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IN THE SENATE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

SENATE BILL NO. 189

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to sick and disabled fishermen; amending the State Organization Act of 1959 by providing for a Fishermen's Fund Advisory and Appeals Council; amending Sec. 13, Ch. 64, SLA 1959."

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

Section 1. Sec. 13, Ch. 64, SLA 1959 is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 13. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR. There shall be a principal executive officer of the Department of Labor to be known as the Commissioner of Labor

The Department of Labor is hereby vested with the duties, powers, and responsibilities involved in the enforcement of laws, and in the promulgation of rules and regulations under such laws, concerned with employer-employee relationships, including the safety, hours of work, wages, and conditions of workers, including women and children; the accumulation, analysis, and reporting of labor statistics; and the operation of systems of workmen's compensation and unemployment insurance. The functions and authority heretofore performed and exercised by the Employment Security Commission, the Director of Employment Security, the Alaska Territorial Employment Service, the Territorial Advisory Council, the Alaska Safety Council and Executive Board and

1 the Safety Director; the Department of Labor, the Commis-
2 sioner of Labor, the Alaska Industrial Board; and the Board
8 for the Care of Sick and Disabled Fishermen are hereby trans-
4 ferred to the Department of Labor.

5 There is hereby created within the Department of Labor
6 an Employment Security Advisory Council consisting of five
7 members appointed by the Governor for overlapping five-year
8 terms, two members to represent employers, two to represent
9 employees, and one to represent the general public.

10 There is hereby created within the Department of Labor
11 a Fishermen's Fund Advisory and Appeals Council with which
12 the Commissioner of Labor shall consult before rendering a
18 negative decision on any appeal which has been filed with him
14 in relation to the care of sick and disabled fishermen. The
15 Board shall be composed of the commissioner or his designee
16 acting as chairman and four other members appointed by the
17 Governor for overlapping four-year terms from the following
18 districts:

19 District 1: Wrangell and areas south:

20 District 2: Petersburg and areas north to include
21 Yakutat:

22 District 3: Areas west of Yakutat to East Coast of
23 Alaska Peninsula, including Prince William Sound, Cook Inlet,
24 and Kodiak:

25 District 4: Areas west of Alaska Peninsula, inclu-
26 ding Bristol Bay.