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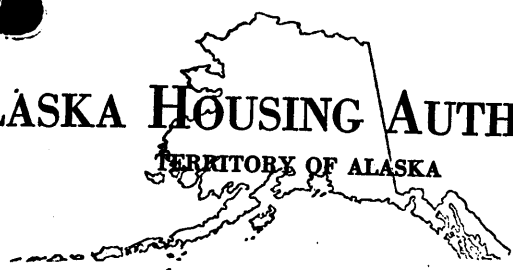
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ALASKA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
JUNEAU, ALASKA

Dear Mr. Camerot:

During my recent visit to Juneau we held a discussion regarding the investigation of the Alaska Legislative Council into the possibility of combining certain functions of the Territorial Government, with particular regard to (1) whether or not integration of several agencies could be accomplished and (2) whether or not a Board of Commissioners is necessary to the operation of the particular agency involved. My reply, of course, concerns the Alaska Housing Authority. Following my return to Anchorage this matter was considered and the following facts are presented for your information.

The Alaska Housing Authority is legally constituted in the form of a public corporation as distinguished from an agency. The enabling legislation was first provided by the U. S. Congress under 48 USCA, Section 481. This Act was passed in July, 1941. Section 482 provides that the legislature may "provide for the appointment and terms of the Commissioners of such Authorities and for the powers of such Authorities." The 1945 Alaska Legislature created the Alaska Housing Authority and the Acts of the Legislature are found in 40-7-1 through 40-7-21, ACLA 1949. This action was ratified and confirmed by the U. S. Congress in July of 1950 insofar as they were not consistent with the subject matter of 48 USCA, Section 481-483b. On the basis of the foregoing, it is probable that any effort to combine the functions of the Alaska Housing Authority with a Territorial agency would have to be approved by Congress.

In addition to the foregoing, numerous administrative problems would arise including the question of the obligations of the Alaska Housing Authority to the Housing and Home Finance Administrator. For instance, Title 48, USCA, Section 484b authorizes the Alaska Housing Authority to issue and have outstanding notes or obligations in an amount not to

ALASKA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
Box 2199  
Juneau, Alaska

May 22, 1957

MEMORANDUM TO ALL TERRITORIAL OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES AND PERSONS INTERESTED IN APPEARING AND PRESENTING THEIR VIEWS AT A PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD BY THE ALASKA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON JULY 18, 1957, AT JUNEAU, RELATIVE TO TWO COUNCIL STUDIES ON THE TERRITORIAL GOVERNMENT.

I. GENERAL

The Twenty-third Session of the Territorial Legislature directed the Legislative Council to conduct several studies, two of which relate to the Territorial Government.

House Joint Resolution No. 6 pertaining to reorganization of government, reads in substance as follows:

"Relating to governmental reorganization:

WHEREAS, the government of the Territory of Alaska is encumbered with a multitude of semi-independent departments, boards, commissions, councils, committees, offices, and other agencies, approximating seventy in number, many of which should be abolished; and

WHEREAS, the present governmental administrative structure results in conflicting and overlapping jurisdiction and a lack of proper coordination between governmental units, thereby causing inefficiency, additional expense and poorer services to the people of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Twenty-third Legislature believes it to be in the best interests of the Territory that a sweeping reorganization of the administrative branch of the government be made; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of Alaska, as ratified by the people, sets forth a framework for the executive branch of government;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in Twenty-Third Session assembled, that the Legislative Council be, and is hereby directed to study and propose a plan for the reorganization of the administrative branch of the Territorial government and to prepare necessary legislation for introduction into the Twenty-fourth Territorial Legislature or the First State Legislature, whichever next convenes."

Senate Resolution No. 8 which relates to Territorial employees directs the Council to undertake a study described in these terms:

"NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Territory of Alaska, in Twenty-Third Session assembled, that the

TERRITORY OF ALASKA  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
JUNEAU

March 24, 1953

President of the Senate  
Twenty-First Territorial Legislature  
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Mr. President:

I am returning unsigned, to the House, and therefore vetoed, HOUSE BILL NO. 130, relating to the creation of a Legislative Examination and Investigation Committee.

