 pointed shall have the custody and tuition of the minor and
14 the care and management of his estate, and shall continue
15 in office until the minor shall have arrived at the age of
16 nineteen ~~TWENTY-ONE~~ years, or until the guardian shall
17 have been discharged according to law: Provided, however,
18 The father of the minor, if living, and in case of his
19 death the mother, while she remains unmarried, being them-
20 selves respectively competent to transact their own business
21 shall be entitled to the custody of the person of the minor
22 and to the care of his education.