

1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE BILL NO. 416

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to qualifications and appointment of
7 the adjutant general; and providing for an effective
8 date."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 26.05.160(a) is amended to read:

11 (a) The adjutant general of the state is appointed by the governor
12 for a term of three years. However, if the National Guard Advisory
13 Board, within 90 days from the date the three-year term expires, recom-
14 mends a second three-year term by majority vote, the adjutant general
15 may serve a second term, subject to the approval of the governor. After
16 service of six years employment as adjutant general, employment with
17 the Department of Military Affairs shall be terminated permanently.

18 The governor shall prescribe the grade of the adjutant general which
19 shall not exceed major general. To be eligible for appointment as
20 adjutant general, a person shall be a citizen of the state. The
21 adjutant general shall make returns and reports to the Chief, National
22 Guard Bureau, and to the governor or to the officers designated by the
23 Chief, National Guard Bureau, and the governor, at the times and in the
24 form prescribed.

25 * Sec. 2. AS 26.05.160 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

26 (c) The adjutant general must have held or hold a federally
27 recognized field-grade commission with at least seven years service in
28 the Alaska Army or Air National Guard on initial appointment.

29 (d) The adjutant general, upon appointment, must have completed

1 the command and general staff course or its equivalent and one of the
2 war colleges.

3 (e) The adjutant general shall be appointed from a list of not
4 less than three officers having the qualifications specified in (a) -
5 (c) of this section, submitted by a majority vote of the National Guard
6 Advisory Board.

7 * Sec. 3. AS 26.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:

8 Sec. 26.05.165. NATIONAL GUARD ADVISORY BOARD. (a) There is
9 created the National Guard Advisory Board, whose members are appointed
10 by the governor and serve at his pleasure. The National Guard Advisory
11 Board is composed of the following:

12 (1) an employee of the Department of Military Affairs who
13 is an active member of the Alaska National Guard;

14 (2) an officer in the Alaska Army National Guard, not
15 employed by the Department of Military Affairs;

16 (3) an enlisted man in the Alaska Army National Guard, not
17 employed by the Department of Military Affairs;

18 (4) an officer in the Alaska Air National Guard, not employed
19 by the Department of Military Affairs;

20 (5) an enlisted man in the Alaska Air National Guard, not
21 employed by the Department of Military Affairs;

22 (6) two interested residents from the general public.

23 (b) The National Guard Advisory Board shall

24 (1) submit lists of recommended officers for the governor's
25 consideration under sec. 160(e) of this chapter;

26 (2) recommend to the governor policies concerning the
27 administration and operation of the Alaska National Guard;

28 (3) recommend legislation that will enhance the recruitment,
29 retention, and retirement program within the Alaska National Guard;

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(4) recommend basic force requirements and unit structuring
which should be pursued with the National Guard Bureau which will add
to the state's militia posture.

* Sec. 4. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval
or on the day it becomes law without approval.