

1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 174

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act authorizing a single organized
7 borough for Southeastern Alaska including
8 proposed boundary extensions for cities of
9 Southeastern Alaska; and providing for an
10 effective date."

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

12 * Section 1. PURPOSE. The purpose of this Act is to enable
13 the exercise of borough functions on a coordinated regional basis
14 in Southeastern Alaska and to place primary responsibility on
15 incorporated cities in Southeastern Alaska for local government
16 within populated areas adjacent to their present boundaries.

17 * Sec. 2. INCORPORATION. That territory within the boundaries
18 of Senate Election District A - Southeastern is hereby authorized
19 to become a municipal corporation and an organized borough of the
20 first or second class as determined by local election, to be known
21 by official title as the Borough of Southeastern Alaska, and to
22 possess all the rights, powers, duties and functions of an organ-
23 ized borough of its class incorporated as prescribed by AS 07.

24 * Sec. 3. DISSOLUTION. The boroughs designated in this
25 section shall be dissolved and their assets and liabilities trans-
26 ferred to the borough incorporated by this Act:

27 (1) the Gateway Borough, consisting of the territory
28 described in that Certificate declaring the Gateway Borough an
29 organized borough of the second class and a municipal corporation,

1 and issued at Juneau by the Secretary of Alaska on the 30th day of
2 September, 1963;

3 (2) the Greater Juneau Borough, consisting of the
4 territory described in that Certificate declaring the Greater
5 Juneau Borough an organized borough of the first class and a
6 municipal corporation, and issued by the Secretary of State at
7 Juneau on the 30th day of September, 1963;

8 (3) the Greater Sitka Borough, consisting of the
9 territory described in that Certificate declaring the Greater
10 Sitka Borough to be an organized borough of the second class and
11 a municipal corporation, and issued at Juneau by the Secretary of
12 State on the 30th day of September, 1963.

13 * Sec. 4. ELECTION. The secretary of state shall hold an
14 election for all officers of the borough incorporated by this Act,
15 for determination of whether the borough shall be of the first
16 class or second class, and for determination of whether the
17 borough shall have an elected chairman or appointed manager.
18 Provided, that initially the Borough of Southeastern Alaska must
19 be approved by a majority of voters in each of the House Districts,
20 1 through 5. The election shall be conducted insofar as appli-
21 cable in the manner prescribed by AS 07.10.120(b) - (d) and (f) -
22 (h).

23 * Sec. 5. BOROUGH SEAT. The borough assembly shall by ordin-
24 ance designate the official seat of the borough incorporated by
25 this Act.

26 * Sec. 6. CITY BOUNDARY EXTENSIONS. The director of the local
27 affairs agency shall as soon as possible propose to the local
28 boundary commission extensions of the boundaries of incorporated
29 cities located within the territory of boroughs dissolved by this

1 Act. The director shall propose the maximum extensions feasible
2 consistent with the ability of the cities to provide an adequate
3 level of governmental services within the territory to which the
4 boundaries are proposed to be extended. The proposals shall be
5 consistent with the standards prescribed by the local boundary
6 commission for changing local boundary lines or for extending
7 services or ordinances of incorporated cities into contiguous
8 areas.

9 * Sec. 7. This Act takes effect November 1, 1965.

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