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2 SS HOUSE BILL NO. 666
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act creating the University of Alaska Structure and
7 Fiscal Review Committee; and providing for an effective
8 date."

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

10 * Section 1. The University of Alaska is established by art. VII, sec. 2,
11 of the state constitution as the state university. Under sec. 3 of that ar-
12 ticle the board of regents is established as the governing body of the uni-
13 versity which has the duty, in accordance with law, to formulate policy.
14 Substantial problems have arisen which, at least in part, are a result of the
15 structure of the university and the business management and fiscal procedures
16 utilized. The university is in a grave situation requiring the legislature
17 to examine the laws governing the university in order that the laws under
18 which policy must constitutionally be formulated provide a framework in which
19 the problems of the university may best be solved. Full information to
20 perform this legislative function is not now available. Establishment of a
21 temporary committee to review the structure and business management of the
22 university would contribute to the solution of the problems.

23 * Sec. 2. There is created within the Office of the Governor the Univer-
24 sity of Alaska Structure and Fiscal Review Committee. The committee is com-
25 posed of nine members to be appointed by the governor not later than 15 days
26 after the effective date of this Act. Three members of the board shall be
27 from senior college faculty of the university, three members shall be from
28 community college faculty or community college administrators and three mem-
29 bers shall be public members. The commissioners of administration, educa-

1 tion, and revenue, the director of the division of policy development and
2 planning of the Office of the Governor, the president of the university, the
3 executive director of the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education, one
4 member of the Alaska State Senate appointed by the president of the senate
5 and one member of the Alaska State House of Representatives appointed by the
6 speaker of the house, shall be ex officio members of the committee who may
7 not vote. The committee shall elect a chairman and may elect other officers
8 and enact bylaws for the efficient accomplishment of its duties under this
9 Act.

10 * Sec. 3. The committee shall review the structure, business management
11 practices, and fiscal procedures of the university. Based upon this review
12 it shall prepare a comprehensive report of its activities and recommendations
13 which shall be presented to the legislature no later than March 1, 1979.

14 * Sec. 4. The committee has no functions in the academic practices and
15 policy of the university nor shall it have any executive or administrative
16 authority.

17 * Sec. 5. The committee established by this Act shall expire March 1,
18 1979.

19 * Sec. 6. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-
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