

1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 97

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing a tourist attraction
7 development program; and providing for an
8 effective date."

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

10 Section 1. Any political subdivision of the state, and any
11 non-profit organization formed under Art. 1, Chapter 4, Title 36,
12 ACLA 1949 or any bona fide non-profit civic, fraternal or service
13 organization which is certified as qualified as developing, as one
14 of its purposes, tourist attractions as hereafter described in
15 Sec. 2 by the Commissioner of Commerce and director of the division
16 of tourism, Department of Commerce, is eligible to apply for and
17 receive tourist attraction development matching money from the
18 state.

19 Sec. 2. Tourist attraction development matching money may be
20 secured by such subdivisions and organizations for the purpose of
21 developing such tourist attractions of historical or contemporary
22 interest as are found to be worthwhile by the Commissioner of
23 Commerce and director of tourism. Available monies will be divided
24 in a fair and equitable basis between applicants and in no case
25 shall any applicant receive more than one thousand dollars on
26 first application. Tourist attraction development may include the
27 production, preservation and display of historical documents,
28 artifacts, totem poles, historical markers, Native dances, blanket
29 tossing, Native handicraft and art, and any other worthwhile

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1 tourist attraction dealing with Alaskan history or culture but not
2 in the preparation and distribution of community and other
3 advertising material. In order to qualify for tourist attraction
4 development matching money, a sub-division or organization must
5 first submit and have approved by the Commissioner of Commerce and
6 Director of Tourism, any plans, programs, contracts or agreements
7 that will be used for carrying out the development of the tourist
8 attraction.

9 Sec. 3. Any subdivision or organization found qualified to
10 participate under the terms of this Act may receive one dollar in
11 state matching money for each dollar expended by the subdivision
12 or organization for tourist attractions, within the limits of
13 available state appropriations and considering the needs of other
14 qualified subdivisions and organizations.

15 Sec. 4. This Act shall be administered by the Commissioner
16 of Commerce and the director of the division of tourism. All
17 participating sub-divisions and organizations must submit to the
18 Commissioner of Commerce and Director of Tourism complete reports
19 covering both the expenditure of state and local matching money
20 for tourist attraction programs. These reports, in the case of
21 programs extending over twelve months, shall be submitted annually.
22 Reports on shorter matching programs shall be submitted at the
23 completion of the program.

24 Sec. 5. Appropriations to carry out this Act should be made
25 from the general fund.

26 Sec. 6. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage
27 and approval or on the day it becomes law without such approval.

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29 Passed by the House February 23, 1961

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