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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 701

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to community colleges."

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

8 * Section 1. AS 14.40.260(2) is amended to read:

9 (2) establish additional extension courses and such other
10 expansion of accredited courses for students as it considers advisable,
11 and shall provide for the integration of these courses into the
12 community college programs and physical facilities in school districts
13 and political subdivisions which have community college programs;

14 * Sec. 2. AS 14.40 is amended by adding new sections to read:

15 Sec. 14.40.562. COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF REGENTS. (a) Each
16 community college shall be governed by a separate board of regents,
17 consisting of six regents, which is responsible to the University
18 Board of Regents.

19 (b) Each regent shall be a citizen of the United States, and a
20 resident of the state and the area served by the community college.

21 (c) The term of office of a regent is six years. The term of
22 office begins on the first Monday in February of the year in which
23 the appointment is made. Each regent serves until his successor is
24 appointed and qualifies. Initial terms of office for regents shall be
25 two regents appointed for two years, two for four years, and two for
26 six years.

27 Sec. 14.40.564. APPOINTMENT OF REGENTS. The governor shall
28 appoint the regents subject to confirmation by a majority of all the
29 members of the legislature in joint session. The names of those

1 appointed shall be sent to the legislature within five days after the
2 opening of the session, for confirmation or rejection. If a person ap-
3 pointed is not confirmed by a majority vote of all the members of the
4 legislature, his appointment ceases and the name of another person
5 shall be submitted within three days after the rejection. If the
6 legislature adjourns without confirming the nomination, or if an
7 interim vacancy occurs, the governor may appoint a qualified person to
8 fill the vacancy. However, the person who has failed to be con-
9 firmed may not be appointed. The term of office of the appointee
10 expires on the fifth day of the session of the legislature following
11 the appointment.

12 Sec. 14.40.565. INTERNAL ORGANIZATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD
13 OF REGENTS. A board may determine the time and place of its meetings
14 and the manner of giving notice of meetings. Its meetings shall be
15 open to the public and the press and all records of the meetings and
16 proceedings shall be open to inspection by the public and the press at
17 reasonable times. However, a board may hold executive sessions,
18 but the findings of these sessions shall be made a part of the record
19 of the proceedings of a board. A quorum for the purpose of conducting
20 the business of a board is four regents, and a majority of the whole
21 board is required to approve the same.

22 Sec. 14.40.566. DUTIES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF REGENTS.

23 (a) In addition to the other responsibilities and duties provided for
24 in secs. 560 - 640 of this chapter, the board shall:

25 (1) fix the compensation of the director and personnel for
26 the academic degree programs and activities of the community college,
27 subject to the approval of the University Board of Regents;

28 (2) fix the compensation of the personnel for the nondegree
29 programs and activities of the community college subject to the approval

1 of the governing body of the school district or political subdivision;

2 (3) recommend the instruction programs and activities and
3 the budget for them, as related to the degree programs to the University
4 Board of Regents, and as related to the nondegree programs, to the
5 governing body of the school district or political subdivision;

6 (4) cooperate with the University Board of Regents and the
7 governing body of the school district or political subdivision in order
8 to coordinate the total community college program;

9 (5) keep a correct and easily understood record of the minutes
10 of every meeting and all acts done by it in performing its duties;

11 (6) keep and submit to and in the manner required by, the Uni-
12 versity Board of Regents and the governing body of the school district or
13 political subdivision, a complete record of all money received and disbursed
14 in connection with degree programs and nondegree programs, respectively;

15 (7) perform other duties determined by the University Board
16 of Regents to be necessary to carry out the purposes of secs. 560 - 640
17 of this chapter.

18 Sec. 14.40.569. COMPENSATION AND PER DIEM. Members of the board
19 serve without compensation but are entitled to per diem and travel ex-
20 penses authorized by law for boards and commissions.

21 * Sec. 3. AS 14.40.570 is amended to read:

22 Sec. 14.40.570. AUTHORITY OF BOARDS [BOARD]. (a) Since academic
23 education beyond the high school level is a statewide responsibility,
24 the University Board of Regents [BOARD], in its discretion and as the
25 need arises, may cooperate with the federal government and qualified
26 school districts and political subdivisions in the establishment of
27 appropriate higher educational programs and activities. The board is
28 responsible, subject to the approval of the University Board of Regents,
29 for the selection of all community college instructors, part and full-

1 time, for the academic degree programs and activities, and shall pay all
2 instructional and administrative costs, including cost of special
3 equipment and instructional materials, for academic degree programs
4 and activities offered, subject to the approval of the University Board
5 of Regents.

