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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY
REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 602

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 relocation of the capital."

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

8 * Section 1. Within 15 days after the effective date of this Act, the
9 governor shall select a certified public accountant from Anchorage and a
10 certified public accountant from Fairbanks who together shall select a third
11 certified public accountant, subject to the approval of the governor, and
12 the three so selected shall jointly update the March 1978 report of the New
13 Capital Site Planning Commission with respect to the total costs of relocat-
14 ing the capital from Juneau to Willow.

15 * Sec. 2. (a) In updating the report of the commission, the three cer-
16 tified public accountants shall

17 (1) consult with available members and former members of the com-
18 mission to familiarize themselves with the work of the commission;

19 (2) examine and revise any assumptions made by the commission or
20 contained in AS 44.06.230 which are shown by substantial evidence to be er-
21 roneous; and

22 (3) use the average annual rate of growth in numbers of central
23 state positions and the average annual rate of inflation for construction
24 costs and for other costs for the preceding 10 years, taking into account
25 any unusual changes in the rates caused by special circumstances which are
26 not likely to be recurring. Meetings of the three certified public accoun-
27 tants are subject to AS 44.62.310 - 44.62.312.

28 (b) The three certified public accountants shall neither overstate nor
29 understate the costs, but rather shall make the most realistic estimates

1 possible with the evidence available to them.

2 * Sec. 3. On August 16, 1982, the three certified public accountants
3 shall make a public report of the total updated costs to be paid for relo-
4 cating the capital from Juneau to Willow.

5 * Sec. 4. The director of elections, using the total cost of relocating
6 the capital as updated under sec. 2 of this Act by the three certified pub-
7 lic accountants, shall place the following proposition on the ballot at the
8 November 1982 general election:

9 I approve the expenditure of \$_____ (total costs)
10 to create a new capital at Willow South to which a major-
11 ity of the state's central employees will be relocated.

12 YES _____

13 NO _____