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1 IN THE SENATE BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE  
2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 81 (Resources)  
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
4 FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION  
5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the Alaska Power Authority; and  
7 providing for an effective date."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 39.25.110(11) is amended to read:

10 (11) the officers and employees of the following boards,  
11 commissions, and authorities:

- 12 (A) Alaska Gas Pipeline Financing Authority;
- 13 (B) Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation;
- 14 (C) Alaska Energy Center;
- 15 (D) Alaska Industrial Development Authority;
- 16 (E) Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission;
- 17 (F) Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education;
- 18 (G) Alaska Power Authority;

19 \* Sec. 2. AS 44.83.030 is repealed and reenacted to read:

20 Sec. 44.83.030. MEMBERSHIP OF THE AUTHORITY. The board of  
21 directors of the authority consists of seven members. The commis-  
22 sioner of commerce and economic development, the commissioner of  
23 revenue, and the director of the office of management and budget or  
24 the director's designee serve as directors of the authority. In  
25 addition, the governor shall appoint one director from the banking  
26 industry, one director who is a consumer representative, one director  
27 from business and industry, and one director who is experienced in the  
28 electrical utility industry. Directors appointed by the governor  
29 serve at the pleasure of the governor for staggered terms of six years

1 and are subject to confirmation by a majority of the members of the  
2 legislature in joint session.

3 \* Sec. 3. AS 44.83.045(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) The [PUBLIC] directors appointed by the governor must  
5 [SHALL] be residents and qualified voters of Alaska and shall comply  
6 with the requirements of AS 39.50 (conflict of interest [INTERESTS]).  
7 [THE PUBLIC DIRECTORS SHALL SERVE OVERLAPPING FOUR-YEAR TERMS.]

8 \* Sec. 4. AS 44.83.045(c) is amended to read:

9 (c) The authority shall employ an executive director who may,  
10 with the approval of the authority, employ additional staff as neces-  
11 sary. In addition to its staff of regular employees, the authority  
12 may contract for and engage the services of legal and bond counsel,  
13 consultants, experts, and financial and technical advisors the author-  
14 ity considers necessary for the purpose of conducting studies, inves-  
15 tigations, hearings, or other proceedings. The board of directors  
16 shall establish the compensation of the executive director. The  
17 executive director and staff of the authority are in the exempt ser-  
18 vice under AS 39.25.110 [IS SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF AS 39.25.-  
19 010 - 39.25.220].

20 \* Sec. 5. Notwithstanding the amendments to AS 44.83.030 made by sec. 2  
21 of this Act, the public directors of the authority on the day before the  
22 effective date of this Act shall continue to serve until their terms ex-  
23 pire. On the effective date of this Act, the governor shall replace the  
24 three commissioners in accordance with AS 44.83.030, as amended by sec. 2  
25 of this Act.

26 \* Sec. 6. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).