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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND  
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

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CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 651 am

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for a study of the community college  
7 system and establishing a legislative interim committee  
8 to assist in that study; and providing for an effective  
9 date."

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

11 \* Section 1. COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM STUDY. (a) The Commission on  
12 Postsecondary Education shall

13 (1) conduct a comprehensive study of the community college system;  
14 the study shall consider, but is not limited to,

15 (A) the existing and alternative administrative and reporting  
16 systems for the community colleges;

17 (B) the role of the community colleges in postsecondary  
18 education;

19 (C) the role of local policy advisory committees associated  
20 with community colleges with reference to the powers and duties of the  
21 Board of Regents of the University of Alaska, the office of the chancel-  
22 lor for the community college system, and the administration of com-  
23 munity college campuses;

24 (D) programs of study offered at each community college, and  
25 the responsiveness of those programs to the needs and concerns of the  
26 community and its people;

27 (E) existing and planned facilities for each of the community  
28 colleges;

29 (F) the relationship between community colleges and extension

1 centers of the University of Alaska; and

2 (G) unit costs of instruction at each of the community col-  
3 leges including foundation formula funding;

4 (2) with the cooperation of the University of Alaska, obtain  
5 information about faculty and administration membership and student enrol-  
6 lment for each campus of the community college system;

7 (3) convene public hearings in each of the communities in which a  
8 community college is located for the purpose of receiving testimony from  
9 interested persons regarding the community college system;

10 (4) prepare a report summarizing information about programs,  
11 facilities and costs, and public testimony concerning the community college  
12 system; and

13 (5) submit the report, together with all information gathered by  
14 the community and recommendations for legislation making changes in the  
15 community college system, to the First Session of the Twelfth Legislature not  
16 later than the 30th day of the session.

17 (b) There is established a legislative community college study over-  
18 sight committee. The committee is an interim committee of the legislature.  
19 The committee shall give general direction to the Commission on Postsecondary  
20 Education in the completion of the community college system study under (a)  
21 of this section, and review all reports prepared by the Commission on Post-  
22 secondary Education before adoption of those reports by the commission and  
23 transmittal of those reports to the legislature. The legislative community  
24 college study oversight committee may attend all public hearings of the  
25 Commission on Postsecondary Education which are concerned with the prepara-  
26 tion of the report required by (a) of this section. The legislative com-  
27 munity college study oversight committee consists of four members, including  
28 a member of the finance committee of the house of representatives and a  
29 member of the health, education and social services committee of the house of

1 representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house, and a member of the  
2 finance committee of the senate and a member of the health, education and  
3 social services committee of the senate appointed by the president of the  
4 senate.

5 \* Sec. 2. This Act terminates March 1, 1981.

6 \* Sec. 3. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-  
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