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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY
REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 SENATE BILL NO. 110

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to succession to the office of
7 governor; and providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 44.19.120 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 44.19.120. APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TO SECRETARY OF STATE.

11 After taking his initial term of office, the governor shall appoint,
12 from among the officers who head the principal departments of the
13 state government or otherwise, four persons [A PERSON] to succeed to
14 the office of secretary of state and the order in which they will
15 serve if the office of secretary of state becomes vacant. The
16 appointments are [APPOINTMENT IS] subject to confirmation by a
17 majority of the members of the legislature meeting in joint session.
18 The persons [PERSON] designated and confirmed serve at [IS NEXT IN
19 LINE FOR SUCCESSION TO THE OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE, SUBJECT TO]
20 the pleasure of the governor. If any [THE] person designated and
21 confirmed is removed from or vacates the appointment, the governor
22 shall appoint a successor subject to confirmation in the same manner
23 as the person initially appointed.

24 * Sec. 2. AS 44.19.130 is amended to read:

25 Sec. 44.19.130. SUCCESSION TO OFFICE. If a vacancy occurs in
26 the office of governor and the regularly elected secretary of state
27 succeeds to the office of governor as provided by art. III, sec. 11,
28 of the constitution, or if the office of secretary of state otherwise
29 becomes vacant, the person designated as next successor to the office

1 of secretary of state as provided in sec. 120 of this chapter
2 succeeds to the office of secretary of state for the remainder of the
3 term vacated, or until a special election is held. When any [THE]
4 person appointed under sec. 120 of this chapter succeeds to the office
5 of secretary of state, the governor shall appoint a person to fill the
6 vacancy so created [SUCCEED TO THE OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE IN
7 CASE OF A SUBSEQUENT VACANCY].

8 * Sec. 3. AS 44.19.150 is amended to read:

9 Sec. 44.19.150. SIMULTANEOUS VACANCIES. If vacancies in the
10 office of governor and the office of secretary of state occur
11 simultaneously, the persons [PERSON] appointed under sec. 120 of this
12 chapter succeed [SUCCEEDS] directly to the office of acting governor
13 and acting secretary of state in the order designated until successors
14 to the respective offices are elected in a special election.

15 * Sec. 4. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and
16 approval or on the day it becomes law without approval.
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