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BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY
REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 94

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 the involvement of youth in
7 government; and providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 44.19 is amended by adding new sections to read:

10 ARTICLE 9D. INVOLVEMENT OF YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT

11 Sec. 44.19.748. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMISSION. There is created
12 in the Office of the Governor, the Governor's Commission on the
13 Involvement of Youth in Government.

14 Sec. 44.19.750. COMPOSITION AND CHAIRMAN. The commission
15 consists of six members, drawn from leaders in the fields of public
16 affairs, education, the sciences, the professions, other fields of
17 private endeavor, and from the state service. The members are
18 appointed by the governor. One member shall be designated by the
19 governor as chairman of the commission.

20 Sec. 44.19.752. COMPENSATION AND PER DIEM. Members of the
21 commission serve without compensation but are entitled to per diem
22 and travel expenses authorized by law for other boards and
23 commissions.

24 Sec. 44.19.754. FUNCTIONS OF THE COMMISSION. (a) The
25 commission shall establish procedures to enable it to recommend
26 annually to the governor a group of outstanding young men and women
27 from whom the governor may select both governor's interns and
28 youth voting members of state boards and commissions. The commission
29 in establishing these procedures shall enlist the aid of the citizenry

1 involved including students, teachers, individuals actively working
2 with youth, and those involved in formulating youth programs.
3 Following adoption of the procedures, the commission may accept
4 applications from individuals and nominations from Alaska sources
5 for consideration.

6 (b) Recommendations of the commission will be limited to young
7 persons who

8 (1) have demonstrated unusual ability, high moral
9 character, outstanding motivation, and a broad capacity for
10 leadership;

11 (2) show exceptional promise of future development;

12 (3) are dedicated to the institutions of the United
13 States and the State of Alaska and the broad values of our American
14 civilization; and

15 (4) will have attained the age of 18 but not the age of
16 26 prior to the beginning of their service as governor's interns.
17 The commission may recommend any individual under 21 years of age
18 for service on a board or commission.

19 Sec. 44.19.756. GOVERNOR'S INTERNS. Interns will be appointed
20 to serve one year on the staff of the office of the governor and
21 may be assigned responsibilities in that office or in the offices
22 of the commissioners of the principal departments of state government.
23 The year of service will begin on or about July 1 of the year of
24 selection. Governor's interns shall be in the partially exempt
25 service. Salaries shall be individually established by the state
26 division of personnel on the basis of the prior experience of each
27 intern and the responsibilities of the position.

28 Sec. 44.19.758. APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS. (a) Not-
29 withstanding AS 39.05.100 or any provision of law relating to age,

1 the governor may appoint any resident of Alaska to any board or
2 commission listed in this section if the resident is recommended
3 by the commission.

4 (b) Appointments authorized by (a) of this section may be
5 made to the State Geographic Board, the Rural Affairs Commission,
6 the Alaska Safety Council, the Alaska State Council on the Arts,
7 the Alaska Commission on the Status of Women, the Yukon-Taiya
8 Commission, the Governor's Planning Council on the Administration
9 of Criminal Justice, the Pioneers' Homes Advisory Board, the Alaska
10 State Board of Education, the Advisory Board on Alcoholism, the
11 Northwestern Alaska Development Committee, the Alaska Board of
12 Fish and Game, and other state boards or commissions where special
13 qualification set by law are not required.

14 (c) A young person recommended by the commission may be
15 appointed to boards or commissions with special qualifications for
16 membership if the proposed nominee, except for his age, meets the
17 required qualifications as set by law.

18 (d) Any individual appointed to a board or commission under
19 this section is entitled to the rights, privileges, and
20 responsibilities of other members. No additional seat on a board
21 or commission is created by virtue of secs. 748 - 750 of this
22 chapter.

23 * Sec. 2. AS 39.05.060 is amended to read:

24 Sec. 39.05.060. APPOINTMENT, QUALIFICATIONS, AND TERMS OF
25 OFFICE OF MEMBERS OF DEPARTMENTAL BOARDS, COUNCILS, OR COMMISSIONS.
26 Each member of the Local Boundary Commission, Alcoholic Beverage
27 Control Board, Employment Security Advisory Council, Alaska State
28 Housing Authority, Board of Fish and Game, Board of Tourism,
29 Commission for Northern Operations of Rail Transportation and Highways,

1 [AND] the Board of Directors for State-Operated Schools, and the
2 Governor's Commission on the Involvement of Youth in Government
3 shall be a citizen of the United States. The governor shall
4 appoint each member on the basis of interest in public affairs,
5 good judgment, knowledge and ability in the field of action of the
6 department for which appointed, and with a view to providing
7 diversity of interest and points of view in the membership.
8 Appointments are subject to confirmation by a majority of the members
9 of the legislature in joint session. Initial appointments of
10 members are as follows: (1) in the case of three-member boards,
11 for one, two and three years; (2) in the case of five-member boards,
12 for one, two, three, four and five years; (3) in the case of six-
13 member boards, two members serve for one year, two for two years,
14 and two for three years; (4) in the case of eight-member boards,
15 two members serve for one year, two for two years, two for three
16 years, and two for four years; (5) and in the case of 10-member
17 boards, two members serve for one year, two for two years, two for
18 three years, two for four years and two for five years. Initial
19 terms date from February 1 before appointment. A vacancy occurring
20 during a term of office is filled in the same manner as the original
21 appointment is made and for the balance of the unexpired term.
22 Each member holds office at the pleasure of the governor notwith-
23 standing the member's term.

24 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and
25 approval or on the day it becomes law without approval.
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