This measure, if approved, would violate Section 11 of the Organic Act to which the Attorney General referred in an opinion submitted on March 27, 1951 wherein he advised that House Bill 141, the Reorganization Act of the 20th Legislature was in conflict with Section 11 of the Organic Act which reads in part as follows:

"That no member of the Legislature shall hold or be appointed to any office which has been created, or the salary or emoluments of which have been increased, while he was a member, during the term for which he was elected and for one year after the expiration of such term; ...."

That injunction has direct application to Sections 1 and 2 of HOUSE BILL NO. 130 now under consideration. The Attorney General's opinion of 1951 added: "A preliminary search of the cases reveals that the preponderance of the decisions hold that in similar situations the members of the Legislature would be considered to be holding an office which they had created, and, therefore, said legislators would be ineligible to hold office."

Section 5 of the bill purports to avoid the term "salary" by compensating the Committee members with a "per diem not to exceed \$35.00 per day." The authorization by the Legislature of the payment of any per diem to its members other than during its regular or special sessions constitutes an increased emolument forbidden by Section 11 of the Organic Act, cited above.

Reference is again made to Section 1 of HOUSE BILL NO. 130 which reads in part: "The Members of the Committee shall consist of three members of the Territorial Senate and three members of the Territorial House of Representatives, who shall serve during their terms of office

July 30, 1958

Mr. Victor C. Fischer  
1601 "F" Street  
Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Vic:

This is to tardily acknowledge, with thanks, yours of the 15th transmitting the policy statement on state planning which I am pleased to return herewith by courier: Fitzgerald.

Henry and I both have read the statement and thought it excellent. We wanted copies for our files and took the liberty of having an extract made.

I understand you will be down here forthwith and I am looking forward to discussing the planning matter with you then and any other ideas you have developed in the meantime on reorganization. I understand also that Mr. Gebhart was to have dropped in the office this past week to discuss A. H. A. and reorganization but it appears that he was not able to make it.

Regards,

John C. Doyle  
Research Analyst

JCD/mw

Encl.

July 28, 1958

Jack A. White, President  
Anchorage Insurance Agents Association  
155 - 5th Avenue  
Anchorage, Alaska

and

Mr. William M. Lehman, President  
Alaska Life Underwriters Association  
214 Second Avenue  
Anchorage, Alaska

Gentlemen:

This is to acknowledge receipt of and express appreciation for your letter of June 6, 1958 which was read to the members of the Council at their June meeting. The Council has directed me to make a reply.

Your letter requested that careful consideration be given the several points listed therein before "including the Territorial Department of Insurance into the proposed Department of Commerce". Your comments appear to be based upon an understandable lack of information about a tentative proposal made in an unpublished preliminary memorandum which was not submitted to the Council until after your letter was written. I hope that the following comments on the "points" delineated in your letter will help in determining your position.

The tentative proposal was part of a preliminary memorandum relating to a study being made by the Legislative Council at the direction of the Legislature for the general reorganization of the administration of Alaska government, with the Alaska State Constitution as a guide, for presentation to the next Territorial or first State Legislature. Indications now are that the Public Administration Service, a private organization retained by the Alaska Statehood Committee, will presently determine the initial proposal for a possible State government organization. However, it is our hope that you may understand the reasoning underlying our approach, in reaching the following reply:

On the particular points in the order made;

*Government Reorganized*

July 28, 1958

Mr. Jack A. White, President  
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635 - 5th Avenue  
Anchorage, Alaska

and

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
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BOX 1631  
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ADDRESS REPLY TO  
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October 15, 1958

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Mr. Henry J. Camerot  
Executive Director  
Legislative Council  
Box 2199  
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Mr. Camerot:

Enclosed is the information you asked us to furnish you at  
our meeting on September 30.

If we can be of any further assistance to you, please feel  
free to call upon us.

Very truly yours,

P. D. HANSON  
Regional Forester

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SEND THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE, SUBJECT TO THE TERMS ON BACK HEREOF:

Patricia Oakes  
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 Dixon Apts., Fairbanks, Alaska

Reurtel. Have this date mailed memo reflecting coordinated studies.

