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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 349

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing an Alaska Transportation Project
7 Priorities Board."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 44.42 is amended by adding new sections to read:

10 ARTICLE 2. ALASKA TRANSPORTATION PROJECT PRIORITIES BOARD.

11 Sec. 44.42.090. ESTABLISHMENT OF BOARD. There is established the
12 Alaska Transportation Project Priorities Board. The board is within the
13 Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, but for administra-
14 tive purposes only.

15 Sec. 44.42.100. APPOINTMENT AND QUALIFICATIONS. The board con-
16 sists of five members appointed by the governor. Each member must be a
17 resident and legally qualified voter of Alaska at the time of his
18 appointment and while serving on the board. One member shall be
19 appointed from each of the four judicial districts of the state and the
20 fifth member shall be appointed at large.

21 Sec. 44.42.110. TERMS OF OFFICE. (a) Members of the board shall
22 be appointed for overlapping terms of five years.

23 (b) The governor shall fill a vacancy in the membership of the
24 board for the balance of an unexpired term.

25 (c) The board shall select a chairman from among its members.

26 Sec. 44.42.120. PER DIEM AND EXPENSES. Members of the board
27 receive no salary, but are entitled to per diem and travel expenses
28 authorized by law for other boards and commissions.

29 Sec. 44.42.130. MEETINGS. The chairman may call meetings of the

1 board upon at least seven days notice, and must call meetings upon the
2 request of two members.

3 Sec. 44.42.140. QUORUM AND MAJORITY. Three members of the board
4 constitute a quorum for the conduct of business, and a vote of the
5 majority of members present constitutes the action of the board.

6 Sec. 44.42.150. POWERS. The board shall determine which of the
7 projects necessary to implement the long-range transportation plan
8 developed under AS 44.42.050 and AS 19.10.140 are in most immediate need
9 of completion, considering the transportation needs of the entire state,
10 and shall assign priorities among those projects.

11 * Sec. 2. AS 19.10.150 is amended to read:

12 Sec. 19.10.150. CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM. Before February 2 of each
13 year, the department shall prepare a statement showing what construction
14 work has been [REQUESTED AND] proposed and approved by the Alaska Trans-
15 portation Project Priorities Board and may be undertaken by the depart-
16 ment. The statement shall set forth a general itemization of the
17 estimated cost for each project and the total estimates of all projects.
18 The department shall adopt a construction program which shall include
19 the projects to be undertaken by it during the following construction
20 season in accordance with the priorities established by the Alaska
21 Transportation Project Priorities Board [AND SHALL ESTABLISH PROJECT
22 PRIORITIES]. The department may increase, decrease, amend or revise the
23 construction program from time to time as circumstances warrant.

24 * Sec. 3. AS 44.42.050(d) is amended to read:

25 (d) The plan shall include a description of projects approved by
26 the Alaska Transportation Project Priorities Board [PLANNED] for design
27 and construction for the following two years. The description is in
28 addition to the long-range plan required by (a) of this section and by
29 AS 19.10.140. The description shall include an itemization of the

1 estimated cost for each project and the total cost of all projects. The
2 commissioner shall propose and forward to the governor for his review
3 and approval and inclusion, as approved, in the capital budget a con-
4 struction program which includes the projects approved for implementa-
5 tion by the Alaska Transportation Project Priorities Board [TO BE UNDER-
6 TAKEN] during the following two years, including [RECOMMENDED] project
7 priorities assigned by that board. Funds for transportation construc-
8 tion projects and necessary contingencies shall be itemized as alloca-
9 tions within the bill for the general appropriations act.

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