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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 283

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for adjustment of local taxes on
7 real property damaged or destroyed during the assess-
8 ment year; and providing for an effective date."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 29.10 is amended by adding a new section to read:

11 Sec. 29.10.305. REDUCTION OF TAX ON PROPERTY DAMAGED OR DESTROYED
12 DURING ASSESSMENT YEAR. (a) A taxpayer whose real property subject to
13 tax is damaged or destroyed during the assessment year by fire, flood
14 or other event not caused by his own wilful act is entitled to re-
15 assessment of the property and reduction of taxes for that part of the
16 tax year following the event which causes loss. Reassessment shall be
17 made only upon application of the taxpayer during the assessment year
18 upon forms prepared and supplied by the assessor and requiring infor-
19 mation necessary to determine eligibility under this subsection.

20 (b) Upon reassessment of the property the assessor shall recom-
21 pute the tax due on the property, and if the tax due is less than the
22 amount of taxes already paid on the property for the tax year, a re-
23 fund shall be made to the taxpayer.

24 (c) A taxpayer whose property is reassessed under (a) of this
25 section may appeal the reassessment at an equalization hearing held as
26 provided in this chapter, except that a notice of appeal shall be filed
27 with the Board of Equalization within 10 days after notice of
28 assessment is given to the person appealing. If notice of appeal is
29 not given within 10 days, the right of appeal ceases as to any matter

1 within the jurisdiction of the board, unless it is shown to the satis-
2 faction of the board that the taxpayer was unable to appeal within that
3 time.

4 * Sec. 2. AS 29.08.010 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (c) AS 29.10.395, relating to tax adjustments on real property
6 which is damaged or destroyed, applies to home rule cities.

7 * Sec. 3. AS 07.12.200 is amended to read:

8 Sec. 07.12.200. LIMIT ON HOME RULE TAXING POWER. (a) AS 29.30.-
9 200, relating to the collection of penalties on property taxes and
10 interest on property and sales taxes, applies to home rule boroughs.

11 (b) AS 29.10.395, relating to tax adjustments on real property
12 which is damaged or destroyed, applies to home rule boroughs.

13 * Sec. 4. AS 29.10.396 is amended to read:

14 Sec. 29.10.396. PROPERTY TO BE ASSESSED AT ITS FULL AND TRUE
15 VALUE. Property shall be assessed at its full and true value in money,
16 as of January 1 of the assessment year, except as provided in secs.
17 395, 397 and 398 of this chapter. In determining the full and true
18 value of property in money, the person making the return, or the asses-
19 sor, as the case may be, shall not adopt a lower or different standard
20 of value because the same is to serve as a basis of taxation, nor shall
21 he adopt as a criterion of value the price for which the property would
22 sell at auction, or at a forced sale, either separately or in the
23 aggregate with all of the property in the taxing district, but he shall
24 value the property at a sum which he believes it is fairly worth in
25 money at the time of the assessment.

26 * Sec. 5. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval
27 or on the day it becomes law without approval.