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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 204

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing the Alaska Highway Improvement  
7 Commission; and providing for an effective date."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 44.19 is amended by adding new sections to read:

10 ARTICLE 5(a). ALASKA HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION.

11 Sec. 44.19.392. CREATION OF COMMISSION. There is established in  
12 the Office of the Governor an Alaska Highway Improvement Commission.

13 Sec. 44.19.393. COMPOSITION AND TERMS OF OFFICE. The commission  
14 consists of three residents of Alaska, appointed by the governor on a  
15 nonpartisan basis, who have knowledge of, and interest in, the economic  
16 benefit to Alaska which would result from the paving of the Alaska  
17 Highway within Canada and the improvement of facilities along the  
18 highway in both Alaska and Canada. Members of the commission are  
19 appointed for three-year terms except that of the initial appointments  
20 made to the commission, one member shall serve for one year, one member  
21 for two years, and one member for three years.

22 Sec. 44.19.394. COMPENSATION AND PER DIEM. Members of the com-  
23 mission serve without compensation but are entitled to travel allowances  
24 and per diem authorized by law for members of boards and commissions.

25 Sec. 44.19.395. CHAIRMAN, QUORUM, AND MEETINGS. (a) The governor  
26 shall appoint a chairman for the commission.

27 (b) A majority of the commission constitutes a quorum for the  
28 transaction of business.

29 (c) The commission shall meet at least twice every calendar year.

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1           **Sec. 44.19.396. DUTIES.** The commission shall

2           (1) appropriately publicize, as the governor may direct, the  
3 importance of having the entire length of the Alaska Highway paved and  
4 of improving facilities along the highway;

5           (2) inform and make representations, as the governor may  
6 direct, to the appropriate agencies of the United States and Canadian  
7 governments regarding the benefits to be gained from the paving and  
8 improvement of the Alaska Highway and, if requested, to assist these  
9 agencies to attain information relating to these projects;

10           (3) recommend to the governor action to further these  
11 purposes.

12           **Sec. 44.19.397. ANNUAL REPORT.** The commission shall make an  
13 annual report to the legislature regarding its activities.

14 \* **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect July 1, 1967.