6 (b) Selected upper division and graduate level courses of instruc-
7 tion, offered by the university through its off-campus instructional
8 program to meet local needs, shall [MAY] be coordinated through the
9 office of the director of a community college.

10 * Sec. 4. AS 14.40.580 is amended to read:

11 Sec. ~~14.40.580~~. USE OF JOINT FACILITIES. (a) If facilities used
12 by the community college are owned by the school district or political
13 subdivision, the board, subject to availability of appropriated funds
14 and to the approval of the University Board of Regents, may reimburse
15 the school district for all expenses directly related to facilities
16 for academic degree programs and activities. The school district or
17 political subdivision shall bear all expenses directly related to non-
18 degree programs and activities.

19 (b) If separate facilities are financed, constructed, or main-
20 tained from federal, state, or private funds for either academic
21 degree or nonacademic degree programs and activities of the community
22 college, then the University Board of Regents [BOARD] has title to and
23 the board has control of the separate facilities used for these pur-
24 poses. If separate facilities are financed, constructed, or main-
25 tained from school district or political subdivision funds for either
26 degree or nondegree programs and activities, the school district or
27 political subdivision has title to and the board has control of the
28 separate facilities used for these purposes.

29 (c) Where community college facilities are available, whether

1 owned by a school district, political subdivision or the university, all
2 academic and nonacademic degree and nondegree programs and activities,
3 including upper division and graduate level courses of instruction,
4 other university extension courses, as well as vocational programs,
5 shall be conducted in the same facilities.

6 * Sec. 5. AS 14.40.590 is amended to read:

7 Sec. 14.40.590. DIRECTOR. The administrative head of a community
8 college established by the University of Alaska in cooperation with
9 school districts or political subdivisions is a director. All academic
10 and nonacademic degree and nondegree programs and activities, including
11 upper division and graduate level courses of instruction, other uni-
12 versity extension courses, and vocational programs, provided by or in
13 cooperation with the university shall be administered by the director.
14 The director shall be selected by the board, subject to approval by
15 the governing body of the school district or political subdivision and
16 the University Board of Regents.

17 * Sec. 6. AS 14.40 is amended by adding a new section to read:

18 Sec. 14.40.592. DUTIES OF THE DIRECTOR. The director shall
19 (1) organize and recommend to the board the academic and
20 nonacademic degree, nondegree, vocational instruction and university
21 extension programs and activities for the community college;
22 (2) prepare and recommend to the board each year the capital
23 and operating budgets of the community college;
24 (3) give general direction to the work of the community
25 college subject to the approval of the board;
26 (4) recommend to the board the academic qualifications for
27 personnel for the community college and recommend persons for selection;
28 (5) perform other duties that the board and the University
29 Board of Regents may require.

1 * Sec. 7. AS 14.40.600 is amended to read:

2 Sec. 14.40.600. RULES AND REGULATIONS. A community college estab-
3 lished by the university in cooperation with school districts or politi-
4 cal subdivisions shall be established under rules and regulations adopted
5 by the University Board of Regents, and maintained [,] and operated
6 under rules and regulations adopted by the board, subject to the
7 approval of the University Board of Regents. The selection and academic
8 qualifications for personnel and the curriculum of a community college,
9 insofar as it pertains to academic degree programs and activities, is
10 the responsibility of the board with the advice of the director, and
11 subject to the approval of the University Board of Regents. The selec-
12 tion and qualifications of personnel for nondegree programs and activi-
13 ties of the community college are the responsibility of the board with
14 the advice of the director, and subject to the approval of the governing
15 body of the school district or political subdivision.

16 * Sec. 8. AS 14.40.630(3) is amended to read:

17 (3) "board of regents" or "board" means a community college
18 board of regents; [THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA.]

19 * Sec. 9. AS 14.40.630 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

20 (4) "University Board of Regents" means the Board of Regents
21 of the University of Alaska.
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