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1 IN THE SENATE BY THE RULES COMMITTEE  
2 HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 8 (Rules)  
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION  
5 A BILL  
6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the Alaska Women's Commission;  
7 extending the termination date of the Interim Women's  
8 Commission; and providing for an effective date."  
9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:  
10 \* Section 1. AS 44.19.167(a) is amended to read:  
11 (a) The members shall be appointed on a nonpartisan and nondis-  
12 criminatory basis by the governor [WITHIN 60 DAYS OF OCTOBER 6, 1978].  
13 The members shall be residents of the state. At least one member  
14 shall be a homemaker who is not otherwise employed. In making the ap-  
15 pointments, the governor shall give due consideration [SHALL BE GIVEN]  
16 to  
17 (1) the recommendations made by civic organizations, wom-  
18 en's organizations, educational and vocational groups, employer  
19 groups, labor unions, church groups, homemakers' clubs and organiza-  
20 tions, and other groups having an interest in the welfare and status  
21 of women;  
22 (2) statewide geographical representation of the commis-  
23 sion; [AND]  
24 (3) minority and low-income representation;  
25 (4) representation of senior citizens, persons with dis-  
26 abilities, and persons from a variety of occupational categories; and  
27 (5) representation of persons with different marital sta-  
28 tuses and persons with various numbers of children.  
29 \* Sec. 2. AS 44.19.168 is amended to read:

1           Sec. 44.19.168. MEETINGS. [WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE APPOINTMENT  
2           OF ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION, THE GOVERNOR SHALL CALL THE  
3           FIRST MEETING OF THE COMMISSION.] A majority of the members consti-  
4           tutes a quorum for conducting business and exercising the powers of  
5           the commission. The commission shall meet at the call of the chair-  
6           person, at the request of a majority of the members, or at a regularly  
7           scheduled time as determined by a majority of the members.

8           \* Sec. 3. AS 44.19.169 is amended to read:

9           Sec. 44.19.169. TERMS OF OFFICE. The term of office of each  
10          member is three [FIVE] years. Terms shall be staggered. [INITIAL  
11          TERMS SHALL BE THREE MEMBERS SERVING FOR ONE YEAR, THREE MEMBERS  
12          SERVING FOR THREE YEARS, AND THREE MEMBERS SERVING FOR FIVE YEARS.] A  
13          vacancy shall be filled for the balance of the unexpired term in the  
14          same manner as original appointments.

15          \* Sec. 4. AS 44.19.171 is amended to read:

16          Sec. 44.19.171. PURPOSE. The purpose of the commission is to  
17          [IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE PRELIMINARY STUDY ON  
18          THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN ALASKA WHICH WAS MANDATED BY THE NINTH LEGISLA-  
19          TURE, SECOND SESSION, UNDER CH. 99 SLA 1976, AND] improve the status  
20          of women in the state [ALASKA] by conducting [FURTHER] research, by  
21          servng as a referral service for information and education that will  
22          help women avail themselves of existing resources to meet their needs,  
23          and by making and implementing [ADDITIONAL] recommendations on the  
24          opportunities, needs, problems, and contributions of women in the  
25          state [ALASKA] including, but not limited to,

- 26                   (1) education; [.]  
27                   (2) homemaking; [.]  
28                   (3) civil and legal rights; and [.]  
29                   (4) labor and employment.

1 \* Sec. 5. AS 44.19.171 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

2 (b) When conducting research, acting as a referral service,  
3 serving as a forum for ideas, and developing recommendations related  
4 to the welfare of women, the commission shall solicit and consider  
5 information and views from a variety of constituencies in order to  
6 represent the broad spectrum of diversity that exists with respect to  
7 possible approaches for meeting women's needs in the state.

8 \* Sec. 6. AS 44.66.010(a)(12) is amended to read:

9 (12) Alaska Women's Commission -- June 30, 1993 [1987];

10 \* Sec. 7. EXTENSION OF INTERIM COMMISSION. The termination date of the  
11 Interim Women's Commission established by the governor under Administrative  
12 Order No. 110 is extended to June 30, 1989.

13 \* Sec. 8. TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS. (a) The members of the Alaska  
14 Women's Commission appointed by the governor to serve terms of office  
15 beginning on July 1, 1989, shall serve initial terms under AS 39.05.055(7),  
16 as determined by the governor.

17 (b) The Alaska Women's Commission reestablished by this Act is a  
18 continuation of the Interim Women's Commission except as otherwise specif-  
19 ically addressed by this Act.

20 \* Sec. 9. Section 7 of this Act is retroactive to the date of adjourn-  
21 ment of the First Regular Session of the Sixteenth Alaska State Legisla-  
22 ture.

23 \* Sec. 10. Sections 7 and 9 of this Act take effect immediately under  
24 AS 01.10.070(c).

25 \* Sec. 11. Except for secs. 7 and 9 of this Act, this Act takes effect  
26 July 1, 1989.