

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST

2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 88 am H
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Directing the Legislative Council to
6 carry out certain studies.

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

8 The legislature has determined that the laws of the state found in
9 Title 4, Alaska Statutes, and relating to the sale and dispensing of alco-
10 holic beverages, are in serious disarray. This disarray is the result of
11 patchwork amending over several decades and as a result the laws are very
12 difficult to administer effectively and defy constructive amendment on a
13 piecemeal basis. This small but important body of law is overdue for a
14 substantive revision. A revision project would involve a thorough review of
15 the policies involved and a comprehensive rearrangement and rewording of the
16 laws to make effective administration possible and to facilitate legislative
17 amendment in the future.

18 The Senate Special Committee on the Revision of Title 4 of the Alaska
19 Statutes (Alcoholic Beverages) will expire with other special committees at
20 the end of the regular session, but the legislature finds that the subject
21 matter before it will require interim attention between adjournment and the
22 convening of the next legislature.

23 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that under provisions of
24 AS 24.20.090 and Uniform Rule 48(c) the Legislative Council is directed to
25 establish a joint interim committee of the council to continue the special
26 committee's work and accomplish a substantive revision of Title 4, Alaska
27 Statutes (Alcoholic Beverages) during the 1978 interim; and

28 WHEREAS the State Personnel Act (AS 39.25) of the State of Alaska
29 represents a considerable and vital body of law which has not undergone

1 substantive revision and is consequently vastly out of step with personnel
2 developments of the last decade; and

3 WHEREAS the advent of collective bargaining and the tremendous growth
4 in the number of state government employees require refinement of the
5 personnel system; and

6 WHEREAS investigations by the Legislative Audit Division and the
7 Office of the Ombudsman have revealed major deficiencies in the present
8 personnel system; and

9 WHEREAS it is impossible during the course of a legislative session
10 to devote the necessary time required to study and refine the Personnel Act;

11 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Legislative
12 Council, in cooperation with the Director of Personnel, is authorized to
13 form a "blue ribbon" commission to study and refine the State Personnel Act
14 and to investigate the feasibility of decentralizing the hiring of employees
15 and a method for regularizing the hiring of specialists who, because of
16 higher comparable salaries in the private sector for the skills involved,
17 must be paid at levels in excess of the salary schedule, and to submit
18 to the First Session of the Eleventh Legislature a proposed revision
19 of the State Personnel Act based on the commission's recommendations;
20 and be it

21 FURTHER RESOLVED that the membership of the commission should be repre-
22 sentative of all persons and groups vitally concerned with the personnel
23 system; and be it

24 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Council is authorized to contract
25 with a competent person or firm knowledgeable in the varying aspects of
26 personnel administration to oversee and direct the work of the commission.
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