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1 IN THE SENATE BY THE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 531 (State Affairs)
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION
5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing the Commission on Alaska's
7 Future."

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

9 * Section 1. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE. The purpose of the Commission on
10 Alaska's Future is to assist in the development of goals, policy options,
11 and recommendations to help guide state government into the second quarter
12 of the state's first century. The commission is to consider topics perti-
13 nent to the state's future in the context of the next 25 years so that
14 vital decisions may be made by state officials with an understanding of how
15 the consequences might affect the future of the state.

16 * Sec. 2. AS 44 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

17 CHAPTER 89. COMMISSION ON ALASKA'S FUTURE.

18 Sec. 44.89.010. CREATION OF COMMISSION. The Commission on
19 Alaska's Future is established in the Office of the Governor to exam-
20 ine present conditions and the future outlook for the state and to
21 make recommendations for the state's future to the governor, the
22 legislature, and the public.

23 Sec. 44.89.020. MEMBERS, OFFICERS, AND TERMS. (a) The commis-
24 sion consists of 25 members. The president of the senate shall ap-
25 point three members from members of the senate; the speaker of the
26 house of representatives shall appoint three members from members of
27 the house of representatives; and the governor, in consultation with
28 the president of the senate and the speaker of the house shall appoint
29 19 members.

1 (b) Members appointed by the governor shall be outstanding
2 residents of the state who, because of their experience in the state,
3 have the ability to make a significant contribution to the commission.
4 The governor shall consider the economic, cultural, and geographic
5 diversity of the state in making appointments. The governor may
6 appoint state officials to membership on the commission.

7 (c) The governor shall appoint a chair and a vice-chair from the
8 membership of the commission.

9 (d) A member appointed by the speaker of the house or the presi-
10 dent of the senate shall serve for that member's legislative term of
11 office. A member appointed by the governor shall serve for the dura-
12 tion of the commission. A vacancy in the membership of the commission
13 shall be filled by appointment by the official who made the initial
14 appointment.

15 (e) Members of the commission serve without compensation, but
16 are entitled to per diem and travel expenses authorized for boards and
17 commissions under AS 39.20.180.

18 Sec. 44.89.030. POWERS AND DUTIES. (a) The commission shall
19 examine the effect on the state's future of a number of major topics
20 selected by the commission, including but not limited to, Pacific Rim
21 trade, natural resource development, state fiscal policies, social
22 issues, education, infra-structure development, and service delivery.
23 The commission shall

- 24 (1) develop goals and policy options;
25 (2) analyze policy choices and assess the costs and conse-
26 quences of alternative choices;
27 (3) seek the opinion of the public throughout the state;
28 and
29 (4) make recommendations to the governor and the

1 legislature by December 1 of each year.

2 (b) The commission may hold hearings, establish advisory commit-
3 tees, and obtain the assistance of experts from inside and outside the
4 state.

5 Sec. 44.89.040. STAFF. (a) The Office of the Governor shall
6 provide staff to the commission.

7 (b) Agencies of the state shall provide the commission with
8 information requested by it.

9 Sec. 44.89.050. CONVENING THE COMMISSION. The commission may
10 not meet until a call to convene has been issued by the governor. The
11 call shall state the place and time for convening the commission.

12 * Sec. 3. This Act is repealed June 30, 1988.