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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 239

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the creation of judicial districts."

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

8 * Section 1. AS 22.10.010 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

9 Sec. 22.10.010. ESTABLISHMENT OF SUPERIOR COURT. There shall be
10 one superior court for the state. The court consists of seven districts
11 bounded as follows:

12 (1) First District: beginning at a point on 141° longitude,
13 West of Greenwich, where it intersects the Canada-Alaska boundary, then
14 east, southeast and west along the Canada-Alaska boundary, through Dixon
15 Entrance and northwest from a point west of the Alexander Archipelago
16 to intersect 141° West longitude, then north along 141° West longitude
17 across the Malaspina Glacier to the Alaska-Canada border to the point
18 of beginning;

19 (2) Second District: beginning at a point on 141° West
20 longitude in the Gulf of Alaska, then north along 141° West longitude
21 to a point at which it intersects the northern boundary of the AHTNA,
22 Inc., a regional corporation, then west along the northern boundary of
23 that corporation to a point at which it intersects 148° West longitude,
24 then south along 148° West longitude to a point at which it intersects
25 the western boundary of AHTNA, Inc., then south along the boundary of
26 that corporation to a point at which it intersects the northern boundary
27 of Chugach Natives, Inc., a regional corporation, then south from that
28 point of intersection to the head of Port Wells, then southerly through
29 Port Wells and east through Wells Passage to a point north of Naked

1 Island, then southeasterly through Hinchinbrook Entrance into the Gulf
2 of Alaska, then east through the Gulf of Alaska to 141° West longitude
3 to the point of beginning;

4 (3) Third District: beginning at a point in the Gulf of
5 Alaska, then northwesterly through Hinchinbrook Entrance to a point north
6 of Naked Island, then west through Wells Passage and north through Port
7 Wells to the head of Port Wells, then north from the head of Port Wells
8 to a point at which the northern boundary of Chugach Natives, Inc.,
9 intersects a line common to the western boundary of AHTNA, Inc., and the
10 eastern boundary of Cook Inlet Region, Inc., then north along that
11 common boundary of AHTNA, Inc., and Cook Inlet Region, Inc., to a point
12 at which the common boundary intersects 148° West longitude, then north
13 along 148° West longitude to a point at which it intersects the southern
14 boundary of Doyon, Ltd., a regional corporation, then west along the
15 boundary of that corporation to a point at which it no longer coincides
16 with the boundary of Mt. McKinley National Park, then westerly and
17 southwesterly along the southern boundary of Mt. McKinley National Park
18 to a point at which that boundary intersects with 150° West longitude,
19 then south along 150° West longitude to a point at which it intersects
20 the boundary common to Doyon, Ltd., and Cook Inlet Region, Inc., then
21 southwest along this common boundary to a point at which it intersects
22 with a boundary common to Doyon Ltd., and Calista Corporation, a
23 regional corporation, then south, southwest and south along the boundary
24 of Calista Corporation into Bristol Bay and the Bering Sea to 58° lati-
25 tude, North of the Equator, then west along 58° North latitude to a
26 point west of the Pribilof Islands, then southwest through the Bering
27 Sea to a point west of Attu Island on 172° latitude, East of Greenwich,
28 then south along 172° East latitude to a point southwest of Attu Island,
29 then east and northeast along a line running southerly, southeasterly

1 and easterly of the Aleutian and Shumagin Islands, Chirikof Island and
2 Kodiak Island to a point on 146° West longitude south of Middleton
3 Island, then north along 146° West longitude to 60° North latitude in
4 the Gulf of Alaska, then northwest from that point into and through
5 Hinchinbrook Entrance, the point of beginning;

6 (4) Fourth District: beginning at a point on 141° West
7 longitude at which the Alaska-Canada border intersects the southern
8 boundary of Doyon, Ltd., then west along the southern boundary of Doyon,
9 Ltd., to a point at which the boundary of that corporation no longer
10 coincides with the boundary of Mt. McKinley National Park, then westerly
11 and southwesterly along the southern boundary of Mt. McKinley National
12 Park to 150° West longitude, then south along 150° West longitude to a
13 point at which it intersects the southern boundary of Doyon, Ltd., then
14 southwest and west along the boundary of that corporation to the peaks
15 of the Kuskokwim Mountains where they form the watershed divide between
16 the Nunsatuk River to the east and the East Fork of the George River
17 to the west, then north along this watershed divide to a point directly
18 west of the headwaters of the Black River, then northwest to a point
19 north of Dikeman, then west along a line running north of Holikachuk
20 to the point where the boundaries of Doyon, Ltd., Calista Corporation,
21 and Bering Straits Regional Corporation intersect, then north along the
22 western boundary of Doyon, Ltd., to a point at which it intersects 68°
23 North latitude, the southern boundary of the North Slope Borough, then
24 east along the southern boundary of that borough to 141° West longitude,
25 then south along 141° West longitude to the point of beginning;

26 (5) Fifth District: beginning at the point in Norton Sound
27 at which 64° North latitude intersects 164° West longitude and the
28 northern boundary of Calista Corporation, then east and southeast along
29 the northern boundary of Calista Corporation to a point where the

1 boundaries of Calista Corporation, Doyon, Ltd., and Bering Straits
2 Regional Corporation intersect, then from that point of intersection
3 east along a line running north of Holikachuk to a point north of
4 Dikeman, then southeast to a point directly west of the headwaters of
5 the Black River, then south along the watershed divide between the
6 Nunsatuk River and the East Fork of the George River to the northern
7 boundary of Calista Corporation, then east, south and southwest along
8 the boundary of that corporation to 58° North latitude in Bristol Bay,
9 then west along 58° North latitude to 174° West longitude, then north
10 along 174° West longitude to a point at which it intersects 61° North
11 latitude, then northeast from that point of intersection to a point at
12 which 64° North latitude intersects 164° West longitude in Norton
13 Sound, the point of beginning;

14 (6) Sixth District: beginning at the point in Norton Sound
15 at which 64° North latitude intersects with 164° West longitude and
16 the southern boundary of the Bering Straits Regional Corporation, then
17 east and north along the southern and eastern boundaries of the Bering
18 Straits Regional Corporation to the point at which that boundary inter-
19 sects the boundary of the Nana Regional Corporation, then northeast along
20 the eastern boundary of the Nana Regional Corporation to 68° North
21 latitude, then west along 68° North latitude to 169° West longitude,
22 then south along 169° West longitude and the United States-Union of
23 Soviet Socialist Republics boundary to 174° West longitude, then south
24 along 174° West longitude to the point at which it intersects with
25 61° North latitude, then from the point of intersection northeast along
26 a line to a point at which 64° North latitude intersects 164° West
27 longitude, in Norton Sound, the point of beginning;

28 (7) Seventh District: the boundaries of the Seventh District
29 are coterminous with the boundaries of the North Slope Borough.

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* Sec. 2. AS 22.15.010 is amended to read:

Sec. 22.15.010. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF ALASKA. There is established a district court of the State of Alaska for each of the seven [FOUR] judicial districts of the superior court of this state.

* Sec. 3. AS 22.15.020 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

Sec. 22.15.020. NUMBER OF DISTRICT JUDGES AND MAGISTRATES. The number of district judges or magistrates within each judicial district shall be established, and may be increased or decreased, by rule of the supreme court.

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