

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST
OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 259

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the succession to the
7 offices of governor and secretary of state;
8 amending Ch. 174, SLA 1959."

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

10 Section 1. Sec. 4, Ch. 174, SLA 1959, is amended to read
11 as follows:

12 Sec. 4. In the event the regularly elected secretary
13 of state succeeds to the office of governor as provided in
14 the Constitution of the State of Alaska and thereafter, during
15 the same regular gubernatorial term, the office of governor
16 again becomes vacant, the appointed secretary of state shall
17 succeed to the office of acting governor and shall call a
18 special election as provided in the Alaska Election Code.

19 [FOR THE INTERIM UNTIL A SPECIAL ELECTION TO ELECT A GOVER-
20 NOR AND SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL BE HELD, WHICH ELECTION
21 SHALL BE HELD WITHIN NOT LESS THAN SIXTY NOR MORE THAN
22 NINETY DAYS AFTER SUCH VACANCY OCCURS.]

23 Sec. 2. Sec. 5, Ch. 174, SLA 1959 is amended to read as
24 follows:

25 Sec. 5. If vacancies in the office of governor and the
26 office of secretary of state occur simultaneously, the per-
27 son appointed pursuant to Sec. 2 of this Act shall succeed
28 directly to the office of acting governor and shall call a
29 special election as provided in the Alaska Election Code.

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[UNTIL SUCCESSORS TO THE RESPECTIVE OFFICES ARE ELECTED IN
A SPECIAL ELECTION, WHICH SHALL BE HELD WITHIN NOT LESS THAN
SIXTY NOR MORE THAN NINETY DAYS AFTER THE OCCURRENCE OF SUCH
VACANCIES IN THE SAME MANNER AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS
ACT.]

Sec. 3. Secs. 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, Ch. 174, SLA 1959, are
repealed.

Sec. 4. This Act is effective on the day after its passage
and approval or upon the date it becomes law without such
approval.