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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE HEALTH, WELFARE AND  
EDUCATION COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 395 *DMH*

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the regents of the University of  
7 Alaska."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 14.40.120 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 14.40.120. UNIVERSITY GOVERNED BY BOARD OF REGENTS. The  
11 University of Alaska shall be governed by a Board of Regents consisting  
12 of 11 [EIGHT] regents.

13 \* Sec. 2. AS 14.40.140 is amended to read:

14 Sec. 14.40.140. TERM OF OFFICE. Except for a student regent as  
15 specified in sec. 150(c) of this chapter, the [THE] term of office of  
16 a regent is five [EIGHT] years. The term of office begins on the  
17 first Monday in February of the year in which the appointment is made.  
18 Each regent serves until his successor is appointed and qualifies.  
19 No regent may serve more than two full five-year terms. However, if  
20 a regent is appointed to fill an unexpired term, he may complete that  
21 term and be reappointed to two successive full five-year terms. A  
22 regent who has completed two full five-year terms may not be re-  
23 appointed to the board until one year has elapsed. No regent may  
24 serve more than two consecutive years as president of the board.

25 \* Sec. 3. AS 14.40.150 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

26 (b) In filling two seats on the Board of Regents, the governor  
27 shall consider for appointment candidates from among a list of not  
28 less than three nominees presented by the governing bodies of each of  
29 the private two-year and four-year institutions of higher education

1 in the state.

2 (c) At least one member of the Board of Regents shall be a full-  
3 time student, appointed from a list of two students submitted to the  
4 governor from each campus site of the University of Alaska after an  
5 election is held at each campus site. Elections shall be conducted  
6 under rules established by the Governor's Commission on the Involvement  
7 of Young People in Government (AS 44.19.777 - 44.19.787). The term of  
8 office of a student regent is two years. For purposes of this sub-  
9 section, "full-time student" means

10 (1) a person who, at the time of appointment, is enrolled  
11 in courses at the University of Alaska equal to nine academic credit  
12 hours or the equivalent of nine academic credit hours in career educa-  
13 tion, including but not limited to vocational and technical programs,  
14 or

15 (2) a person who, at the time of appointment, is enrolled  
16 in graduate courses at the University of Alaska equal to six graduate  
17 academic credit hours.

18 \* Sec. 4. AS 14.40.200 is amended to read:

19 Sec. 14.40.200. QUORUM. No corporate business may be transacted  
20 at any meeting of the Board of Regents unless at least seven [FIVE]  
21 regents are present, the majority of the whole board to approve the  
22 same.

23 \* Sec. 5. In enacting AS 14.40.150(b), the legislature intends to  
24 encourage and assist in the implementation of consortium arrangements between  
25 the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska and the governing bodies  
26 of the private two-year and four-year institutions of higher education in  
27 the state. In the pursuit of excellence in higher education consistent with  
28 the stated objectives of the respective higher education institutions in  
29 the state and the financial resources available to them, these consortia

1 are cooperative arrangements for the maximum, joint development of opportuni-  
2 ties in higher education that are employed to ensure the sensible elimination  
3 of unnecessary duplicate programs and the full utilization of presently  
4 available and future higher education facilities wherever they may exist.  
5 The full, effective implementation of these consortia requires that the voice  
6 of those interested in, and concerned with, the maintenance, growth and  
7 progress of private higher education in cooperation with public higher educa-  
8 tion in Alaska be heard in a direct and meaningful manner on the governing  
9 body of the statewide public university system.

10 \* Sec. 6. A regent who on the effective date of this Act has served five  
11 years of his current appointment is terminated 30 days after that date. The  
12 vacancies thus created shall be filled by the appointment of two regents for  
13 one-year terms and two regents for five-year terms to preserve the staggered  
14 terms of office.

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