Henry J. Camarot, Sn Dir, ALC  
 108 6th St.,  
 Juneau, Alaska

## MEMORANDUM

## TERRITORY OF ALASKA

FROM: Don M. Dafoe  
Commissioner of Education

DATE : July 18, 1958

TO : Mr. Henry Camarot  
Director of Legislative Council  
Alaska Office Building  
Juneau, Alaska

SUBJECT: Memorandum relative to the  
need for a board to adminis-  
ter Vocational Education.

At my request Howard prepared this memorandum relative to the Federal Law and Territorial Law in regard to Vocational Education. I am sure that you will find this information interesting in connection with your study of governmental reorganization.

It appears to us that it is clear that there must be a board in order that funds available under the Federal Vocational Act may be received and disbursed. Previous Legislation in Alaska required this action.

It is additionally true that a board is required for the acceptance and disbursement of funds under the Vocational Rehabilitation Acts.

In both cases the Territorial Board of Education serves as the necessary board.

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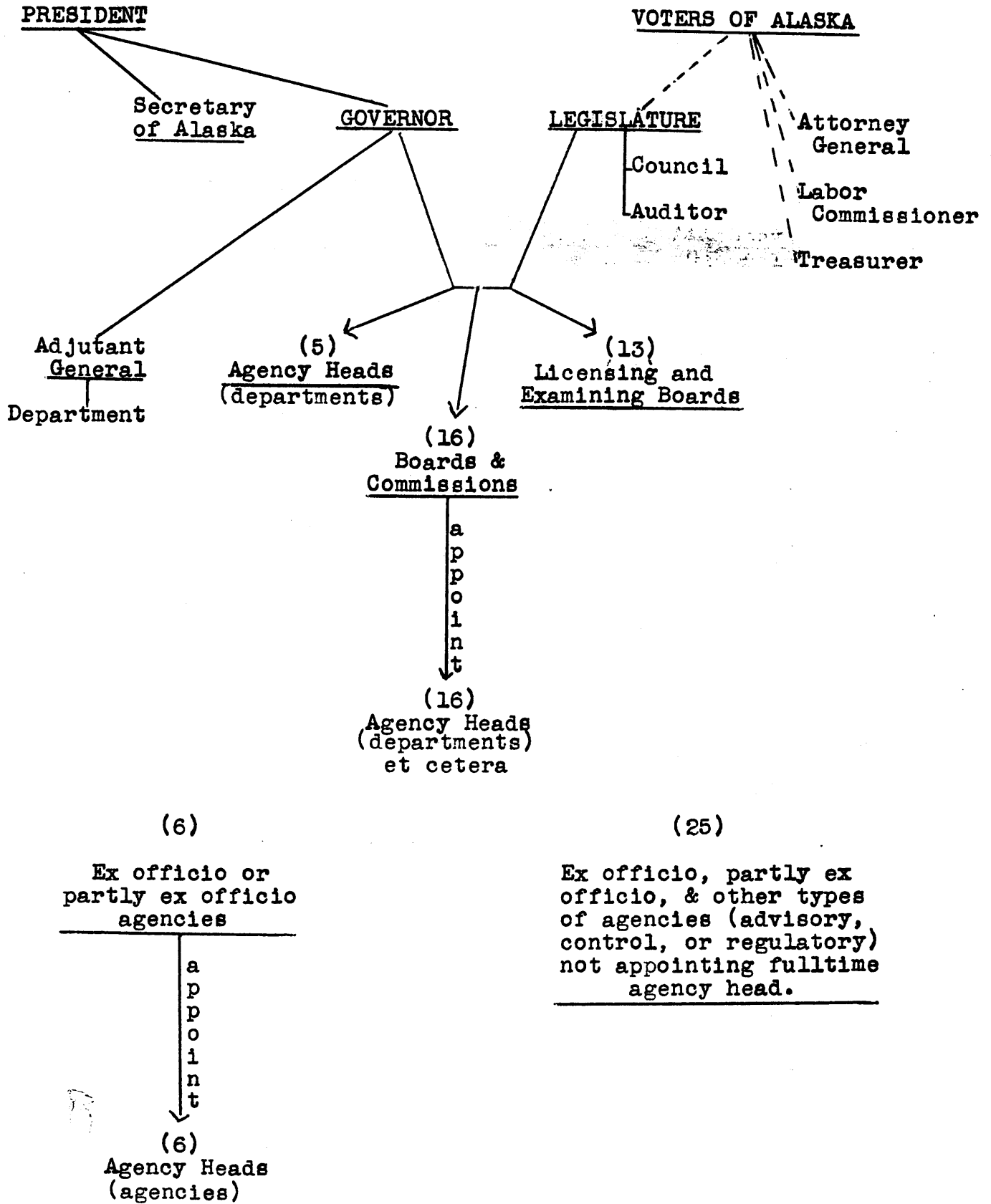
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transmitted to  
Tom Stewart*

