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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 493

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 organization of the University  
7 of Alaska."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 14.40.010 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

10 (b) The University of Alaska is a statewide system with its main  
11 office located in the state capital. Components of the statewide system  
12 are the University of Alaska at Anchorage, the University of Alaska at  
13 Bethel, the University of Alaska at Fairbanks, the University of Alaska  
14 at Juneau, the University of Alaska at Kenai, the University of Alaska  
15 at Ketchikan, the University of Alaska at Kodiak, the University of  
16 Alaska at Nome, the University of Alaska at Palmer, the University of  
17 Alaska at Sitka, and such other campuses as may be established under the  
18 provisions of sec. 15 of this chapter.

19 \* Sec. 2. AS 14.40 is amended by adding new sections to read:

20 Sec. 14.40.015. NEW CAMPUSES. A new campus of the University of  
21 Alaska may be established by the Board of Regents after approval by the  
22 legislature of a plan which shall contain, as a minimum,

23 (1) a needs assessment;

24 (2) a description of the key elements of the curriculum to be  
25 offered;

26 (3) a budget for the first year of operation and projected  
27 budgets for the second and third years of operation;

28 (4) a description of any cooperative arrangements entered  
29 into or to be entered into with a local governing body, the federal

1 government or any private agency.

2 Sec. 14.40.025. GOVERNANCE OF THE CAMPUSES. Each campus of the  
3 University of Alaska shall be under the direction of a chancellor who  
4 shall report directly to the president of the university. The chancellor  
5 shall have full authority and responsibility for the operation of the  
6 campus under the direction of the Board of Regents and the president but  
7 must comply with systemwide guidelines established by the Board of  
8 Regents. For the purposes of this section, "systemwide guidelines"  
9 includes, but is not limited to,

10 (1) degree requirements;

11 (2) qualifications, promotion and dismissal standards, and  
12 pay for faculty;

13 (3) standard accounting procedures.

14 Sec. 14.40.027. POLICY BOARDS. (a) Broad policy for each campus  
15 of the University of Alaska shall be established by a policy board for  
16 that campus. Each policy board shall consist of nine members broadly  
17 representative of the area in which the campus is located with due  
18 regard being given to an equitable ethnic and sex distribution. Policy  
19 board members shall be appointed by the president of the university from  
20 lists of names submitted to him by borough assemblies, city councils,  
21 school boards, and civic organizations in the campus area. All appoint-  
22 ments are subject to ratification by the Board of Regents.

23 (b) The term of members is three years. Each policy board shall  
24 elect a chairman from among its members and shall establish bylaws  
25 necessary for its operation.

26 (c) A policy board may, by two-thirds vote of the total board,  
27 recommend to the Board of Regents the dismissal, demotion, or retirement  
28 of the chancellor. Upon receipt of such recommendation, the Board of  
29 Regents shall, by official action taken by a majority of the whole

1 board, approve or deny the recommendation.

2 Sec. 14.40.035. BUDGET. (a) Each chancellor is responsible for  
3 preparation of his campus budget except for the first year of operation  
4 of a new campus as prescribed in sec. 15 of this chapter. The budget  
5 requires the approval of the policy board, by a majority vote of the  
6 whole board, before submission to the Board of Regents.

7 (b) The Board of Regents shall, in the event that it changes the  
8 chancellor's original budget, include the original budget as an addendum  
9 to its total budget request. Copies of the original request shall be  
10 submitted to the finance committees of the house of representatives and  
11 the senate, regardless of the action taken on the budget by the governor.

12 (c) The legislature shall specify in the budget the total amount  
13 allocated to each campus. Transfers of funds between campuses require  
14 the approval of the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee.

15 Sec. 14.40.105. OUTREACH ACTIVITIES. The Board of Regents shall  
16 assign to appropriate campuses the responsibility for off-campus teach-  
17 ing, research, and public service activities in specified geographic  
18 areas. These activities may include but are not limited to the estab-  
19 lishment of learning centers, "circuit-riding" instructional teams or  
20 faculty members, instruction on military bases, courses taught by radio  
21 and television, and correspondence courses.

22 Sec. 14.40.107. INTERCAMPUS PROGRAMS. The Board of Regents may  
23 establish such intercampus programs as it considers necessary if funds  
24 are made available to the affected campuses. If a policy board by  
25 resolution of a majority of its members opposes the establishment of a  
26 program on its campus, the Board of Regents shall reconsider the matter.  
27 After reconsideration, the Board of Regents' decision is final.

28 \* Sec. 3. AS 14.40.170(a)(1) and (2) are amended to read:

29 (1) appoint the president and chancellors of the university

1 by a majority vote of the whole board, and the president may attend  
2 meetings of the board;

3 (2) fix the compensation of the president and chancellors of  
4 the university, all heads of departments, professors, teachers, instruc-  
5 tors, policy board members and other officers;

6 \* Sec. 4. AS 14.40.170(b)(2) is amended to read:

7 (2) determine and regulate degree programs [THE COURSE OF  
8 INSTRUCTION] in the university with the advice of the president and  
9 chancellors.

10 \* Sec. 5. AS 14.40.210 is amended to read:

11 Sec. 14.40.210. POWERS OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY. The  
12 president of the University of Alaska may

13 (1) give general direction to the work of the institution [IN  
14 ALL ITS DEPARTMENTS] subject to the approval of the Board of Regents;

15 (2) appoint state-wide administrative officers to positions  
16 established by the Board of Regents [APPOINT THE DEANS, HEADS OF DEPART-  
17 MENTS, PROFESSORS, ASSISTANTS, INSTRUCTORS, TUTORS AND OTHER OFFICERS OF  
18 THE UNIVERSITY TO THE POSITIONS ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS].

19 \* Sec. 6. AS 14.40.100, 14.40.240, 14.40.260, and 14.40.560 - 14.40.640  
20 are repealed.