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HOUSE BILL NO. 687

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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 providing for a task force on fire prevention
7 and control; and providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. TASK FORCE ON FIRE PREVENTION AND CONTROL. The Alaska
10 Task Force on Fire Prevention and Control is established in the Office of
11 the Governor.

12 * Sec. 2. MEMBERSHIP. The task force consists of seven members ap-
13 pointed by the governor, without regard to political affiliation, to be
14 selected as follows:

15 (1) one person who is a member of both the Alaska State
16 Firefighters Association and the Alaska Fire Chiefs Association from a list
17 of nominees provided by the associations;

18 (2) the state fire marshal;

19 (3) the supervisor of the fire service training program in the
20 Department of Education;

21 (4) a representative from the emergency medical services ad-
22 visory council from a list of nominees submitted by the council;

23 (5) a representative of the division of local government assis-
24 tance in the Department of Community and Regional Affairs;

25 (6) a representative of the division of labor standards and
26 safety in the Department of Labor; and

27 (7) a representative from the Office of the Governor who shall
28 serve as chairman of the task force.

29 * Sec. 3. OBJECTIVES. The objectives of the task force are to complete

1 the work of the former Alaska Task Force on Fire Prevention and Control
2 established in sec. 1, ch. 157, SLA 1980, including to

3 (1) identify and provide a detailed account of the fire loss
4 problem in the state, including causal factors;

5 (2) identify and define the present roles and relationships of
6 the agencies in the state that are involved in fire protection activities
7 at the local, regional, state, and federal levels;

8 (3) recommend organizational or operational modifications to
9 improve the effectiveness of the state's fire protection system;

10 (4) provide documentation that will assist all government
11 agencies and fire fighting services in effectively meeting their fire
12 protection responsibilities.

13 * Sec. 4. MEETINGS AND HEARINGS. The task force shall meet at the call
14 of the chairman. Public hearings and meetings may be held in areas of the
15 state that are representative of its urban and rural fire protection prob-
16 lems.

17 * Sec. 5. COMPENSATION. The members of the task force serve without
18 compensation but are entitled to per diem and travel expenses authorized
19 for boards and commissions under AS 39.20.180.

20 * Sec. 6. DUTIES. The task force shall

21 (1) request and review information concerning the causes and
22 nature of fire losses in the state;

23 (2) study the activities of the various fire protection agencies
24 in the state;

25 (3) submit to the governor and the legislature its final report
26 making recommendations to improve fire prevention and control in the state,
27 identifying methods to implement the recommendations and to review the
28 progress of the implementation, and proposing legislation for
29 recommendations needing legislative action.

1 * Sec. 7. This Act is repealed 120 days after the effective date of
2 this Act.

3 * Sec. 8. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.-
4 10.070(c).