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Enclosure: Memorandum

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ELECTION OR APPOINTMENT OF AGENCY HEADS ---



July 9, 1957

MEMORANDUM FROM: Insurance Commissioner - Territory of Alaska

TO: All Alaska Agents, Brokers and Companies Doing Business in Alaska.

Recently, I was quite shocked to discover the Director of the Legislative Council drafting proposed plans of government reorganization for discussion purposes, wherein he places the Insurance Department under another agency. Although this is for discussion only, the mere introduction for discussion can be detrimental; it would not work in the best interest of the insurance buying public and is not the thinking of an overwhelmingly number of states.

Even with all but a very few of the states having a separate Department of Insurance and those states having Insurance and Banking or Insurance and Corporations together, working toward separation of insurance because there is no overlapping authority or closely related operation, the Director of the Legislative Council will still introduce a plan whereby this Department will be under the Department of Commerce. Actually his present plan is as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
COMMISSIONER

Insurance  
Corporations  
Real Estate  
Administrator for Licensing Boards

This Department is definitely against being under the jurisdiction of an additional Commissioner, a person who will have little or no knowledge of insurance. The additional cost to the Territory for a Commerce Commissioner is unquestionably not in the best interest to the Territory.

For several years the agents of Alaska worked toward a separate Department of Insurance. Now that it is in existence and is beginning to function should it be allowed to again be placed under another Department, at no saving to the Territory, and again be in the position of inadequate assistance and protection to the Alaska public, agents and companies doing

## I N S U R A N C E

38 States - Separate Departments

3 Territories - Separate Departments

10 States - Combined

Virgin Islands - Govt of the V.I.

<u>State</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Agency</u>
Florida	Treasurer	Ins. Dept., Treas. Office
* Georgia	Deputy Ins. Com.	Comptrollers Gen. Office
Massachusetts	Commissioner Div. of Ins.	Dept. of Banking & Ins.
Missouri	Supt. Div. of Ins.	Dept. of Bus. & Admin.
Montana	Com. of Ins.	Auditor's Office
New Jersey	Commissioner	Dept. of Banking & Ins.
Rhode Island	Commissioner	Dept. of Bus. Regulation
Tennessee	Commissioner	Dept. of Ins. & Banking
Vermont	Commissioner	Dept. of Ins. & Banking
Virginia	Com. of Ins.	Corporation Commission

Note: Louisiana was just changed to separate Dept.

\* Georgia has the Comptroller who is called Insurance Commissioner

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BUYING PUBLIC ALSO FOR THE EFFICIENT DEVELOPMENT AND COLLECTION OF ALL  
INSURANCE TAXES DUE THE TERRITORY

J J CONWAY PRESIDENT ALASKA INSURANCE AGENTS ASSOCIATION

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TOM S BROWDER PRESIDENT

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July 16, 1957

PLEASE SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE  
VIA AIR MAIL

Director, Legislative Council  
Alaska Office Building  
Juneau, Alaska

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ALASKA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
JUNEAU, ALASKA

Dear Sir:

It has been brought to my attention that there is a possibility of the Alaska Insurance Department being placed under the Department of Commerce.

In the interest of all concerned, I wish to put forth my objections to such action.

It has been the work of many years to provide the Territory with a separate and efficient insurance department. To place this department under any other would, to my way of thinking, do much to undo the work that has been done. It does not seem possible that adequate protection to the assureds, companies and agents can be provided without the help of a department devoted to just that function.

