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IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR BUCKALEW

SENATE BILL NO. 166

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the vesting of jurisdiction in the superior court of the State of Alaska, amending Sec. 31, Ch. 50, SLA 1959; repealing Subsecs. (2) and (4), Sec. 32, Ch. 50, SLA 1959 as amended by Ch. 151, SLA 1959, and all laws in conflict; and providing for an effective date."

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

Section 1. VESTING OF JURISDICTION IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

Sec. 31, Ch. 50, SLA 1959 is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 31. COMMENCEMENT AND TRANSFER OF CAUSES.

(1) The State courts for the State of Alaska shall be deemed organized for the purpose of transferring causes as provided in Section 17, Article XV of the Constitution of the State of Alaska, on and after the effective date of this Act. [THE 3RD DAY OF JANUARY, 1962. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT CAUSES MAY BE COMMENCED, FILED AND DETERMINED IN THE STATE COURTS IN EACH JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT THE TIME OF THE APPOINTMENT OF ONE OR MORE JUDGES FOR SUCH DISTRICT.]

(2) The jurisdiction [OF THE COURTS] of the State superior court [IN THIS ACT PROVIDED] shall be exclusive from and after the effective date of this Act and this Act is specifically intended to [3RD DAY OF JANUARY, 1962 BUT PRIOR TO THAT DATE SHALL BE NON-EXCLUSIVE, AND NOTHING IN THIS

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ACT SHALL DIMINISH OR] deprive the District Court of the State of Alaska [OR THE COURT OF APPEALS OR THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES] of the jurisdiction [AS] provided by Public [PUBIC] Law 508, 85th Congress, and other laws applicable thereto.

Sec. 2. RATIFICATION OF THE ACTS OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA. All acts of the Supreme Court of the State of Alaska occurring prior to the effective date of this Act are hereby ratified.

Sec. 3. REPEAL. Subsecs. (2) and (4) of Sec. 32, Ch. 50, SLA 1959, as amended by Ch. 151, SLA 1959, and all laws inconsistent or in conflict with this Act shall be deemed repealed or amended in accordance with the provisions herein.

Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval or upon its becoming law without such approval.