

1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 37

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act moving the capital to the new site and estab-
7 lishing a New Capital Site Planning Commission; and
8 providing for an effective date."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 44.06 is amended by adding new sections to read:

11 ARTICLE 3. NEW CAPITAL SITE PLANNING
12 COMMISSION AND PHASED CAPITAL MOVE.

13 Sec. 44.06.200. NEW CAPITAL SITE PLANNING COMMISSION. There is
14 created in the Office of the Governor the New Capital Site Planning
15 Commission. The commission is responsible to the executive branch of
16 the state government. The commission is responsible for effecting the
17 four phases of the capital move according to sec. 210 of this chapter.

18 Sec. 44.06.210. PHASED CAPITAL MOVE. There are established four
19 phases for the movement of the capital to the Willow site.

20 (1) Phase I. The capital will be moved no later than Novem-
21 ber 1, 1978, to the Willow site. This will be a temporary site for not
22 more than three years. The site will be on the nearest usable land to
23 the Anchorage-Fairbanks Highway and will not be used as any part of the
24 permanent location. The temporary site development and installation
25 will be handled by the Department of Public Works with the guidance of
26 the New Capital Site Planning Commission. Resalable modular buildings
27 will be used for this site of a quality equal to or better than the
28 Alyeska Pipeline camp units. The governor's office, lieutenant governor's
29 office, Department of Law, legislature and Legislative Affairs Agency

1 will be housed at the temporary site. Some transient office space will
2 be provided. Members of the governor's cabinet and other necessary per-
3 sonnel will be accommodated when needed by the governor or the legisla-
4 ture. Some accommodation shall be made for temporary public facilities
5 such as cafeteria, lounges and conference rooms. Communication facili-
6 ties adequate to provide easy access to Juneau and government offices
7 throughout the state will be provided. These facilities may be purchased
8 or leased, whichever works to the best interest of the state. The
9 facilities will be operated by the Department of Public Works.

10 (2) Phase II. This phase will commence immediately with the
11 appointment of the New Capital Site Planning Commission to proceed with
12 the planning of the permanent site in accordance with sec. 240 of this
13 chapter.

14 (3) Phase III. This phase is the actual construction on the
15 permanent site to be instituted by the New Capital Site Planning Commis-
16 sion and the Department of Public Works.

17 (4) Phase IV. This phase is to provide for a smooth and
18 gradual move to the permanent capital site.

19 Sec. 44.06.220. MEMBERSHIP. (a) Within 15 days following the
20 effective date of this Act, the governor shall appoint a commission
21 consisting of nine members, subject to confirmation by a majority of the
22 members of the legislature in joint session. Members shall be appointed
23 from people committed to moving the capital on a nonpartisan basis, and
24 shall be selected as follows:

25 (1) one member must be a registered architect who may be
26 selected from a list of names submitted by professional architect
27 societies or associations;

28 (2) one member must be a registered engineer who may be
29 selected from a list of names submitted by professional engineer

1 societies or associations;

2 (3) one member with a financial or economic background who
3 may be selected from a list of names submitted by banking and financial
4 associations or societies;

5 (4) one member with land use planning background who may be
6 selected from a list of names submitted by professional planner socie-
7 ties or associations; and

8 (5) five members appointed from the general public and
9 committed to the capital move.

10 (b) The commissioners of natural resources, public works, revenue,
11 community and regional affairs or their designees, and the mayor of the
12 Matanuska-Susitna Borough or his designee, shall serve as nonvoting
13 ex officio members of the commission.

14 (c) The members are entitled to receive \$100 per day for their
15 service on the commission and per diem and travel expenses as authorized
16 by law.

17 Sec. 44.06.230. MEETING OF THE COMMISSION. The members shall
18 elect a chairman and vice-chairman from among their membership. The
19 governor shall call the first meeting of the commission within 30 days
20 after approval of the members. A majority of the members constitutes a
21 quorum for conducting business and exercising the powers of the commis-
22 sion. The commission shall meet at the call of the chairman or at the
23 request of a majority of the members or at a regularly scheduled time
24 as determined by the members.

25 Sec. 44.06.240. PURPOSE; DETAILED DEVELOPMENT PLAN; DUTIES OF THE
26 COMMISSION. (a) The purpose of the commission is to prepare a detailed
27 plan for development of the permanent capital site which must be approved
28 by the legislature. This detailed development plan shall be completed
29 no later than January 1, 1979, and shall be made subject to public input

1 during its formulation. Following completion of the plan, the commission
2 shall make public presentations of it throughout the state.

3 (b) The detailed development plan shall include, but need not be
4 limited to, the following elements: community facilities, transportation
5 public utilities, commercial and industrial development, residential
6 development, water resources, environmental aspects. It shall include
7 provisions addressing each element in terms of its social and economic
8 impact. The plan should also address governmental jurisdictions, in-
9 cluding statements as to the appropriate planning authority and recom-
10 mendations as to the forms and powers of the local government. The
11 commission shall also develop a planning work program.

12 (c) The commission shall perform physical and geotechnical site-
13 specific analysis and related mapping.

14 (d) The commission shall conduct an analysis of the opportunity
15 for the reorganizing and regionalization of state government, and
16 develop a list of executive agencies which are expected to be located in
17 the capital. This list shall include the offices to be moved, the
18 number of personnel to be employed in those offices, and the anticipated
19 required office space for that number of persons. This list shall be
20 used for capital site planning purposes only, and is not binding as to
21 which executive agencies may be located in the capital. The commission
22 shall then develop a relocation phasing plan.

23 (e) The commission shall recommend to the legislature the type of
24 development entity which would be responsible for capital city develop-
25 ment as well as the powers and authority which should be vested in this
26 development entity and develop cost estimates on a square footage basis.

27 Sec. 44.06.250. FUNDING. The commission is subject to the Execu-
28 tive Budget Act (AS 37.07) and funding by the legislature.

29 Sec. 44.06.260. ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMISSION. (a) The commission

1 shall use all the competent professional and technical services required
2 to assist in the planning. The commission may choose the consultants
3 which in its judgment are necessary to assist in the planning. The
4 commission may also request any information which it considers essential
5 from any agency or division of the state.

6 (b) The commission shall develop an appropriate procedure in order
7 to select competent firms to develop the elements involved in the capital
8 site development plan within the time frame called for in sec. 230 of
9 this chapter. The commission shall consider the feasibility of conduct-
10 ing an international competition for the design of the capital city.

11 Sec. 44.06.270. REPORTS. The commission shall report on its work
12 every six months. This report shall be distributed to the governor,
13 the legislature, chief justice of the supreme court, and the general
14 public.

15 * Sec. 2. AS 39.50.200(9) is amended by adding a new subparagraph to
16 read:

17 (MM) New Capital Site Planning Commission (AS 44.06.200).

18 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-
19 070(c).