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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 153

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the Legislative Budget and Audit
7 Committee; establishing a joint budget subcommittee;
8 and providing for an effective date."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 24.20.161 is amended to read:

11 Sec. 24.20.161. MEMBERSHIP. The Legislative Budget and Audit Com-
12 mittee is composed of 10 members: (1) the chairmen of the senate and
13 house finance committees; (2) one majority and one minority member
14 selected from each of the senate and house finance committees and
15 appointed by the president of the senate and speaker of the house,
16 respectively; and (3) two [THREE] members appointed from each house by
17 the respective presiding officer. [THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FINANCE COMMIT-
18 TEE MAY CHOOSE NOT TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE. IF THIS OCCURS, THE
19 PRESIDING OFFICER OF THE APPROPRIATE HOUSE SHALL APPOINT A REPLACEMENT
20 FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. THE MEMBERSHIP FROM EACH HOUSE SHALL IN-
21 CLUDE AT LEAST ONE MEMBER FROM EACH OF THE TWO MAJOR POLITICAL PARTIES.]
22 The committee shall select its own chairman.

23 * Sec. 2. AS 24.20 is amended by adding a new section to read:

24 Sec. 24.20.195. JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE. (a) The Joint Budget
25 Committee is established as a permanent interim subcommittee of the
26 Legislative Budget and Audit Committee. The subcommittee is composed of
27 the six members of the finance committee serving on the Legislative
28 Budget and Audit Committee in accordance with AS 24.20.161(1) and (2).

29 (b) The Joint Budget Committee shall

1 (1) review state revenue projections and make recommendations
2 concerning revenues to the legislature, as provided in the Executive
3 Budget Act (AS 37.07); and

4 (2) review requests for state agency annual program appro-
5 priations and supplemental appropriations, and make recommendations on
6 these requests to the legislature in the format of an appropriation
7 bill, accompanied by the documentation for appropriation bills prepared
8 by the legislative finance division.

9 * Sec. 3. AS 37.07.070 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 37.07.070. LEGISLATIVE REVIEW. The legislature shall con-
11 sider the governor's proposed comprehensive operating and capital im-
12 provements programs and financial plans, evaluate alternatives to the
13 plans, make program selections among the various alternatives and deter-
14 mine, subject to available revenues, the level of funding required to
15 support authorized state services. During each regular session of the
16 legislature, legislative review of the plans shall be accomplished
17 according to the following schedule:

18 (1) By the 45th legislative day, the legislature shall have
19 established by concurrent resolution the total amount of state general
20 funds that shall be available for appropriation for the budget year and
21 the tentative allocation of the funds among program categories in both
22 the operating and capital budgets. The resolution shall be introduced
23 by the Joint Budget Committee [FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE IN WHICH
24 THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS BILL WAS INTRODUCED].

25 (2) By the 90th legislative day, the house in which the
26 general appropriations bill was introduced by the governor shall have
27 calendared for second reading a version of the general appropriations
28 bill as reported by the Joint Budget Committee. The bill shall be
29 supported with documentation to explain the proposed appropriations and

1 related statements of intent. In addition, a list of other appropria-
2 tions or measures with fiscal implications pending before the legisla-
3 ture shall be included with the documentation for the calendared bill.

4 * Sec. 4. AS 24.20.201(b) is repealed.

5 * Sec. 5. This Act takes effect January 1, 1981.
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