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HOUSE BILL NO. 49

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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TENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the number of state employees; and
7 providing for an effective date."

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

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* Section 1. PURPOSE. The legislature determines that the government of
10 the State of Alaska, while not yet so large as state and municipal govern-
11 ments in other parts of the United States, is growing too large too quickly,
12 and disproportionately to the resources of the state. Accordingly, the
13 legislature concludes that it must seek more effective measures for the
14 control of the size of the Alaska state government. While it will continue
15 to control the size of state government through the exercise of its con-
16 stitutional responsibilities to authorize programs and appropriate to those
17 programs, it intends also to maintain control over the actual number of
18 employees working for the state.

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* Sec. 2. STATE EMPLOYMENT CONTROL COMMISSION ESTABLISHED. There is
20 created in the Office of the Governor a temporary Commission on State Employ-
21 ment Control.

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* Sec. 3. COMPOSITION OF THE COMMISSION. The commission is composed of
23 nine members appointed by the governor, subject to legislative confirmation,
24 without regard to political affiliation and representative of the different
25 geographic areas of the state in the proportion that state employees reside
26 in that geographic area.

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* Sec. 4. DUTIES AND TERM OF THE COMMISSION. The commission shall meet
28 promptly after its establishment, and within 90 days the commission shall
29 make recommendations to the legislature which, if adopted, will effect a

1 12 per cent reduction in the number of state employees. The commission is
2 dissolved 30 days after the date of its recommendations to the legislature or
3 on the 90th day after its establishment, whichever occurs first.

4 * Sec. 5. EXPENSES. Members of the commission receive no compensation
5 but are entitled to the travel expenses and per diem authorized for members
6 of boards and commissions.

7 * Sec. 6. STAFF. The Office of the Governor shall provide staff services
8 to the commission during its existence.

9 * Sec. 7. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS. The Second
10 Session of the Tenth State Legislature will, within 30 days after it meets,
11 by a roll call vote, either (1) enact legislation, implementing the commis-
12 sion's recommendations or (2) enact legislation implementing alternate plans
13 which will achieve the same goal.

14 * Sec. 8. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect immediately in accor-
15 dance with AS 01.10.070(c).

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