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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 654

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to Alaska Foreign Offices; and
7 providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 44.33.020(26) as enacted by Executive Order No. 57 is
10 amended to read:

11 (26) administer the Alaska Foreign Offices [OFFICE] estab-
12 lished by AS 44.33.530.

13 * Sec. 2. AS 44.33.530 as enacted by Executive Order No. 57 is repealed
14 and reenacted to read:

15 Sec. 44.33.530. ALASKA FOREIGN OFFICES ESTABLISHED. There are
16 established in the Department of Commerce and Economic Development two
17 Alaska Foreign Offices. The offices are to be located in Tokyo,
18 Japan, and Seoul, Republic of Korea. The offices shall serve as
19 outlets for information related to economic development, resources,
20 and trade, and as contact points for government and private industry
21 of Alaska and the Pacific Rim nations of Asia to promote and maintain
22 trade between the state and those countries.

23 * Sec. 3. AS 44.33.535 as enacted by Executive Order No. 57 is repealed
24 and reenacted to read:

25 Sec. 44.33.535. PERSONNEL. The commissioner of commerce and
26 economic development shall staff the offices with persons the commis-
27 sioner selects based on their experience, training and linguistic
28 ability. The commissioner shall solicit ideas from the legislature
29 regarding desirable staff qualifications and its recommendations of

1 persons to staff the offices. The commissioner may hire additional
2 personnel as necessary.

3 * Sec. 4. AS 44.33.540 as enacted by Executive Order No. 57 is repealed
4 and reenacted to read:

5 Sec. 44.33.540. INFORMATION. The governor, at the request of
6 the commissioner of commerce and economic development, shall direct
7 all state agencies and request the federal government and private
8 industry to provide the foreign offices with necessary reports, bro-
9 chures, and information requested by the staffs of the foreign of-
10 fices.

11 * Sec. 5. AS 44.33.545 as enacted by Executive Order No. 57 is repealed
12 and reenacted to read:

13 Sec. 44.33.545. ANNUAL REPORT. The commissioner of commerce and
14 economic development shall report annually to the legislature on the
15 activities and accomplishments of the offices.

16 * Sec. 6. AS 44.33.550 as enacted by Executive Order No. 57 is repealed
17 and reenacted to read:

18 Sec. 44.33.550. EXPENSES. The expenses of operating the offices
19 shall be included in appropriations made to the Department of Commerce
20 and Economic Development.

21 * Sec. 7. This Act takes effect July 4, 1984