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1 IN THE HOUSE

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HOUSE BILL NO. 377

3

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to limiting the number of state
7 employees."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 39.05 is amended by adding new sections to read:

10 ARTICLE 2. LIMIT ON NUMBER OF STATE EMPLOYEES.

11 Sec. 39.05.210. LIMIT ON NUMBER OF STATE EMPLOYEES. (a) Except
12 as provided in (b) of this section, the total number of state em-
13 ployees in the legislative, executive, or judicial branch of state
14 government, and of the noninstructional employees of the University of
15 Alaska may not be increased in a fiscal year by a greater percentage
16 than the rate of the population change for the state. The total
17 number of instructional employees of the University of Alaska may not
18 be increased in a fiscal year by a greater percentage than the rate of
19 the change in full-time degree credit hours for which university
20 students are enrolled.

21 (b) The total number of instructional employees and employees
22 who administer the system of public schools who are employed by the
23 Department of Education may not be increased in a fiscal year by a
24 greater percentage than the rate of the change in the average daily
25 membership for October in the state.

26 (c) If the rate of change in population, university credit hour
27 enrollment, or average daily membership results in a negative number,
28 each branch of state government shall reduce the number of state
29 employees within that branch accordingly no later than six months

1 after the release of the report.

2 (d) In computing the rate of population change for the state,
3 the Department of Labor shall average the rate of population change,
4 as determined by the annual estimates of population in the state made
5 by the United States Census Bureau, in each of the preceding 10 fiscal
6 years. The Department of Labor shall issue a report of the average
7 population change rate in the state to the governor and the legisla-
8 ture by the 10th day of the legislative session.

9 (e) In computing the rate of change in full-time degree credit
10 hours, the Board of Regents shall average the rate of change in credit
11 hours for which students were enrolled in each of the preceding 10
12 fiscal years. The Board of Regents shall issue a report of the aver-
13 age rate of change in credit hours to the governor and the legislature
14 by the 10th day of the legislative session. The Department of Educa-
15 tion shall average the rate of change in the average daily membership
16 computed under AS 14.17.080 or, if a count is not available under that
17 statute, then by a comparable means, for the preceding 10 fiscal
18 years. The department shall issue a report of the rate of change to
19 the governor and the legislature by the 10th day of the legislative
20 session.

21 (f) The change in the number of state employees in each branch
22 of state government shall be determined by comparison with the number
23 authorized for that branch in fiscal year 1982. In determining the
24 number of authorized state employees, the Department of Administration
25 shall make the determination for the executive branch, the Legislative
26 Affairs Agency shall make the determination for the legislative
27 branch, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall make the deter-
28 mination for the judicial branch, and the Board of Regents shall make
29 the determination for the University of Alaska. The total number of

1 state employees authorized in fiscal year 1982 was 14,036.

2 (g) In this section,

3 (1) "branch of state government" includes the executive
4 branch, the legislative branch, the judicial branch, and the Univer-
5 sity of Alaska;

6 (2) "state employee" includes persons employed by a branch
7 of state government and persons under personal services contract with
8 a branch of state government.