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Referred: Community &
Regional Affairs and Finance

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY ANDERSON

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 451

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 the regionalization of the Depart-
7 ment of Community and Regional Affairs; and providing
8 for an effective date."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 44.39 is amended by adding a new section to read:

11 Sec. 44.39.015. DEPARTMENTAL ORGANIZATION. (a) The commissioner
12 shall establish administrative regions in the state as described in (b)
13 of this section. The functions of the department within each adminis-
14 trative region shall be performed, to the maximum extent feasible,
15 through a regional office located in the following cities: (1) Barrow;
16 (2) Kotzebue; (3) Nome; (4) Fairbanks; (5) Bethel; (6) Naknek; (7) Sand
17 Point; (8) Kodiak; (9) Anchorage; (10) Juneau and (11) Ketchikan. Each
18 regional office shall be directed by a regional community and regional
19 affairs director appointed by the commissioner.

20 (b) The administrative regions of the department shall be estab-
21 lished in the following election districts:

22 (1) Arctic Slope Region -- that part of election districts
23 16 and 17 that are within the boundaries of the North Slope Borough;

24 (2) Kotzebue Region -- that part of election district 17
25 that is outside the boundaries of the North Slope Borough;

26 (3) Bering Straits Region -- election district 18;

27 (4) Bethel Region -- election districts 14 and 19, and that
28 part of election district 15 south of 62° north latitude;

29 (5) Bristol Bay Region -- election district 13;

1 (6) Aleutians Region -- election district 12;

2 (7) Kodiak Region -- election district 11;

3 (8) Fairbanks Region -- that part of election district 15
4 north of 62° north latitude and that part of election district 16 that
5 is outside the boundaries of the North Slope Borough;

6 (9) Southcentral Region -- election districts 6 - 10;

7 (10) Northern Panhandle Region -- election districts 3 - 5;

8 (11) Southern Panhandle Region -- election districts 1 and 2.

9 (c) The election districts used in (b) of this section are those
10 designated by the Proclamation of Reapportionment and Redistricting of
11 December 7, 1961, and retained for the house of representatives by pro-
12 clamation of the governor, September 3, 1965.

13 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect July 1, 1978.