

Introduced: 2/17/86
Referred: Labor & Commerce
and Finance

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY TAYLOR

2

HOUSE BILL NO. 665

3

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4

FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5

A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to regulation of cable television
7 service; and providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 42.05.141(a) is amended to read:

10 (a) The Alaska Public Utilities Commission may

11 (1) regulate every public utility engaged or proposing to
12 engage in such a business inside the state, except to the extent
13 exempted by AS 42.05.711, and the powers of the commission shall be
14 liberally construed to accomplish its stated purposes;

15 (2) investigate, upon complaint or upon its own motion,
16 the rates, classifications, rules, regulations, practices, services
17 and facilities of a public utility and hold hearings on them;

18 (3) make or require just, fair and reasonable rates,
19 classifications, regulations, practices, services, and facilities for
20 a public utility;

21 (4) prescribe the system of accounts and regulate the
22 service and safety of operations of a public utility;

23 (5) require a public utility to file reports and other
24 information and data;

25 (6) appear personally or by counsel and represent the
26 interests and welfare of the state in all matters and proceedings
27 involving a public utility pending before an officer, department,
28 board, commission or court of the state or of another state or the
29 United States and to intervene in, protest, resist, or advocate the

1 granting, denial or modification of any petition, application, com-
2 plaint or other proceeding;

3 (7) examine witnesses and offer evidence in any proceeding
4 affecting the state and initiate or participate in judicial proceed-
5 ings to the extent necessary to protect and promote the interests of
6 the state;

7 (8) regulate, to the extent allowed under 47 U.S.C. 521 -
8 559 (Cable Communications Policy Act), the rates, classifications,
9 rules, regulations, practices, services and facilities of a public
10 utility that provides cable television service.

11 * Sec. 2. AS 42.05.711(k) is repealed.

12 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.-
13 10.070(c).