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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 437

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act creating the Northwestern Alaska  
7 Development Committee; and providing for an  
8 effective date."

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

10 \* Section 1. AS 44.37 is amended by adding new sections to  
11 read:

12 ARTICLE 2. NORTHWESTERN  
13 ALASKA DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

14 Sec. 44.37.100. NORTHWESTERN ALASKA DEVELOPMENT COM-  
15 MITTEE. There is created in the Department of Natural  
16 Resources the Northwestern Alaska Development Committee.

17 Sec. 44.37.110. PURPOSE OF COMMITTEE. The committee  
18 shall make studies and reports on the feasibility of opening  
19 up northwestern Alaska by the extension of the Alaska Rail-  
20 road to points in northwestern Alaska.

21 Sec. 44.37.120. COMPOSITION AND APPOINTMENT OF COM-  
22 MITTEE. The committee consists of five citizens of Alaska  
23 appointed by the governor on a nonpartisan basis to give  
24 representation on the committee to major groups interested  
25 in the economic development of northwestern Alaska. Members  
26 of the committee are appointed as set out in AS 39.05.060.  
27 The commissioner of natural resources shall be an ex officio  
28 member of the committee without a vote.

29 Sec. 44.37.130. COMPENSATION AND PER DIEM. Members of

1 the committee serve without compensation but are entitled to  
2 per diem and travel expenses authorized by law for other  
3 boards and commissions.

4 Sec. 44.37.140. CHAIRMAN AND QUORUM. At the first  
5 meeting, the committee shall elect a chairman from among its  
6 members. Three members constitute a quorum.

7 Sec. 44.37.150. PERSONNEL. The committee shall employ  
8 sufficient personnel to carry out the provisions of secs.  
9 100 - 180 of this chapter.

10 Sec. 44.37.160. POWERS AND DUTIES. The committee shall

11 (1) use every appropriate means to determine the  
12 advisability of having extensions of the Alaska Railroad in-  
13 to northwestern Alaska;

14 (2) study the need for and cost factors involved  
15 in having various extensions of the Alaska Railroad into  
16 northwestern Alaska;

17 (3) consider the advisability of state participa-  
18 tion in the construction of extensions of the Alaska Railroad  
19 into northwestern Alaska.

20 Sec. 44.37.170. REPORT TO LEGISLATURE. The committee  
21 shall make an annual report to the legislature of its find-  
22 ings and expenditures.

23 Sec. 44.37.180. COMMITTEE DISSOLVED. The committee  
24 shall dissolve upon making its final report to the legislature  
25 but not later than April 1, 1968.

26 \* Sec. 2. 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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