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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 2d CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 12 (Financa)(efd failed)

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."

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

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

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

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

21 (1) the transfer of the Alaska Railroad to nonfederal ownership;

22 (2) additional rail service to areas of the state not served by
23 the Alaska Railroad.

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

28 (e) The Alaska Railroad Commission shall report its findings and
29 recommendations resulting from its discussions under (c) and (d) of this

1 section to the governor and the legislature as soon as possible. If the
2 legislature is not in session at the time the report of the commission is
3 ready for submission, the commission shall report to each member of the
4 legislature.

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

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