The separation of the insurance department from unrelated departments has been proven in most of the states to be the most efficient and economical method of operating this important industry. I am sure that it would be harmful for the Territory to attempt any other action.

Yours very truly,



Rob't. Pfeifer

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# Olympic National Life

## Insurance Company

HOME OFFICE: OLYMPIC NATIONAL BUILDING  
SEATTLE 4, WASHINGTON

July 15, 1957

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ALASKA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
JUNEAU, ALASKA

Director, Legislative Council  
Alaska Office Building  
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Just recently I was informed that you were drafting plans, for government reorganization, for discussion purposes to place our present Insurance Department under the Department of Commerce.

I would like to make known my objections to this plan and my reasons for these objections.

First, the additional cost for a Commerce Commissioner is definitely not in the best interest of the Territory.

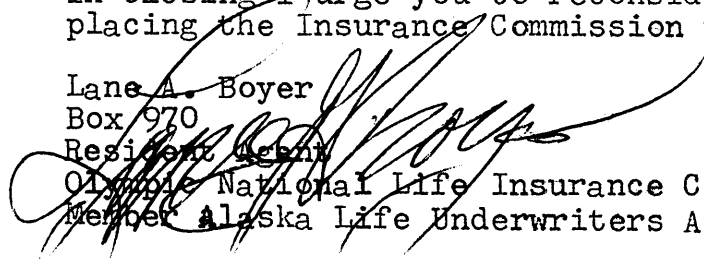
Secondly the agents of Alaska worked for many years to establish the present Insurance Department, providing adequate assistance and protection to the Alaska public, agents and companies doing business in the territory. This, I believe, should not be destroyed.

I believe you will find those few states that still have their Department of Insurance combined with another Department are working towards legislation to establish a separate Insurance Commission. I'm sure you will find within a few short years that all of the states will have separate Insurance Commissions.

Being formerly from the state of Washington and being well acquainted with the value of excellent protection provided by their fine Insurance Commission makes me believe that Alaska could do well to follow their many years of progress and experience.

In closing I urge you to reconsider and abolish the ideas of placing the Insurance Commission under another department.

Lane A. Boyer  
Box 970  
Resident Agent  
Olympic National Life Insurance Co.  
Member Alaska Life Underwriters Ass.



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NOTE GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION PROPOSAL INVOLVES INSURANCE DEPARTMENT  
BEING INCLUDED IN

DEPARTMENT COMMERCE DO NOT BELIEVE THIS IS IN BEST INTEREST OF INSURANCE  
INDUSTRY OR PUBLIC

HARRY GAYLEY INSURANCE

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TERRITORY OF ALASKA  
Department of Finance

FROM: Richard W. Freer  
Budget Officer

DATE: July 7, 1958

TO: All Territorial Departments, Agencies, Commissions etc.

SUBJECT: Revised Budget  
Procedures

Article IX, Section 12 of The Constitution of the State of Alaska, provides that "The governor shall submit to the legislature, at a time fixed by law, a budget for the next fiscal year setting forth all proposed expenditures and anticipated income of all departments, offices and agencies of the State."


In the expectation that Alaska will be proclaimed a state prior to the next legislative session and this provision become effective, agency budget requests will hereafter be on a fiscal year basis rather than on a biennial basis. The budget which you are presently preparing in accordance with our instructions of May 15, 1958, therefore, should be changed to cover the fiscal year July 1, 1959 to June 30, 1960, rather than the biennial period July 1, 1959 to June 30, 1961.

In completing budget forms TA-11, Program Revenue and Expenditure Statement; TA-14, Detail of Expenditures (Accounts 200, 300, 400, 500) and TA-14A, Detail of Expenditures (Accounts 600, 700, 800), the only changes required will be in the column showing the requests for the 1959-61 biennium, which should now be the request for the 1959-1960 fiscal year.

Form TA-13, Detail of Personal Services, should be used to show salaries on an annual basis rather than a biennial basis as instructed.

Program justifications should, of course, reflect the needs for the single fiscal year.

Budget requests are due in this office on or before September 1, 1958.

