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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 2d SENATE CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 585 am S

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to municipalities; amending AS 29 to  
7 provide for the incorporation of home rule boroughs;  
8 and increasing the limit on the rate of sales tax which  
9 may be levied by municipalities."

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

11 \* Section 1. AS 29.08.010 is amended to read:

12 Sec. 29.08.010. HOME RULE. A home rule municipality is a municipal  
13 corporation and political subdivision and is a [BOROUGH OF THE FIRST  
14 CLASS OR] city of the first class or an organized borough which has  
15 adopted a home rule charter. It has all legislative powers not prohib-  
16 ited by law or charter.

17 \* Sec. 2. AS 29.13.010 is amended to read:

18 Sec. 29.13.010. MUNICIPAL CHARTER ADOPTION. A first class muni-  
19 cipality or second class borough may adopt a charter for its own govern-  
20 ment. A home rule municipality may amend its charter or adopt a new  
21 one. A charter is framed by a charter commission of seven members  
22 chosen by the municipal voters at a regular or special election. A  
23 candidate for the commission shall [MUST] be a qualified voter of the  
24 municipality and a resident of the municipality for three years immedi-  
25 ately preceding the election. A charter commission election is called  
26 by filing a petition with the borough assembly or the city council, or  
27 by resolution of the borough assembly or city council. The petition  
28 shall [MUST] be signed by a number of municipal voters equal to 15 [10]  
29 percent of the votes cast in the last regular election of the muni-

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\* Sec. 3. AS 29.53.415(a) is amended to read:

(a) A borough may levy and collect a sales tax not exceeding six [THREE] percent on sales or rents, and on services made within the borough. The sales tax may apply to any or all of these sources. Exemptions may be granted by ordinance.

(e) Any proposal increasing or decreasing the levy or collection of taxes referred to in (a) shall be approved by a majority vote of the people voting on the proposal at a regular, special or general election.