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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY
REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 SENATE BILL NO. 100

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act creating the Commission for Ocean Advancement
7 through Science and Technology; and providing for an
8 effective date."

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

10 * Section 1 AS 46 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

11 CHAPTER 26. COMMISSION FOR OCEAN ADVANCEMENT
12 THROUGH SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.

13 Sec. 46.26.010. CREATION OF COMMISSION. There is created in the
14 office of the governor the Commission for Ocean Advancement through
15 Science and Technology.

16 Sec. 46.26.020. PURPOSE. It is the purpose of this chapter to
17 develop, encourage, and maintain a comprehensive coordinated state
18 plan for the orderly, long-range conservation and development of marine
19 and coastal resources which will ensure their wise multiple use in the
20 total public interest.

21 Sec. 46.26.030. COMPOSITION AND APPOINTMENT. (a) The governor
22 shall appoint five persons from the state and five persons from outside
23 the state to serve on the commission. In appointing members of the
24 commission, the governor shall give due consideration to representation
25 on the commission from groups interested in the research development
26 and conservation of marine resources.

27 (b) The commissioner of natural resources and the commissioner
28 of fish and game shall serve as ex officio members.

29 (c) Legislators are eligible for appointment to this commission.

1 Sec. 46.26.040. COMPENSATION AND PER DIEM. Members of the
2 commission serve without compensation but are entitled to per diem and
3 travel expenses authorized by law for other boards and commissions.

4 Sec. 46.26.050. CHAIRMAN AND QUORUM. The governor shall designate
5 a chairman and vice chairman of the commission. Seven members con-
6 stitute a quorum.

7 Sec. 46.26.060. PERSONNEL. The commission may employ a
8 consultant and sufficient personnel to carry out the provisions of
9 this chapter.

0 Sec. 46.26.070. MEETINGS. The commission shall meet at such
11 times and places it considers necessary.

12 Sec. 46.26.080. POWERS OF THE COMMISSION. The commission may

13 (1) secure from a department, agency, or independent
14 instrumentality of the state information necessary to carry out
15 its duties as provided for in sec. 90 of this chapter.

16 (2) enter into contracts and agreements with state
17 agencies, the federal government and private consultants to carry
18 out the purposes of this chapter;

19 (3) receive and expend grants and other financial assistance
20 offered by private or governmental sources;

21 (4) adopt regulations to implement the provisions of this
22 chapter and do all other things necessary to carry out the purpose
23 of this chapter.

24 Sec. 46.26.090. DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION. The commission shall
25 undertake a comprehensive investigation and study of all aspects of
26 the marine sciences and the marine and coastal environment in and
27 proximate to the state, including but not limited to

28 (1) a review of the known and estimated future needs for
29 natural resources from the marine and coastal environment necessary

1 to maintain an expanding state economy;

2 (2) a survey of all significant existing and planned
3 marine science activities in the state, including the research,
4 educational, developmental, and administrative policies, programs,
5 and accomplishments of the departments and agencies of the state
6 which are engaged in marine science activities;

7 (3) a determination of what modifications, if any, are
8 needed in existing state policies, programs or laws regarding

9 (A) land use in the coastal zone;

10 (B) the administration of tide and submerged lands;

11 (C) the conservation and utilization of the mineral
12 and living resources of the marine environment;

13 (D) recreation

14 (E) waste management, water quality, and pollution
15 control;

16 (F) water and power development, including the use of
17 nuclear energy;

18 (G) transportation and trade in the coastal zone and on
19 the high seas;

20 (H) engineering and technology in the coastal and deep
21 ocean environments;

22 (I) research and education in the field of oceanic
23 development;

24 (J) weather, climate, and the monitoring of oceanographic
25 conditions; and

26 (K) all other social, economic, and legal matters
27 relative to the conservation and utilization of ocean resources;
28 and

29 (4) a determination of the surveys, applied research programs

1 and ocean engineering projects required to obtain the needed natural
2 resources from the marine and coastal environment.

3 Sec. 46.26.100. REPORTS. (a) The commission shall make an
4 annual report to the legislature and governor within 20 days after the
5 convening of each annual session of the legislature. The report shall
6 include a comprehensive description of the activities and accomplishments
7 of state agencies in the conservation and development of marine and
8 coastal resources during the preceding fiscal year, and an evaluation
9 of the activities and accomplishments in terms of the continuing
10 objectives set forth in this chapter.

11 (b) The reports required under (a) of this section shall contain
12 the recommendations for legislative and administrative action as the
13 commission considers necessary and desirable to achieve the continuing
14 objectives of this chapter, and shall contain an estimate of the funding
15 requirements of the state departments and agencies for activities in the
16 conservation and development of marine and coastal resources during the
17 next fiscal year.

18 (c) The commission may make other reports to the governor and
19 legislature as it considers necessary.

20 * Sec. 2. AS 46.25 is repealed.

21 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect on July 1, 1969.
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