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BY THE HEALTH, WELFARE AND  
EDUCATION COMMITTEE

1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 140

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to comprehensive health planning."

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

8 \* Section 1. AS 18.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:

9 Sec. 18.05.049. COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH PLANNING. The department  
10 shall supervise the development of a comprehensive state health service  
11 plan with the advice and consultation of the Comprehensive Health  
12 Advisory Council, and shall administer the state's health planning  
13 functions under that plan. The department, for purposes of Public Law  
14 89-749, is designated the comprehensive state health planning agency.

15 \* Sec. 2. AS 18.05.051(b) is amended to read:

16 (b) The council shall include 21 [11] nongovernmental members,  
17 13 [EIGHT] of whom shall be consumers of health services and eight  
18 [THREE] of whom shall be representatives of nongovernmental agencies  
19 which are concerned with health care services.

20 (1) Nongovernmental members are appointed by the governor sub-  
21 ject to confirmation by a majority of the members of the legislature in  
22 joint session. Six [FOUR] members shall have [SERVE INITIAL] terms ex-  
23 piring in 1971 and every four years thereafter. All other [OF TWO  
24 YEARS, FOUR] members shall have [INITIAL] terms which shall expire in  
25 groups of five each year [OF THREE YEARS, AND THREE MEMBERS INITIAL  
26 TERMS OF FOUR YEARS]. Terms [INITIAL TERMS DATE FROM FEBRUARY 1 BEFORE  
27 APPOINTMENT. THEREAFTER, TERMS] of office are four years, unless the  
28 appointment is for the remainder of an unexpired term. With the  
29 approval of the governor and the members of the legislature in joint

1 session terms may be extended for one year each to allow compliance  
2 with this section. Each member holds office at the pleasure of the  
3 governor notwithstanding the member's term.

4 (2) Nongovernmental members may carry out their duties on  
5 the council after appointment but before confirmation or rejection by  
6 the legislature.

7 (3) Nongovernmental members receive no salary but are  
8 entitled to per diem and travel expenses authorized by law for state  
9 boards. Nongovernmental members may receive travel expenses and per  
10 diem in connection with the exercise of their duties as council members  
11 before their confirmation or rejection by the legislature.

12 \* Sec. 3. AS 18.05.051(c) is amended to read:

13 (c) The council shall include four governmental members: One  
14 from the Department of Health and Welfare; one from the Department of  
15 Administration; and one from a health agency of a local government  
16 unit [; AND THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH AND WELFARE]. The governmental  
17 members [, OTHER THAN THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH AND WELFARE,] are  
18 appointed by the governor. [THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH AND WELFARE  
19 SHALL ACT AS CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL, AND HIS DEPARTMENT SHALL ADMIN-  
20 ISTER THE COMPREHENSIVE STATE HEALTH SERVICE PLAN.]

21 \* Sec. 4. AS 18.05.051(e) is amended to read:

22 (e) Additional members may be appointed under this section by  
23 the governor in compliance with federal law. The initial terms of  
24 the additional members shall be four years, but a fractional term of  
25 less than four years may be granted where a full term would result in  
26 an expiration date identical to that of an existing member. All  
27 future terms shall be four years, or in the case of conflict with  
28 federal law, that required by federal law.

29 \* Sec. 5. AS 18.05.051 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

1 (f) The members of the council shall elect a chairman from among  
2 the nongovernmental members to serve a two-year term.

3 (g) The council may form advisory committees and may appoint  
4 persons to serve on these committees who are not members of the council.

5 \* Sec. 6. AS 18.05.053(1) is amended to read:

6 (1) advise and consult with the commissioner of health and  
7 welfare and the comprehensive state health planning agency regarding

8 (A) programs for the construction of health facilities  
9 for the state and its political subdivisions;

10 (B) the development of rules, regulations, and standards  
11 for the operation of health facilities;

12 (C) the development of a comprehensive state health  
13 service plan, to be reviewed at least annually, and to be submitted  
14 to the Surgeon General of the United States for his approval;

15 \* Sec. 7. AS 18.05.053(2) is amended to read:

16 (2) request the cooperation of governmental and nongovern-  
17 mental agencies in planning and developing a statewide comprehensive  
18 health plan by

19 (A) reviewing agency planning;

20 (B) coordinating activities and plans of areawide  
21 councils and other voluntary planning groups;

22 (C) appointing advisory committees for specific health  
23 problems;

24 (D) evaluating previous planning efforts [PROGRAMS  
25 RELATING TO THE REHABILITATION, EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT, HEALTH AND  
26 WELFARE OF PATIENTS IN HEALTH FACILITIES];

27 \* Sec. 8. AS 18.05.053 is amended by adding new paragraphs to read:

28 (4) assist the commissioner and the comprehensive state  
29 health planning agency in forming areawide comprehensive health

1 planning agencies and councils;

2 (5) approve applications for grants under Public Law 89-749,  
3 sec. 314(c), (d) and (e).

4 \* Sec. 9. AS 18.05.055(1) is amended to read:

5 (1) "consumer" means a consumer as defined in Public Health  
6 Act sec. 314 (42 U.S.C. sec. 51.4(b)), Title VI of the Public Health  
7 Service Act [(42 U.S.C. SEC. 291 ET SEQ.)] and the Mental Retardation  
8 Facilities and Community Mental Health Centers Construction Act of  
9 1963 (P.L. 88-164) and as they [IT] may be amended in the future;

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