  
Richard Freer  
Budget Officer

# American Medical Association

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May 23, 1958

Mr. Henry J. Camarot,  
Executive Director  
Alaska Legislative Council  
Box 2199  
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Mr. Camarot:

I have your recent letter concerning the means taken by the several states to suspend or revoke the license of a doctor or dentist who is "suspected of being incompetent or incapacitated due to a medical ailment". Later you imply in your letter that you may have an interest in suspension or revocation because of medical incompetence or malpractice.

The medical practice acts of the several states and territories are set out in full in the American Medical Directory. A copy of the Directory should be available in the offices of the Alaska Territorial Medical Association in Anchorage. Possibly it may be found in the Juneau hospitals, or offices of some individual doctors or perhaps in insurance company offices in Juneau. This compilation should help you in a comparison of sections of the medical practice act of Alaska and other medical practice acts.

The medical practice acts provide for a revocation of license because of physical or mental disability of such nature as to make the physician's practice dangerous to patients or the public in Kentucky and Arizona. Adjudication of insanity is basis for revocation of license in Arizona, Colorado, California, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey and Oregon.

In Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Illinois, Massachusetts, Nevada, New Hampshire, South Dakota, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia and Wyoming gross negligence or malpractice is grounds for revocation of a license. In Washington instigating or encouraging the filing of malpractice suits is a ground for revocation of licenses.

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June 21, 1957

Mr. Henry J. Camarot  
Executive Director  
Alaska Legislative Council  
Box 2199  
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Mr. Camarot:

This will acknowledge receipt of yours of June 18, 1957 requesting a copy of the "New Jersey Reorganization of Government Agencies Act".

Unfortunately, there is no such single piece of legislation.

The reorganization of the State Government was begun in 1944 by the passages of series of separate statutes consolidating certain departments of the State Government.

In 1947 a new Constitution was adopted requiring the consolidation of the departments in the Executive Branch of the Government into not more than 20 principal departments, and thereafter in 1948 and 1949 a series of laws were enacted to accomplish this reorganization on a different plan than that begun in 1944.

These laws are scattered through our statutes and they have never been collected in one compilation as the Reorganization Acts.

In many instances powers imposed in previously existing boards, bodies or departments were transferred to the new departments by reference to the old statutes merely and consequently it is like solving a chinese puzzle to trace the powers and duties back to their source or to the new official in whom they are vested.

We have had in mind a project to revise these departmental acts in such manner as to make them easily understandable, but the protraction of legislative sessions and pressure of other work has prevented us from undertaking this task so far.

# THE COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS

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Dear Mr. Camerot:

Herb Wiltsee has asked me to send you some information about the procedures that have been followed in some of the states which undertook to consolidate administrative agencies. I believe that you are particularly interested in the situation in which a state is required to limit the number of separate administrative agencies. This is the case of course in New York, Missouri and New Jersey.

In the New York Constitution, the limitation is spelled out in terms of specifically named agencies. No new agencies can be formed except by constitutional amendment. In New Jersey, the language is quite similar to that in the Alaskan Constitution. Both of these limit the number of independent agencies to twenty. The Missouri Constitutional provision is a combination of the technique used in New York and that used in New Jersey. A certain number of agencies are named specifically, and only five additional agencies can be created. Of course what actually happens in all three states is that a more or less continual process of reorganization takes place within the framework required by the constitutional provisions.

In New York, a State Commission on the Coordination of State Activities takes one segment of state government after the other, studies it, and makes recommendations for coordination within the existing departmental structure. In Missouri and New Jersey, certain adjustments were required immediately after the adoption of the constitutions to meet the requirements of the sections limiting the number of agencies. Unfortunately we do not have available any reports indicating the procedure that was followed in Missouri immediately after the adoption of the Constitution. However, we believe that you will be able to get information by writing to Martin L. Faust, Head, Department of Political Science, University of Missouri, Columbia. Professor Faust has been active throughout the studies leading up to the adoption of the Constitution and state government reorganization since that time.

We are sending you, under separate cover, a copy of the recent report of the State Reorganization Commission of Missouri. This report presents recommendations for further adjustments in the administrative structure of the state and may be of interest in showing the continuing adjustments that are necessary.