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1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
2 SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 349 (State Affairs)  
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
4 FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the membership on the board of  
7 directors of the Alaska Railroad Corporation; and  
8 providing for an effective date."

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

10 \* Section 1. AS 42.40.020(a) is amended to read:

11 (a) The powers of the corporation are vested in the board of  
12 directors. The board consists of the commissioner of commerce and  
13 economic development, the commissioner of transportation and public  
14 facilities, and seven [FIVE] members appointed by the governor. The  
15 seven [FIVE] appointed members must be registered voters in the state  
16 except as provided in (1) and (2) of this subsection. Except for the  
17 commissioners and the member appointed under (5) of this subsection  
18 [SECTION], a member may not be a state officer or employee. Appointed  
19 members shall have the following qualifications:

20 (1) one member of the board shall be a person who has at  
21 least 10 years of experience in railroad management; a person who is  
22 not a resident of the state may be appointed under this paragraph;

23 (2) one member of the board shall be or have been an execu-  
24 tive official of a United States railroad and shall be selected in  
25 accordance with any requirements imposed under 49 U.S.C. (Interstate  
26 Commerce Act); a person who is not a resident of the state may be  
27 appointed under this paragraph;

28 (3) at least one member shall be from each judicial dis-  
29 trict directly served by the Alaska Railroad;

1           (4) one member shall have at least five years of experience  
2 as an owner or manager of a business in the state;

3           (5) one member shall be an employee who is a member of a  
4 bargaining unit representing employees of the corporation;

5           (6) one member shall be a resident of the Matanuska-Susitna  
6 Borough;

7           (7) one member shall be a resident of Fairbanks;

8           (8) one member shall be a resident of a community between  
9 Summit Station and Dunbar Station on the railroad;

10          (9) one member shall be a resident of Seward;

11          (10) one member shall be a resident of Anchorage.

12       \* Sec. 2. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Act the  
13 governor shall appoint two members to the board of directors of the Alaska  
14 Railroad Corporation under AS 42.40.020(a) amended by sec. 1 of this Act.  
15 Notwithstanding the additional requirements for members of the board added  
16 under AS 42.40.020(a)(6) - (10) by sec. 1 of this Act, members of the board  
17 on the effective date of this Act continue in office until their terms  
18 expire.

19       \* Sec. 3. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).