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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 181

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act creating the Health and Social Services
7 Advisory Board."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 47 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

10 CHAPTER 27. HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

11 ADVISORY BOARD.

12 Sec. 47.27.010. CREATION OF BOARD. There is established in the
13 Department of Health and Social Services the Health and Social Services
14 Advisory Board.

15 Sec. 47.27.020. COMPOSITION AND TERM OF OFFICE. (a) The advisory
16 board consists of 27 members appointed by the governor. The membership
17 shall reflect, to the extent possible, geographic diversity, and include
18 the following:

19 (1) nine consumers of services of the Department of Health
20 and Social Services,

21 (2) nine professionals in health care,

22 (3) nine representatives of the general public.

23 (b) The members of the board serve at the pleasure of the governor
24 for terms of four years.

25 (c) A vacancy occurring in the membership of the board shall be
26 filled by appointment of the governor for the unexpired portion of the
27 vacated term.

28 Sec. 47.45.030. COMPENSATION, PER DIEM AND EXPENSES. Members of
29 the board are not entitled to a salary, but are entitled to per diem,

1 reimbursement for travel, and other expenses authorized by law for other
2 boards.

3 Sec. 47.45.040. DUTIES. (a) The board shall act in an advisory
4 capacity to the commissioner in the following matters:

5 (1) the effectiveness of the health and social services
6 delivery system in the state;

7 (2) consumer needs not being met by the department which are
8 within the department's jurisdiction;

9 (3) coordination of programs of each division of the depart-
10 ment with each other and with other service agencies.

11 (b) The board shall make a continuing study of the operation of
12 programs carried out by the department with a view to determining how the
13 programs may be improved. Annually, the board shall submit to the com-
14 missioner, the governor and the legislature a written report of the
15 results of its study together with the recommendations for administrative
16 and legislative changes it considers appropriate.

17 Sec. 47.45.050. MEETINGS. (a) The board shall meet at the call of
18 the chairman but shall meet at least three times a year, once in each of
19 the three geographical regions of the state.

20 (b) A majority of the members constitutes a quorum and a vacancy
21 on the board does not affect its powers.

22 Sec. 47.45.060. DEPARTMENT ASSISTANCE. The commissioner shall pro-
23 vide the board with technical and other assistance, including secretarial
24 and clerical services, that is required to carry out its functions under
25 this chapter.
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