

Original sponsor: Community and Regional
Affairs Committee

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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 70

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Directing the Alaska Legislative
6 Council to revise AS 29 (Municipal
7 Government)

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

9 WHEREAS Alaska has a system of local government that differs uniquely in
10 constitutional concept and in law from traditional local government; and

11 WHEREAS the law governing municipalities in Alaska were last reviewed
12 completely in 1972 at which time significant elements of the local government
13 structures were still in a formative stage; and

14 WHEREAS numerous amendments to the municipal code have been made since
15 its adoption which have not been fully integrated into the code; and

16 WHEREAS much experience in the Alaska system of local government has
17 been gained since adoption of the municipal code; and

18 WHEREAS there is a need for a comprehensive revision of the municipal
19 code which will consider the 1972 code, amendments to it, and the experience
20 gained since its adoption;

21 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that under the provisions
22 of AS 24.20.090 and Uniform Rule 48(c) the Alaska Legislative Council is
23 directed to prepare a revision of Title 29 of the Alaska Statute (Municipal
24 Government) by directing the legal services division of the Legislative
25 Affairs Agency to prepare the revision with the assistance of a policy advi-
26 sory group of legislators and municipal officials and a working group of
27 persons experienced in the application of AS 29 and by soliciting the support
28 and advice of the Alaska Code Revision Commission; and be it

29 FURTHER RESOLVED that the policy advisory group consist of two members

1 of each house of the legislature appointed by the presiding officer and other
2 members selected by the legislative members from persons recommended by the
3 Department of Community and Regional Affairs, the Alaska Municipal League,
4 the Rural Alaska Community Action Program, Inc., and other interested parties,
5 and the working group consist of municipal attorneys, municipal managers,
6 municipal clerks or other municipal staff, appointed by the director of legal
7 services of the Legislative Affairs Agency, representatives of the Depart-
8 ments of Community and Regional Affairs and Law and a member of the staff of
9 the legal services division; and be it

10 FURTHER RESOLVED that a proposed revision of AS 29 be presented to the
11 legislature during the first 30 days of the First Session of the Twelfth
12 Legislature.