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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 SENATE BILL NO. 108

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 Governor's Commission on
7 the Administration of Justice; and providing for
8 an effective date."

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

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

11 ARTICLE 9D

12 GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

13 Sec. 44.19.746. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMMISSION. The Governor's
14 Commission on the Administration of Justice is established in the
15 Office of the Governor.

16 Sec. 44.19.748. MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMISSION. The commission
17 is composed of the attorney general, the commissioner of public
18 safety, the commissioner of health and welfare, the public defender,
19 a member of the judiciary and four other residents of the state.
20 Except for the ex officio membership, members shall be chosen by
21 the governor so as to give reasonable geographic and urban - rural
22 balance, including representation from law enforcement agencies, from
23 units of local government and from other concerned groups in the
24 state. Members serve at the pleasure of the governor.

25 Sec. 44.19.750. COMMISSION: COMPENSATION AND PER DIEM. Members
26 of the commission receive no salary for their service on the
27 commission but are entitled to per diem and travel expenses authorized
28 by law for commissions.

29 Sec. 44.19.752. COMMISSION: GRANTS AND OTHER AID. The

1 commission may apply for, receive and utilize grants, gifts, and other
2 funds and aids for the execution of its programs. Grants, gifts, and
3 other funds may be received from the federal government and from
4 other public and private sources.

5 Sec. 44.19.754. STAFF OF THE COMMISSION. (a) The commission
6 may with the approval of the governor select a director for the
7 execution of the programs entrusted to the commission in secs. 746 -
8 758 of this chapter.

9 (b) The director may employ such personnel as may be necessary
10 to carry out functions assigned to the commission by secs. 746 - 758
11 of this chapter. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
12 personnel appointed under this subsection are members of the classified
13 service as set out in AS 39.25.100.

14 Sec. 44.19.756. POWERS OF THE COMMISSION. The commission will
15 establish a center for the administration of justice in the State of
16 Alaska. The center will be an inter-disciplinary educational and
17 research center committed to the development of more effective crime
18 prevention and detection, the rehabilitation of offenders, assistance
19 to the courts, and the alleviation of the critical shortage of skilled
20 legal, judicial, and law enforcement personnel in the undeveloped
21 areas of Alaska.

22 Sec. 44.19.758. CENTER FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE. The
23 center established by the commission will be an educational and
24 research facility. Among the goals of the center are:

25 (1) A program concerned with law enforcement assistance
26 planning on the state level, as well as coordination of such planning
27 for local governments. In this program the center will establish
28 the capability to research, study, and make recommendations on:

29 (A) the causes of crime and delinquency and their

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prevention;

(B) the condition of Alaska's law enforcement agencies;

(C) the condition of Alaska's criminal codes;

(D) any other relevant matter concerned with the administration of justice.

(2) An inter-disciplinary training program operating in legal, judicial, correctional or enforcement frameworks;

(3) A training program designed to produce para-professionals competent to undertake the rendering of legal services in areas of Alaska where more highly skilled services are not available;

(4) A continuing legal education program for members of the bench and bar as well as the related professions.

* Sec. 2. Sections 44.19.738 - 744 are repealed.

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