

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 223

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to members of the school  
7 boards of independent school districts; pre-  
8 scribing their terms; amending Sec. 37-3-42,  
9 ACLA 1949; repealing and re-enacting Sec.  
10 37-3-49, ACLA 1949; and providing for an  
11 effective date."

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

13 Section 1. Sec. 37-3-42, ACLA 1949 is hereby amended to read  
14 as follows:

15 Sec. 37-3-42. SCHOOL BOARD: MANAGEMENT OF SCHOOL  
16 MATTERS: ORGANIZATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS: ASSESSOR.  
17 Except as hereafter provided, each [EACH] Independent School  
18 District [SCHOOL DISTRICT] organized under the provisions of  
19 state law [THIS ACT] shall have a school board of five (5)  
20 members to be elected as hereinafter provided, who shall have  
21 the exclusive management and control of school matters in the  
22 district, subject to the State [TERRITORIAL] School Laws and  
23 regulations promulgated by the Commissioner of Education and  
24 the State [TERRITORIAL] Board of Education. Each school  
25 district whose average daily attendance exceeds 750 pupils  
26 per day, shall have a school board of seven (7) members,  
27 which board shall be elected and have the same powers and  
28 duties as the five-man board.

29 Within seven (7) days after each annual school board

1 election, which election shall be on the same day and at the  
2 same time as the city election in such districts, the board  
3 shall organize and annually elect one of its members as  
4 president, one as treasurer, and one as clerk of the board.  
5 Said board shall also have the power, and it shall be its  
6 duty, to appoint from its number or from among the residents  
7 of the Independent School District, an assessor who shall  
8 place an assessed valuation on all real and personal property  
9 outside the city included in the district and included within  
10 the limits of the district in accordance with the valuations  
11 of similar property within the city; and it shall further be  
12 his duty to act as tax collector in the district located  
13 outside the city, and who, before assuming the duties of his  
14 office shall take an oath in writing to honestly and faith-  
15 fully discharge the duties of his office.

16 Sec. 2. Sec. 37-3-49, ACLA 1949, is hereby repealed and  
17 re-enacted to read as follows:

18 Sec. 37-3-49. TERM OF OFFICE OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:  
19 STAGGERED TERMS. The terms of office of school board members  
20 of Independent School Districts shall be staggered terms of  
21 three (3) years each for both five-man and seven-man boards;  
22 except that from and after the effective date of this Act,  
23 the terms of office of members of existing five-man boards  
24 shall be as follows: Two members thereof shall serve only  
25 until the next regular school election, following the effec-  
26 tive date of this Act at which time their successors shall  
27 be elected for a full three-year term; the three remaining  
28 members shall serve until the second regular school election  
29 following the effective date of this Act at which time their

1 successors shall be elected for a full three-year term;  
2 and except further that from and after the effective date  
3 of this Act, the terms of office of seven-man school boards  
4 created by this Act shall be as follows: One member thereof  
5 shall serve only until the next regular school election  
6 following the effective date of this Act, at which time his  
7 successor as well as the two additional members of such  
8 board as required by the provisions of this Act shall be  
9 elected for a full three-year term; two of the remaining  
10 members shall serve until the second regular school election  
11 following the effective date of this Act at which time their  
12 successors shall be elected for a full three-year term; and  
13 the two other members shall serve until the third regular  
14 school election following the effective date of this Act  
15 at which time their successors shall be elected for a full  
16 three-year term.

17 Sec. 3. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its  
18 passage and approval or upon its becoming law without such  
19 approval.  
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