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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE BILL NO. 251

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 membership and responsibility  
7 of the Mental Health Fund Advisory Board; and providing  
8 for an effective date."

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

10 \* Section 1. AS 37.14.020(a) is amended to read:

11 (a) There is created in the Department of Revenue the Mental  
12 Health Fund Advisory Board. The board is composed of

13 (1) the director of the division of mental health, Depart-  
14 ment of Health and Social Services;

15 (2) the chairman of the Mental Health Advisory Council  
16 (AS 47.30.605); [, AND]

17 (3) the commissioner of the Department of Revenue; and

18 (4) two public members appointed by the governor, each of  
19 whom shall be familiar with alcohol and drug abuse programs.

20 \* Sec. 2. AS 37.14.020 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

21 (c) A public member appointed by the governor shall serve a  
22 three-year term. A public member shall be appointed by the governor on  
23 the basis of familiarity with programs of assistance to alcoholics and  
24 drug abusers, and on the basis of the willingness of the person to  
25 serve as a member of the Mental Health Fund Advisory Board.

26 \* Sec. 3. AS 37.14.040 is amended to read:

27 Sec. 37.14.040. FUND UTILIZATION. The principal of the fund  
28 established in AS 37.14.010 shall be retained in that fund for invest-  
29 ment as specified in AS 37.14.170. The income of the fund may not be

1 appropriated for a purpose other than the support of

2 (1) the state mental health program (AS 47.30.010 - 47.30.-  
3 340); and

4 (2) state programs for alcoholism and drug abuse.

5 \* Sec. 4. TERMS OF OFFICE OF FIRST PUBLIC MEMBERS OF MENTAL HEALTH FUND  
6 ADVISORY BOARD. Of the two public members first appointed to serve as  
7 members of the Mental Health Fund Advisory Board under AS 37.14.020(a),  
8 added by sec. 1 of this Act, one shall serve a term of two years and one  
9 shall serve a term of three years. The governor shall specify the length of  
10 the term at the time he makes the appointment of each public member.

11 \* Sec. 5. This Act takes effect July 1, 1981.  
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