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Criminal Code Revision Subcommittee

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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 694

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the Criminal Law Revision Commis-
7 sion; and providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. ESTABLISHMENT. There is established as a legislative
10 advisory commission of the Alaska Legislative Council the Criminal Law
11 Revision Commission.

12 * Sec. 2. MEMBERSHIP. (a) The commission is composed of the following
13 members:

14 (1) the chairman of the judiciary committee of the state house of
15 representatives or his designee from that committee and the chairman of the
16 judiciary committee of the state senate or his designee from that committee;

17 (2) the attorney general, or his designee;

18 (3) the commissioner of public safety, or his designee;

19 (4) the director of the division of corrections, Department of
20 Health and Social Services, or his designee;

21 (5) a judge of the superior court appointed by the chief justice;

22 (6) a judge of the district court appointed by the chief justice;

23 (7) the public defender, or his designee;

24 (8) one social worker appointed by the council;

25 (9) one mayor or his designee, from a municipality, designated by
26 the council;

27 (10) one person, representative of rural Alaska, designated by the
28 council;

29 (11) an attorney appointed by the president of the Alaska Bar

1 Association;

2 (12) one representative of the general public appointed by the
3 council;

4 (13) one representative of the general public appointed by the
5 governor.

6 (b) An appointing authority or a designated member of the commission
7 may name an alternate to serve in his stead when the member is unable to
8 attend a meeting.

9 * Sec. 3. TERMS, REMOVAL, COMPENSATION. (a) Members serve ex officio or
10 at the pleasure of the appointing authority. The term of an appointed member
11 is four years.

12 (b) Members receive no salary but are entitled to per diem and travel
13 expenses authorized by law for other boards and commissions.

14 * Sec. 4. DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION. The commission shall

15 (1) advise the governor and the legislature on necessary and
16 appropriate revision of the criminal law;

17 (2) prepare a comprehensive revision of the state criminal laws
18 including but not limited to necessary substantive and topical revisions of
19 crimes, criminal procedure, sentencing, and parole and probation of offen-
20 ders, for submission to the legislature;

21 (3) conduct studies of criminal justice practices and procedures;

22 (4) receive and expend grants and appropriations from private and
23 governmental sources for the purpose of carrying out its duties under this
24 section;

25 (5) contract with other agencies or persons for the performance of
26 necessary services;

27 (6) submit a report with recommendations to the First Session of
28 the Tenth Legislature concerning substantive or topical revisions to the
29 criminal laws before February 1, 1977;

1 (7) submit a report and recommendations to the Second Session of
2 the Tenth Legislature before February 1, 1978 concerning revision of the laws
3 governing criminal procedure and other pertinent matters relating to criminal
4 law on which no previous report has been made, together with any recommenda-
5 tions concerning the future existence, purposes, or composition of the com-
6 mission.

7 * Sec. 5. CHAIRMAN, MEETINGS, QUORUM. (a) The commission shall select a
8 chairman and vice-chairman from among its members.

9 (b) The commission may hold public hearings and other meetings as
10 necessary throughout the state and shall determine an appropriate quorum for
11 conducting business.

12 * Sec. 6. DEFINITIONS. In this Act, unless the context otherwise re-
13 quires,

14 (1) "council" means the Alaska Legislative Council established
15 under AS 24.20.010;

16 (2) "commission" means the Criminal Law Revision Commission estab-
17 lished under sec. 1 of this Act.

18 * Sec. 7. The commission established by this Act expires February 1,
19 1978.

20 * Sec. 8. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-
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