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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 2d CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 12 (Finance)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the Alaska Railroad; and providing
7 for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. ALASKA RAILROAD COMMISSION. (a) There is established in
10 the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities the Alaska Railroad
11 Commission.

12 (b) The Alaska Railroad Commission consists of five members: the
13 commissioner of transportation and public facilities or his designee and
14 four members appointed by the governor who represent railroad user groups.
15 A member of the commission shall be a resident and qualified voter of the
16 state and shall comply with the requirements of AS 39.50 (conflict of inter-
17 est) relating to membership on state boards and commissions. Members of the
18 commission serve without compensation but are entitled to travel and per
19 diem authorized by law for members of boards and commissions.

20 (c) The Alaska Railroad Commission shall represent the state in all
21 discussions with the federal government concerning

22 (1) the transfer of the Alaska Railroad to nonfederal ownership;
23 (2) additional rail service to areas of the state not served by
24 the Alaska Railroad.

25 (d) The Alaska Railroad Commission shall represent the state in all
26 discussions with federal, provincial, and territorial governments of Canada
27 concerning the connection of the Alaska Railroad to a transcontinental rail
28 system.

29 (e) The Alaska Railroad Commission shall report its findings and

1 recommendations resulting from its discussions under (c) and (d) of this
2 section to the governor and the legislature as soon as possible. If the
3 legislature is not in session at the time the report of the commission is
4 ready for submission, the commission shall report to each member of the
5 legislature.

6 (f) The finance committee and the transportation committee of each
7 house of the legislature shall oversee the on-going work of the Alaska
8 Railroad Commission.

9 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-
10 070(c).

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