

1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST  
OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 513

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the general operation  
7 and procedure of the legislature; and pro-  
8 viding for an effective date."

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

10 \* Section 1. AS 24.05.050 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

11 Sec. 24.05.050. MEMBERSHIP ON BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

12 A member of the legislature may serve on a board or commis-  
13 sion of the state government only if the membership of  
14 legislators on the board or commission is specifically  
15 authorized by law.

16 \* Sec. 2. AS 24.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:

17 Sec. 24.05.085. RESIGNATION. A member resigns by sub-  
18 mitting his resignation in writing to the presiding officer  
19 of the house to which he was elected or appointed, with in-  
20 formation copies to the governor and the executive director  
21 of the legislative council for appropriate administrative  
22 action. The resignation is effective on the date specified  
23 in the resignation or 10 days after the date of mailing the  
24 resignation, whichever is later. The resignation may be  
25 withdrawn during this period.

26 \* Sec. 3. AS 24.05.190 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

27 Sec. 24.05.190. CONTROL OF LEGISLATIVE SPACE. (a)

28 The chamber, galleries, and adjoining offices and lobbies  
29 occupied by each house for the conduct of its business are

1 under the jurisdiction and control of the presiding officer  
2 of that house during legislative session. Committee rooms,  
3 lobbies and other facilities jointly occupied by both houses  
4 in the conduct of legislative business are under the joint  
5 control of the rules committees during sessions. Space  
6 occupied in the capitol by the legislative council or its  
7 agency is subject to control and assignment by the council  
8 and the council is responsible for the interim control and  
9 use of all legislative space in the capitol between legisla-  
10 tive sessions.

11 (b) Access to legislative space during sessions is  
12 generally governed by the uniform rules of the legislature  
13 and by (a) of this section. During a session of the legisla-  
14 ture no person not a member or an authorized employee of the  
15 legislature or its agencies may, without the invitation of  
16 the presiding officer or the house, enter upon the floor of  
17 either house while it is sitting, or enter upon the floor of  
18 either house during a recess or when adjourned for the day,  
19 without the invitation of a member of that house.

20 \* Sec. 4. AS 24.20.050 is amended to read:

21 Sec. 24.20.050. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND STAFF. The  
22 council hires an executive director and determines his  
23 salary. The executive director shall serve as the executive  
24 officer for [OF] the council in the accomplishment of its  
25 functions through the legislative affairs agency. He serves  
26 at the direction and at the pleasure of the council. He is  
27 authorized to employ and determine the compensation of the  
28 members of the professional and clerical staffs of the agency  
29 within the limitation of the budget approved by the council.

1 The executive director and the members of the professional  
2 staff shall maintain the integrity of the council's functions  
3 and services on behalf of the legislative branch by refrain-  
4 ing from joining or supporting any partisan political  
5 organization, faction or activity which would tend to under-  
6 mine the essential nonpartisan nature of their functions and  
7 services. However, this section does not restrict the  
8 executive director or members of the professional staff from  
9 expressing private opinion, registering or voting.

10 \* Sec. 5. AS 24.20.060(4) is repealed and re-enacted to read:

11 (4) in addition to providing the administrative  
12 services required for the operation of the legislative branch,

13 (A) provide the technical staff assistance  
14 in research, reporting, drafting and counselling re-  
15 quested by standing, interim and special committees and  
16 spot research and drafting services for individual  
17 members in conformity with law and legislative rules;

18 (B) conduct a continuing program for the re-  
19 vision and publication of the acts of the legislature;

20 (C) execute a program for the oversight of  
21 the administration and construction of laws by state  
22 agencies and the courts through regulations, opinions  
23 and rulings;

24 (D) provide the legislature through the  
25 finance committees with comprehensive budget review and  
26 fiscal analysis services;

27 (E) operate and maintain the state legisla-  
28 tive reference library; and

29 (F) do all things necessary to carry out

1 legislative directives and law, and the duties set forth  
2 in the uniform rules of the legislature;

3 \* Sec. 6. AS 24.20.080 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

4 Sec. 24.20.080. INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION. The  
5 council may encourage and arrange conferences with officials  
6 of other states and nations and of other units of government  
7 and propose cooperation between this state and other states  
8 and nations. The council chairman and four other council  
9 members designated by the council, and including at least  
10 one minority party member, two designees of the governor  
11 from the executive branch, and one designee of the chief  
12 justice from the judicial branch, constitute the Alaska Com-  
13 mission on Interstate Cooperation in participating in and  
14 carrying out the programs of the Council of State Governments  
15 as they apply to Alaska. The chairman of the council serves  
16 as chairman of the commission.

17 \* Sec. 7. AS 24.35.010 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

18 Sec. 24.35.010. LEGISLATIVE DOCUMENTS. (a) When the  
19 governor has signed a bill or allowed it to become law with-  
20 out his signature, and when he has signed or noted resolu-  
21 tions, his office is to deliver the original enrolled copy  
22 of each law or resolution to the executive director of the  
23 legislative council. The director shall sign for each bill  
24 and resolution and when it has been photographed for dupli-  
25 cation it shall be returned on receipt to the office of the  
26 governor.

27 (b) The secretary of state shall file the original  
28 enrolled copies of all acts and resolutions and all executive  
29 orders having the effect of law which were submitted by the

1 governor to the legislature and which were not rejected by  
2 it. These documents shall be kept on file for at least two  
3 years. All laws and executive orders having the force of law  
4 in the cumulative supplements to or pamphlets of the Alaska  
5 Statutes are prima facie a part of the Alaska Statutes.

6 (c) The legislative council is responsible for  
7 arranging for the production, editing, publishing and distri-  
8 bution of the laws of each session. The executive director  
9 shall have the slip law copies of the enrolled acts produced  
10 in sufficient quantity for one complete set to be provided  
11 each legislator pending the publication of supplements to the  
12 Alaska Statutes. The commissioner of administration is to  
13 receive sufficient copies of the slip laws for official state  
14 distribution and he may charge for other distribution on the  
15 basis of production and handling costs.

16 \* Sec. 8. AS 01.10.070 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

17 Sec. 01.10.070. TIME STATUTES TAKE EFFECT. (a) All  
18 laws passed by the legislature become effective 90 days  
19 after enactment. The legislature may by concurrence of  
20 two-thirds of the membership of each house, provide for  
21 another effective date.

22 (b) The actual effective date of a bill having no  
23 effective date clause is determined by starting with the day  
24 after signature by the governor or the day on which he gives  
25 written notice that he is allowing it to become law without  
26 his signature, and counting 90 calendar days, the law  
27 becoming effective at 12:01 a.m., Pacific Standard Time,  
28 on the 90th day.

29 (c) A law having an immediate effective date clause

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becomes law at 12:01 a.m., on the day after it is signed by the governor or on the day after he has given written notice that he is allowing the law to become effective without his approval.

(d) A law which specified a definite effective date becomes effective at 12:01 a.m., Pacific Standard Time, on the date specified.

\* Sec. 9. AS 24.15.070 and AS 24.30.110 are repealed.

\* Sec. 10. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without such approval.