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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 697

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act creating the fisheries education steering com-  
7 mittee; and providing for an effective date."

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

9 \* Section 1. (a) There is established in the Department of Education the  
10 Fisheries Education Steering Committee consisting of 10 members as follows:

11 (1) one member from the Department of Commerce and Economic  
12 Development selected by the commissioner of commerce and economic develop-  
13 ment;

14 (2) three members representing the seafood processing industry in  
15 Alaska selected by the governor;

16 (3) three members representing the commercial fishing industry in  
17 Alaska selected by the governor;

18 (4) three Alaska educators with fisheries education experience,  
19 two of whom are selected by the commissioner of education and one of whom is  
20 selected by the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska.

21 (b) The commissioner of education shall provide assistance to the  
22 Fisheries Education Steering Committee as the commissioner considers appro-  
23 priate.

24 (c) The purpose of the Fisheries Education Steering Committee is to

25 (1) provide the legislature with a description of the needs of the  
26 fisheries industry and of fisheries users for practical fisheries education;  
27 and

28 (2) recommend methods for managing these needs taking into con-  
29 sideration the existing and developing fisheries education offered by Alaska

1 educational institutions.

2 (d) The Fisheries Education Steering Committee shall conduct a study of  
3 the feasibility of providing a program of practical fisheries education for  
4 Alaska residents. The committee shall consider including vocational, tech-  
5 nical and management training in the program, as well as economic incentives  
6 for program participants who remain in Alaska. The committee shall also make  
7 suggestions on the form of the program and on the most appropriate method for  
8 implementing the program. The committee shall prepare a report summarizing  
9 its study and shall distribute copies of the report to the governor, the  
10 commissioner of education, and the legislature no later than March 1, 1981.

11 (e) After distributing its report under (d) of this section, the Fish-  
12 eries Education Steering Committee shall (1) assist the legislature in review-  
13 ing its recommendations; (2) monitor the implementation of programs enacted  
14 by the legislature as a result of its recommendations; and (3) prepare a  
15 report and distribute a copy of the report to the legislature no later than  
16 January 31 of each year. The report shall include an analysis of the programs  
17 implemented as a result of the committee's recommendations and other recommen-  
18 dations the committee considers appropriate.

19 (f) Members of the Fisheries Education Steering Committee serve without  
20 compensation but are entitled to per diem and travel expenses as provided by  
21 law for boards and commissions.

22 (g) The existence of the Fisheries Education Steering Committee is  
23 terminated February 1, 1983.

24 \* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-  
25 070(c).

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