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Referred: Health, Education &
Social Services

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY
REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 152

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to a mental health advisory council;
7 and providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 47.30.605 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

10 Sec. 47.30.605. MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL. (a) There is
11 created a Mental Health Advisory Council appointed by the governor to
12 advise and assist the department in initiating and implementing mental
13 health services. The council consists of 12 appointed voting members
14 who are interested and knowledgeable in mental health. The composition
15 of the council is as provided in the federal Community Mental Health
16 Act (P.L. 94-63).

17 (b) The council shall:

18 (1) advise the division on the state mental health plans
19 before implementation of these plans;

20 (2) periodically review all mental health services in the
21 state, reports of which shall be prepared and submitted to the governor,
22 the legislature, the department, and the Statewide Health Coordinating
23 Council;

24 (3) conduct independent investigations and studies as may
25 be necessary;

26 (4) recommend regulations, standards and legislation for
27 the administration of community and institutional mental health services

28 (5) encourage coordination of all mental health services on
29 a regional basis to insure nonduplication, nonfragmentation, and effi-

1 ciency in the delivery of services;

2 (6) act as a subcommittee of the Statewide Health Coordinat-
3 ing Council in the area of mental health to assist that council in
4 meeting its responsibilities under federal and state law.

5 (c) The council shall meet at the call of the chairman but shall
6 meet at least once quarterly.

7 (d) Members of the council are not entitled to a salary, but are
8 entitled to per diem, reimbursement for travel, and other expenses
9 authorized by law for other boards.

10 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.-
11 10070(c).