

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST
OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SUB-
COMMITTEE ON TELECOMMUNICATIONS

1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 561

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for a communications carriers section
7 in the Alaska Public Utilities Commission."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 42.07 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 Sec. 42.07.123. COMMUNICATIONS CARRIERS SECTION. (a) There is
11 established within the commission a communications carriers section
12 which shall develop, recommend and administer policies and programs with
13 respect to the regulation of rates, services, accounting and facilities
14 of communications common carriers within the state involving the use of
15 wire, cable, radio and space satellites.

16 (b) The section shall advise and make recommendations to the com-
17 mission and represent the commission in matters pertaining to communica-
18 tion common carrier regulation and licensing and shall participate, as a
19 party, in adjudicatory hearings in which significant common carrier is-
20 sues are involved.

21 (c) It is the responsibility of the communications carrier sec-
22 tion in its participation in rate or tariff adjudication proceedings
23 to advocate and provide support for the lowest practicable rate under
24 the circumstances.
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