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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE LABOR AND
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 59 am

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to workers' compensation.

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

7 WHEREAS there has not been a major revision of the state workers' com-
8 pensation law since statehood; and

9 WHEREAS the many changes that have taken place in the state since enact-
10 ment of the workers' compensation law are sufficient reasons for the legis-
11 lature to thoroughly review the provisions of the Alaska Workmen's Compen-
12 sation Act; and

13 WHEREAS the cost of workers' compensation can be a burden on employers
14 in the state;

15 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that under AS 24.20.090
16 and Uniform Rule 48(c) the legislative council is directed to establish a
17 study group which consists of the following members:

18 (1) four employers subject to the workers' compensation law ap-
19 pointed jointly by the speaker of the house of representatives and the presi-
20 dent of the senate;

21 (2) four representatives of labor organizations who are covered by
22 the workers' compensation law appointed jointly by the speaker of the house
23 of representatives and the president of the senate;

24 (3) a state senator and a state representative appointed by the
25 chairman of the legislative council who shall be non-voting co-chairmen of
26 the study group; and be it

27 FURTHER RESOLVED that the governor is respectfully requested to direct
28 the director of the division of insurance, Department of Commerce and Eco-
29 nomic Development, and the director of the workmen's compensation division,

1 Department of Labor, to participate as members of the study group established
2 under this resolution; and be it

3 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the study group shall meet at least bimonthly and
4 shall by the 30th day of the First Session of the Twelfth Legislature report
5 to the legislature on its preliminary findings and recommendations concerning
6 changes in the workers' compensation law needed to eliminate antiquated and
7 inadequate provisions, to provide greater opportunity for the injured or
8 disabled worker to improve his or her income, to bring the workers' compensa-
9 tion law into harmony with current needs and conditions, and to minimize the
10 cost of workers' compensation to employers in the state.

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