

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MR. PARSONS

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 222

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act creating a special committee to
7 select candidates for appointment as the
8 first commissioner of mental health; and
9 providing for an effective date."

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

11 Section 1. There is hereby created a special committee of
12 five persons appointed by the governor for the purpose of select-
13 ing candidates for the post of commissioner of mental health.
14 The governor shall appoint the members from among medical and
15 mental health personnel not in the employ of the state and, as
16 far as possible, from among the four major election districts
17 of the state, within 60 days of the effective date of this Act.

18 Sec. 2. The committee shall elect a chairman from its mem-
19 bership. The committee is empowered to meet whenever and where-
20 ever it deems necessary. Members shall be compensated for
21 necessary travel and other expenses and the committee is author-
22 ized, with prior notification to the governor, to pay the expenses
23 of candidates being interviewed. Within six months after the
24 appointment of the full committee, the committee shall make an
25 initial report on the candidates it wishes to recommend. When
26 the committee has made its final report, the governor shall appoint
27 the first commissioner of mental health from the list of candi-
28 dates submitted by the committee.

29 Sec. 3. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage

1 and approval or on the day it becomes law without such approval.

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