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Referred: Transportation and
Finance

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY FANNING

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 519

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing the Alaska Railroad Negotiating
7 Commission; and providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. ALASKA RAILROAD NEGOTIATING COMMISSION. (a) There is
10 established in the Department of Commerce and Economic Development the
11 Alaska Railroad Negotiating Commission.

12 (b) The Alaska Railroad Negotiating Commission consists of the follow-
13 ing members: the commissioner of transportation and public facilities or
14 his designee and four public members appointed by the governor who represent
15 petroleum, mining, agricultural, tourism industries, regional corporations,
16 or other railroad user groups. The four members of the public are subject
17 to confirmation by a majority of the members of the legislature in joint
18 session. A member of the commission must be a resident and qualified voter
19 of the state and shall comply with the requirements of AS 39.50 (conflict of
20 interest) relating to members of state boards and commissions. Members of
21 the commission serve without compensation but are entitled to per diem and
22 travel expenses authorized by law for boards and commissions.

23 (c) The Alaska Railroad Negotiating Commission shall initiate discus-
24 sions with the federal government concerning the transfer of ownership of
25 the Alaska Railroad to the state or to private enterprise. The commission
26 shall report its findings and recommendations concerning the transfer of
27 ownership to the legislature as soon as possible.

28 (d) The Alaska Railroad Negotiating Commission shall continue until
29 the ownership of the Alaska Railroad is transferred from the federal govern-

1 ment or until it appears to the commission that the ownership will not be
2 transferred.

3 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-
4 070(c).

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