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Referred: Local Government

BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
COMMITTEE

1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 694

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to elections on a proposed charter
7 for a unified local government; and providing for an
8 effective date."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 29.85.120(a) is amended to read:

11 (a) A charter commission established under this chapter shall
12 prepare, adopt and submit a proposed home rule charter for the area
13 to be unified to the voters for approval or rejection at a special
14 borough election called by the borough assembly in accordance with the
15 notice requirements of AS 07.30.030 and held within 60 days of the
16 date of publication and posting of the proposed charter as required
17 in sec. 150 of this chapter [EITHER THE FIRST OR SECOND REGULAR BOROUGH
18 ELECTION OCCURRING AFTER THE DATE OF THE CHARTER COMMISSION'S FIRST
19 MEETING, A PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER FOR THE AREA TO BE UNIFIED].

20 The charter shall include among its provisions:

21 (1) provisions for adjustment of existing bonded indebted-
22 ness and other obligations in a manner which will preserve a fair and
23 equitable burden of taxation for debt service;

24 (2) provision for the establishment of

25 (A) service areas;

26 (B) sections, if desired; and

27 (C) reapportionment of the sections, if established;

28 (3) provision for nonpartisan government and provision for
29 the selection, organization, authority and responsibilities of the

1 governing body and its executive;

2 (4) the transfer or other disposition of property and other
3 rights, claims, assets and franchises of the local government to be
4 unified under the charter;

5 (5) provision for exercise of the rights of initiative and
6 referendum as required by AS 29.65.060;

7 (6) a method of amending the charter;

8 (7) the date on which the charter, if approved at the
9 charter election required by sec. 160 of this chapter, is effective;

10 (8) designation of the new municipality's official name,
11 subject to the provisions of (b) of this section;

12 (9) other charter provisions which the charter commission
13 elects to include and which may be included in a home rule charter
14 under this chapter and the constitution of the state.

15 * Sec. 2. AS 29.85.160(d) is amended to read:

16 (d) If a proposed charter is rejected, the charter commission
17 shall prepare, adopt and submit a [DIFFERENT] proposed charter to the
18 voters at a general or a special borough election called by the borough
19 assembly in accordance with the notice requirements of AS 07.30.030 and
20 held within one year of the date of the first charter election [THE NEXT
21 REGULAR BOROUGH ELECTION]. If the second proposed charter is also
22 rejected, the charter commission shall be dissolved and the question
23 of unification shall be treated as if it had never been proposed or
24 approved.

25 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval
26 or on the day it becomes law without approval.