

1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 420

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act abolishing Public Service Commission  
7 and transferring its functions and authority  
8 to the Department of Commerce; and providing  
9 for an effective date."

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

11 \* Section 1. On July 1, 1964, the Public Service Commission is  
12 abolished and all its functions and authority are transferred to  
13 the Department of Commerce.

14 \* Sec. 2. AS 42.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:  
15 Sec. 42.05.005. ADMINISTRATION OF CHAPTER. The Depart-  
16 ment of Commerce shall administer this chapter.

17 \* Sec. 3. AS 44.33 is amended by adding new sections to read:

18 ARTICLE 3. PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

19 Sec. 44.33.080. PUBLIC SERVICE DIVISION. There is  
20 created in the Department of Commerce the public service  
21 division. The public service division has supervisory author-  
22 ity over the administration of AS 02.05, 28.05.025, 42.10,  
23 and 42.15. The public service division shall administer  
24 AS 42.05.

25 Sec. 44.33.090. AIR COMMERCE SECTION. There is created  
26 in the public service division the air commerce section.  
27 The air commerce section shall administer AS 02.05.

28 Sec. 44.33.100. MOTOR TRANSPORTATION SECTION. There is  
29 created in the public service division the motor transport-

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ation section. The motor transportation section shall administer AS 28.05.025, 42.10, and 42.15.

\* Sec. 4. After the effective date of this Act, the Public Service Commission may not begin any hearing it cannot complete before July 1, 1964. A hearing before the Public Service Commission which is not completed before July 1, 1964, is discontinued without prejudice to any party, and may be begun again before the Department of Commerce.

\* Sec. 5. The Department of Commerce, before August 15, 1964, may adopt Public Service Commission regulations by transmitting them to the secretary of state for filing, without complying with the other provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62). Public Service Commission regulations continue in effect until August 15, 1964, unless sooner adopted or repealed by the Department of Commerce.

\* Sec. 6. AS 42.05.010 - 42.05.130; 42.05.160 - 42.05.180; and 42.05.650 are repealed.

\* Sec. 7. Secs. 2, 3, and 6 of this Act are operative on July 1, 1964.

\* Sec. 8. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without such approval.