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1 IN THE HOUSE

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HOUSE BILL NO. 193

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to vacancies on and reallocation of
7 elective board seats in areas of the unorganized
8 borough."

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

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* Section 1. AS 14.08.041(d) is amended to read:

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(d) Subject to (f) of this section, a regional school board mem-
12 ber shall be elected at large by the qualified voters of the communi-
13 ties receiving educational services in the entire regional educational
14 attendance area. However, each seat on the regional school board
15 shall be designated by letter or number, and when the declaration of
16 candidacy or other nomination papers of a candidate for the regional
17 school board are filed those papers must indicate the seat that the
18 candidate seeks. A newly elected board member takes office at the
19 first regional school board meeting after certification of the elec-
20 tion. If no candidate files for election to a seat on the regional
21 school board, the seat is considered vacant at the time a newly elect-
22 ed member would have taken office.

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* Sec. 2. AS 14.08.051(c) is amended to read:

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(c) If a regional educational attendance area has been divided
25 into sections, the commissioner shall recast the boundaries of the
26 sections within 90 days following the official reporting of the decen-
27 nial federal census in accordance with (a) of this section. If the
28 census is five years old or older and other reliable population data
29 establishes that board members do not represent equal numbers of

1 people under the allocation of seats to a multi-member section under
2 (d) of this section, the commissioner may reallocate the seats among
3 the sections if reallocation will achieve equal representation. Real-
4 location of seats takes effect at the next regular board election
5 after the reallocation.

6 * Sec. 3. AS 46.40.140(e) is amended to read:

7 (e) The lieutenant governor shall provide for the election of
8 the members of coastal resource service area boards. The first elec-
9 tion of board members shall occur at the same time as the [NOT LESS
10 THAN 60 NOR MORE THAN 90 DAYS AFTER CERTIFICATION OF THE RESULTS OF
11 AN] organization election under AS 46.40.130(b) [IN WHICH A MAJORITY
12 OF VOTES CAST FAVORS ORGANIZATION OF THE COASTAL RESOURCE SERVICE
13 AREA].

14 * Sec. 4. AS 46.40.140(f) is amended to read:

15 (f) Except for the first election of members of coastal resource
16 service area boards, elections shall be held annually on the date of
17 election of members of regional educational attendance area boards
18 under AS 14.08.071(b). For an election under this subsection or under
19 (e) of this section, a newly elected board member takes office at the
20 first coastal resource service area board meeting after certification
21 of the election. If no candidate files for election to a seat on the
22 coastal resource service area board, the seat is considered vacant at
23 the time a newly elected member would have taken office.

24 * Sec. 5. AS 46.40.140(g) is amended to read:

25 (g) A vacancy on a coastal resource service area board shall be
26 filled by appointment as provided in AS 14.08.041(e) AS [14.08.041(a)]
27 for vacancies in the membership of regional educational attendance
28 area boards.