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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL  
SERVICES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST

2  SENATE BILL NO. 136

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 a local government commission."

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

8 \* Section 1. CREATION, PURPOSE, AND DURATION OF THE COMMISSION. There  
9 is established in the Office of the Governor a temporary commission to study  
10 the division of the unorganized borough into smaller administrative units.

11 \* Sec. 2. COMPOSITION OF THE COMMISSION. The commission is composed of  
12 the following persons:

- 13 (1) commissioner of community and regional affairs;  
14 (2) commissioner of education;  
15 (3) chairperson of the Local Boundary Commission;  
16 (4) a member of the Senate;  
17 (5) a member of the House;  
18 (6) two citizens.

19 \* Sec. 3. DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION. (a) The commission shall

20 (1) study the unorganized borough of the state in order to make  
21 recommendations to the legislature for its division into smaller administra-  
22 tive units;

23 (2) appoint advisory groups from areas within the unorganized  
24 borough in order to have community input for the determination of boundaries  
25 of the smaller administrative units;

26 (3) hold public hearings in the unorganized borough;

27 (4) after one year of study submit an interim progress report to  
28 the legislature;

29 (5) after two years of study submit a final report to the legisla-

1 ture with findings and recommendations for the division of the unorganized  
2 borough into smaller administrative units.

3 (b) The commission may

4 (1) design and distribute materials to persons in the unorganized  
5 borough to inform them of the problems and advantages involved in organizing  
6 into administrative units smaller than the current unorganized borough;

7 (2) recommend changes in existing borough boundaries.

8 \* Sec. 4. DISSOLUTION OF COMMISSION. After presenting its final report  
9 to the legislature the commission shall be dissolved.

10 \* Sec. 5. The findings of the commission may not be construed as mandating  
11 the formation of local government units.