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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 506

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the compensation of judicial offi-
7 cers, public officers, and legislators, and the payment
8 of legislative travel and per diem; and providing for
9 an effective date."

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

11 * Section 1. SALARIES OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS, PUBLIC OFFICERS, AND LEGIS-
12 LATORS. (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of AS 39.23, AS 39.20.010,
13 39.20.030, 39.20.080, AS 42.05.091, AS 42.06.090, AS 16.43.060, AS 22.05.-
14 140(a), AS 22.10.190(a), AS 22.15.220(a), and AS 24.15.020, the salaries set
15 out in this section shall be paid to the listed judicial officers, public
16 officers, and legislators until the effective date of the next recommenda-
17 tions of the Alaska Salary Commission which are approved by the legislature.
18 The salaries set out in (b) of this section are retroactive to January 1,
19 1979.

20 (b) The following salaries shall be paid to the listed officers in
21 accordance with (a) of this section:

22	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
23	(1) Governor	\$57,231
24	(2) Lieutenant Governor	51,088
25	(3) Commissioners, principal executive departments	51,088
26	(4) Deputy commissioners, principal executive	
27	departments	45,762
28	(5) Members, Alaska Public Utilities Commission	44,353
29	(6) Chairman, Alaska Public Utilities Commission	44,853

1	(7) Members, Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry	
2	Commission	44,353
3	(8) Chairman, Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry	
4	Commission	44,853
5	(9) Members, Alaska Pipeline Commission	44,353
6	(10) Chairman, Alaska Pipeline Commission	44,853
7	(11) Supreme Court justice	57,231
8	(12) Superior Court judge	52,462
9	(13) District Court judge	44,353
10	(14) State legislator	12,690
11	(15) President of Senate	13,190
12	(16) Speaker of House of Representatives	13,190

13 (c) Effective January 1, 1980, and each January 1 thereafter, the
14 annual salary for each public officer described in (b) of this section shall
15 be adjusted by applying to the then current salary a percentage equal to 80
16 per cent of the percentage increase, if any, in the United States Department
17 of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index (Urban and Clerical
18 Workers) for Anchorage, Alaska, between January 1 and December 31 of the
19 immediately preceding year. This subsection does not apply to salaries of
20 the directors of divisions of principal executive departments. The provi-
21 sions of this subsection are subject to legislative appropriation.

22 (d) Notwithstanding (b)(4) of this section, a state employee whose
23 salary exceeds \$45,762 who accepts appointment as a deputy commissioner shall
24 continue to receive the higher salary.

25 (e) This Act does not change the salary level of division directors of
26 the principal executive departments and those directors shall be paid on the
27 state salary schedule in AS 39.27.011 up to a maximum annual salary of
28 \$50,000. A division director whose salary exceeded \$50,000 annually on
29 December 31, 1978, shall remain at that salary without further increases.

1 Promotions from deputy director to director of a division may necessitate
2 that the person receiving the promotion move into a step other than "A" on
3 the salary schedule in order to be assured a salary increase; in such a case
4 the person receiving the promotion should enter at the lowest step necessary
5 to receive a salary increase. A director whose salary is frozen as of
6 December 31, 1978, shall, as of January 1, 1979, be placed on the state
7 salary schedule in AS 39.27.011 at the appropriate range which is closest to,
8 but not less than, his current salary and his salary progress shall follow
9 the steps outlined in the salary schedule to a maximum of \$50,000 annually.
10 A state employee who, without a break in continuous service, is appointed to
11 a position of division director after December 31, 1978, shall be placed, on
12 appointment, on the state salary schedule in AS 39.27.011 at the appropriate
13 range and step which is closest to, but not less than, his current salary,
14 and his salary progress shall follow the steps outlined in the salary
15 schedule to a maximum of \$50,000 annually.

16 * Sec. 2. LEGISLATIVE TRAVEL AND PER DIEM. (a) Upon presentation of
17 proof, each legislator shall be reimbursed for one round trip to his home
18 district during each regular session.

19 (b) Notwithstanding AS 24.15.010, each legislator shall receive per
20 diem at the same rate as a state employee, including applicable regional
21 variations in per diem. A legislator who does not live in his city of resi-
22 dence during a regular or special session shall be paid per diem at the
23 short-term rate. Per diem for interim committee work shall be paid at the
24 short-term rate, except that per diem shall be paid at the long-term (lower)
25 rate to a legislator who stays in his city of residence while on legislative
26 business.

27 * Sec. 3. EFFECT OF ACT. This Act may not be applied to reduce the
28 compensation of any person.

29 * Sec. 4. RETROACTIVITY. This Act is retroactive to January 1, 1979.

1 * Sec. 5. TERMINATION OF SECTION 1(e). Unless earlier terminated under
2 sec. 6 of this Act, sec. 1(c) of this Act terminates on December 31, 1984.

3 * Sec. 6. TERMINATION OF ACT. This Act terminates on the effective date
4 of the next recommendations of the Alaska Salary Commission (AS 39.23) which
5 are approved by the legislature in accordance with AS 39.23.080(c).

6 * Sec. 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect immediately in accor-
7 dance with AS 01.10.070(c).

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