

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
COMMITTEE

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HOUSE BILL NO. 72

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the levy of special
7 assessments by political subdivisions of the
8 state for water supply and distribution
9 systems; and providing for an effective
10 date."

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

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* Section 1. AS 29.10.246 is amended to read:

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Sec. 29.10.246. ASSESSMENTS FOR IMPROVEMENTS AGAINST
PROPERTY BENEFITED. The council may assess against the real
property specially benefited by the improvements two-thirds
of the cost of laying out, grading, constructing or repairing
a street, alley or sidewalk, constructing or repairing a
sewer or drain, constructing or repairing water supply and
distribution systems, acquiring and constructing parks or
playgrounds or making changes in channels of streams or water-
courses or constructing, erecting, strengthening or repairing
bulkheads, embankments or dikes for streams or watercourses.
The costs shall be assessed against the real property
specially benefited in proportion to the benefits received by
each tract of land. However, no assessment may be levied for
an improvement unless the improvement is requested of the city
council in writing by the owners of at least one-half in
value of the property to be specially benefited by the im-
provement. The expense assessed may include the cost to the

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city of acquiring premises for the improvements.

* Sec. 2. AS 29.10.297 is amended to read:

Sec. 29.10.297. STREET, WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS
BY DISTRICTS. In cities of the first class, the council, by
general ordinance or special ordinance or both may create and
maintain street, water and sewer improvement districts, and
establish, change and revise their boundaries from time to
time; erect, build, establish, lay out, alter, open, improve
and repair streets, sewers, water supply and distribution sys-
tems, avenues, sidewalks, alleys, bridges, squares and other
public highways and places within the city, and drain,
sprinkle and light them; remove all obstructions; establish
grades; grade, plank, pave, macadamize, gravel and curb them,
in whole or in part, and construct gutters, culverts, side-
walks and crosswalks, and levy, apportion, assess and col-
lect the cost or any part of it against and from the property
within the [STREET AND SEWER] improvement district. The coun-
cil may determine what work shall be done or improvements
made at the expense, in whole or in part, of the owners of
the adjoining, contiguous or proximate property, or non-
contiguous and other properties within an improvement dis-
trict specially benefited thereby, and provide for the manner
of making, apportioning and collecting assessments therefor.

* Sec. 3. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage
and approval or on the day it becomes law without such approval.