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2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 350

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 the responsibilities of executive
7 departments of state government for certain state
8 programs; and providing for an effective date."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 44.17 is amended by adding new sections to read:

11 ARTICLE 2. PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT OF STATE SERVICES.

12 Sec. 44.17.100. PROGRAM DATA AND INFORMATION. (a) A principal
13 department of the executive branch of state government, including a
14 board or commission assigned to a department for administrative pur-
15 poses, shall use the home rule and general law boroughs, unified muni-
16 cipalities, and regional educational attendance areas as the geographic
17 units by which to collect and report data and information and process
18 and analyze statistics about each of its programs.

19 (b) The information, data and statistics required to be collected
20 and reported by this section include but are not limited to

21 (1) information which may be required by the division of
22 policy development and planning in the Office of the Governor to
23 describe the geographic distribution of the state's population, economic
24 activities, and public services; and

25 (2) information about the program, including

26 (A) the estimated number of persons needing a service;

27 (B) the number of persons served by the program;

28 (C) the costs of the services provided by the program;

29 and

1 (D) the conditions addressed or corrected by a service
2 provided by the program.

3 (c) A department, board or commission may request an exemption
4 from this section. An exemption granted under this subsection expires
5 on June 30, 1982. The request for exemption shall be submitted to the
6 governor, who may grant the exemption if he finds that additional ex-
7 pense, increased workload, or decreased efficiency in the operation of a
8 program or development of a new program would be substantially greater
9 than the public interest in compliance with this section. A department,
10 board or commission requesting an exemption under this subsection shall
11 submit to the governor a written statement

12 (1) naming the program for which an exemption is requested;

13 (2) describing the problems which would be encountered if the
14 department, board or commission were required to conform to this sec-
15 tion; and

16 (3) evaluating the effect of an exemption granted under this
17 subsection on the collection and reporting requirements of (a) of this
18 section for other programs administered by the department, board or
19 commission.

20 * Sec. 2. AS 44.17 is amended by adding new sections to read:

21 Sec. 44.17.110. PROGRAM PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT. (a) A principal
22 department of the executive branch of state government, including a
23 board or commission assigned to a department for administrative pur-
24 poses, shall use the home rule and general law boroughs, unified muni-
25 cipalities, and regional educational attendance areas of the state as
26 the geographic units by which to develop and implement plans for provid-
27 ing services and to coordinate program planning and administration with
28 the plans and programs of other agencies, municipalities and the federal
29 government.

1 (b) A department, board or commission may combine one or more home
2 rule boroughs, general law boroughs, unified municipalities, and regional
3 educational attendance areas to define the geographical area within
4 which a program is provided.

5 Sec. 44.17.120. REPORTING OF SERVICE COSTS. (a) A principal
6 department of the executive branch of the government, including a board
7 or commission assigned to a department for administrative purposes,
8 shall provide information giving the direct cost of providing services
9 to each municipality and regional educational attendance area used by
10 the department under AS 44.17.110(a) for the management and administra-
11 tion of its programs. The information shall be available to

12 (1) the division of budget and management in the Office of
13 the Governor, for its use in making recommendations for the program
14 budget of a department, board or commission;

15 (2) the legislature, for its use in consideration of the
16 state budget and other legislation relating to state services; and

17 (3) the public, upon request to the department, board or
18 commission.

19 (b) In this section, "direct cost" means a cost which is related
20 to providing a service, exclusive of general administrative and support
21 costs.

22 Sec. 44.17.130. EXEMPTION. The provisions of AS 44.17.110 -
23 44.17.120 do not apply to

24 (1) a program of an executive department, board or commission
25 which provides only professional or technical support services for
26 another state department, board or commission, as determined by the
27 governor; and

28 (2) a program for which exemption is specifically requested
29 by the department, board or commission, and granted by the governor

1 because

2 (A) the program concerns the conservation or development
3 of a natural resource; and

4 (B) the application of AS 44.17.110 - 44.17.120 would
5 cause a substantial impediment to the performance of duties by the
6 department, board, or commission.

