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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 649 (Transportation) am

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an act entitled: "An Act relating to regions in the Department of Trans-
7 portation and Public Facilities; prescribing the duties
8 of regional transportation and public facilities direc-
9 tors."

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

11 * Section 1. AS 44.42.040 is amended to read:

12 Sec. 44.42.040. REGIONAL [DEPARTMENTAL] ORGANIZATION OF DEPARTMENT

13 (a) The commissioner shall establish five regions within the state
14 in accordance with (b) of this section. The functions of the department
15 within each region shall be performed, to the maximum extent feasible,
16 through a regional office. Each regional office shall be directed by a
17 regional transportation and public facilities director appointed by the
18 commissioner. Each regional transportation and public facilities direc-
19 tor shall have at least six years experience in transportation construc-
20 tion or engineering.

21 * Sec. 2. AS 44.42.040 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

22 (b) The five regions are:

23 (1) Region one begins in Bristol Bay on latitude 58°00'N and
24 travels east along that line to longitude line 158°00'W; then north
25 along longitude line 158°00'W to the mouth of Kvichak Bay; then travels
26 northeasterly along the southern bank of the Kvichak River to Iliamna
27 Lake; then northeasterly along the southern shore of Iliamna Lake to
28 longitude line 154°00'W, and travels north along longitude line 154°00'W
29 to latitude 63°00'N; then east along latitude line 63°00'N to a point

1 common with the boundaries of regional districts two and five; southerly
2 of the Denali Highway at Corkscrew Creek (Milepost 59.1); then south-
3 westerly to the junction of the Glenn Highway and the Fishhook-Willow
4 Road (approximately one mile northeast of Palmer); then southeasterly to
5 Prince William Sound at Fairmount Point 60°53'45"N, 147°27'W and in-
6 clusive of Kodiak, Afognak, Barren, Trinity, Chirikof, and Pribilof
7 Islands.

8 (2) Region two begins at and includes the point at which the
9 Alaska Highway intersects the Alaska-Yukon border; travels northwesterly
10 to the west abutment of the Little Tok River Bridge on Tok Cutoff Highway
11 (Milepost 91.2); then west to the northerly abutment of the McCallum
12 Creek Bridge on the Richardson Highway (Milestone 202.4); then west to a
13 point directly north of the Denali Highway at Corkscrew Creek (Milepost
14 59.1); and continuing along that line to latitude 63°00'N; then west
15 along latitude 63°00'N to longitude 154°00'W; thence north along longi-
16 tude 154°00'W; to the Arctic Ocean.

17 (3) Region three begins in the Gulf of Alaska on longitude
18 line 141°00'W; then north along longitude 141°00'W to Boundary Point
19 187; then southeasterly along the Canadian-United States border bounding
20 Southeastern Alaska in its entirety.

21 (4) Region four begins in the Arctic Ocean at Smith Bay
22 70°54'N, 154°19'W; on longitude line 154°00'W; travels south along
23 longitude 154°00'W to a point where longitude line 154°00'W crosses the
24 southern shore of Iliamna Lake; then southwesterly along the southern
25 shore of Iliamna Lake to the Kvichak River; then southwesterly along the
26 southern bank of the Kvichak River to Kvichak Bay; then south along
27 longitude line 158°00'W to latitude line 58°00'N, then west along that
28 line into Bristol Bay, and inclusive of St. Matthew, St. Lawrence, and
29 Nunivak Islands.

1 (5) Region five begins at the Gulf of Alaska on longitude
2 line 141°00'W and travels northerly along that line to the point (but
3 not including the point) at which the Alaska Highway intersects the
4 Alaska-Yukon border; then northwesterly to the west abutment of the
5 Little Tok River Bridge on the Tok Cutoff Highway (Milepost 91.2); then
6 west to the northerly abutment of McCallum Creek Bridge on the Richardson
7 Highway (Milepost 202.4); then west to the point directly north of
8 Denali Highway at Corkscrew Creek (Milepost 59.1); then southwesterly to
9 the junction of the Glenn Highway and the Fishhook-Willow Road (approx-
10 imately one mile northeast of Palmer); then southeasterly to Prince
11 William Sound at Fairmount Point 60°53'45"N, 147°27'W.

12 * Sec. 3. AS 44.42 is amended by adding a new section to read:

13 Sec. 44.42.045. DUTIES OF REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC
14 FACILITIES DIRECTORS. (a) Each regional transportation and public
15 facilities director is responsible for planning, design, and construc-
16 tion within his region consistent with the state transportation plan
17 established under AS 44.42.050 and the state public facilities plan
18 established under AS 44.42.055.

19 (b) Each regional transportation and public facilities director
20 shall submit to the commissioner proposed program plans, agency budget
21 requests, and reports of program performance at a time directed by the
22 director of the division of budget and management, Office of the Gover-
23 nor. The commissioner may comment on the program and financial plans
24 submitted by a regional transportation and public facilities director
25 under AS 37.07 but shall forward the program and financial plans sub-
26 mitted by a regional transportation and public facilities director to
27 the division of budget and management without change.

28 (c) Each regional transportation and public facilities director
29 shall submit to the commissioner a plan implementing the state transpor-

1 tation plan and the state public facilities plan 90 days before the end
2 of a fiscal year for implementation in the succeeding fiscal year. A
3 revision of the plan implementing either the state transportation plan
4 or the state public facilities plan may be submitted at any time. A
5 regional implementation plan or a revision of a regional implementation
6 plan is final unless disapproved by the commissioner within 30 days of
7 its receipt by the commissioner.

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