

Original sponsor: Rogers

Offered: 4/5/82
Referred: Rules

1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 670 (State Affairs)
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act requiring that meetings of the board of
7 directors of an electric or telephone cooperative and
8 records of an electric or telephone cooperative be open
9 to members of the cooperative."

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

11 * Section 1. AS 10.25 is amended by adding new sections to read:

12 Sec. 10.25.175. BOARD MEETINGS OPEN TO MEMBERS. (a) A meeting of
13 the board of directors may be attended by members of the cooperative.
14 Except when voice votes are authorized, a vote shall be conducted in
15 such a manner that the members may know the vote of each person entitled
16 to vote.

17 (b) If excepted subjects are to be discussed at a meeting, the
18 meeting must first be convened as a regular meeting and the question of
19 holding an executive session to discuss matters that come within the
20 exceptions contained within (c) of this section shall be determined by a
21 majority vote of the board. No subjects may be considered at the execu-
22 tive session except those mentioned in the motion calling for the
23 executive session unless auxiliary to the main question. No action may
24 be taken at the executive session.

25 (c) The following excepted subjects may be discussed in an execu-
26 tive session:

27 (1) matters the immediate knowledge of which would clearly
28 have an adverse effect on the finances of the cooperative;

29 (2) subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and charac-

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ter of a person; however, the person may request a public discussion;

(d) Reasonable notice shall be given for all meetings required to be open under this section.

(e) Copies of meeting minutes shall be made available to members upon request.

(f) Action taken contrary to this section is void.

Sec. 10.25.177. MEMBER'S RIGHT TO EXAMINE BOOKS AND RECORDS. A member of a cooperative may, in person or by attorney, at a reasonable time examine and make copies of the books and records of the cooperative, except the names and addresses of the members, at the principal office of the cooperative. The cooperative may charge a member an amount equal to the actual cost of duplicating documents requested under this section.