

1 IN THE SENATE BY SENATOR KILCHER

2 SENATE BILL NO. 89

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the election of borough
7 assemblymen."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 07.30 is amended by adding new sections to
10 read:

11 Sec. 07.30.101. BOROUGH SECTIONS. (a) In order to
12 provide representation to separate and distinct areas in the
13 borough, the local affairs agency shall establish sections
14 for the election of assemblymen representing the area out-
15 side first class cities.

16 (b) This section applies only to boroughs not appor-
17 tioned into election sections on or after the effective date
18 of this Act. Election sections in other boroughs shall con-
19 tinue in effect subject to law.

20 Sec. 07.30.102. APPLICATION OF SECS. 103 - 106 OF THIS
21 CHAPTER. The provisions of secs. 103 - 106 of this chapter
22 apply to all boroughs.

23 Sec. 07.30.103. NUMBER OF SECTIONS. The number of
24 election sections in a borough shall equal its number of
25 assemblymen representing the area outside first class cities.

26 Sec. 07.30.104. STANDARDS OF APPORTIONMENT. Borough
27 sections shall be apportioned as nearly as possible on the
28 basis of equal voter representation among different sections,
29 as determined from the records of the last general election.

1 Due consideration shall be given clarity of boundaries,
2 compactness of area, and homogeneity of interest within a
3 section. No section may have a number of voters which is
4 less than three-quarters that of any other borough section,
5 as determined from the records of the last general election.

6 Sec. 07.30.105. REAPPORTIONMENT. Reapportionment of
7 the borough assembly under AS 07.20.030 includes and governs
8 reapportionment of borough sections.

9 Sec. 07.30.106. ELECTION FROM SECTIONS. (a) Borough
10 assemblymen representing the area outside first class
11 cities shall be elected from the sections in which they re-
12 side. Voters residing outside first class cities may vote
13 on the candidacy of all the candidates, but candidates from
14 each section run only against other candidates from the same
15 section.

16 (b) A borough assembly may by ordinance vary (a) of
17 this section to provide that the voters of each section may
18 vote only upon the candidacy of candidates residing in that
19 section. The ordinance must be approved by a majority of
20 the voters residing within all the borough sections and
21 voting on the question.

22 Sec. 07.30.107. SECTIONS IN PROPOSED BOROUGH. When an
23 election for the incorporation of a proposed organized
24 borough is ordered, the local affairs agency shall, as soon
25 as possible and in no event later than 45 days before the
26 election, establish sections for the election of assemblymen
27 representing the area outside cities. Apportionment and elec-
28 tion from sections shall be as prescribed in sec. 104 and
29 106(a) of this chapter.

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* Sec. 2. AS 07.30.100 is repealed.