7 Sec. 44.17.140. DEFINITION. In AS 44.17.100 - 44.17.140, "regional
8 educational attendance area" means a subdivision of the part of the
9 state not within an organized borough as determined by the commissioner
10 of community and regional affairs under AS 14.08.031.

11 * Sec. 3. AS 44.17 is amended by adding new sections to read:

12 ARTICLE 2. PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT OF STATE SERVICES.

13 Sec. 44.17.100. PROGRAM DATA AND INFORMATION. (a) A principal
14 department of the executive branch of state government, including a
15 board or commission assigned to a department for administrative pur-
16 poses, shall use the home rule and general law boroughs, unified muni-
17 cipalities, and unorganized boroughs as the geographic units by which to
18 collect and report data and information and process and analyze statis-
19 tics about each of its programs.

20 (b) The information, data and statistics required to be collected
21 and reported by this section include but are not limited to

22 (1) information which may be required by the division of
23 policy development and planning in the Office of the Governor to describe
24 the geographic distribution of the state's population, economic activi-
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- (1) naming the program for which an exemption is requested;
- (2) describing the problems which would be encountered if the department, board or commission were required to conform to this section; and
- (3) evaluating the effect of an exemption granted under this subsection on the collection and reporting requirements of (a) of this section for other programs administered by the department, board or commission.

* Sec. 4. AS 44.17 is amended by adding new sections to read:

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10 under AS 44.17.110(a) for the management and administration of its
11 programs. The information shall be available to

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13 the Governor, for its use in making recommendations for the program
14 budget of a department, board or commission;

15 (2) the legislature, for its use in consideration of the
16 state budget and other legislation relating to state services; and

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21 costs.

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25 which provides only professional or technical support services for
26 another state department, board or commission, as determined by the
27 governor; and

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29 by the department, board or commission, and granted by the governor

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2 (A) the program concerns the conservation or development
3 of a natural resource; and

4 (B) the application of AS 44.17.110 - 44.17.120 would
5 cause a substantial impediment to the performance of duties by the
6 department, board, or commission.

7 Sec. 44.17.140. DEFINITION. In AS 44.17.100 - 44.17.140, "un-
8 organized borough" means a subdivision of the part of the state not
9 within an organized borough as determined by the commissioner of com-
10 munity and regional affairs under AS 29.03.011 - 29.03.021.

11 * Sec. 5. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIVISION OF POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND
12 PLANNING. The division of policy development and planning in the Office of
13 the Governor shall

14 (1) by December 31, 1980, evaluate the cost and suitability of
15 data and information reference systems and recommend the use of a system by
16 the principal departments of the executive branch of the state government,
17 including boards and commissions assigned to those departments for adminis-
18 trative purposes; the data and information system recommended by the division
19 shall

20 (A) permit cross-referencing of data and information by the
21 executive departments, boards and commissions; and

22 (B) classify data and information on the basis of the geo-
23 graphic units used by a department, board or commission for program
24 management and cost reporting under AS 44.17.110 - 44.17.120.

25 (2) report to the legislature by July 1, 1983, alternatives and
26 recommendations for improving coordination of programs which provide direct
27 services to people, which are not exempt under AS 44.17.130.

28 * Sec. 6. Sections 3 and 4 of this Act take effect and secs. 1 and 2 of
29 this Act are repealed only if a version of an Act entitled "An Act relating

1 to unorganized boroughs, establishing unorganized boroughs, establishing a
2 program of financial assistance for the preparation of regional plans by
3 unorganized boroughs, permitting adoption of home rule charters by un-
4 organized boroughs, and directing submission of recommendations concerning
5 adjustment of the boundaries of service areas of the unorganized borough; and
6 providing for an effective date", becomes law.

7 * Sec. 7. Sections 1 and 3 of this Act take effect July 1, 1981.

8 * Sec. 8. Sections 2 and 4 of this Act take effect July 1, 1982.

9 * Sec. 9. Sections 5 and 6 of this Act take effect immediately in accor-
10 dance with AS 01.10.070(c).

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