

laws of the state, notwithstanding the provisions of Public Law 508, 85th Congress; or (b) the President of the United States, by executive order, terminates the jurisdiction of the District Court of the District of Alaska; and thereafter the supreme and superior courts of the state assume exclusive state jurisdiction, the presiding judges of the superior court shall forthwith appoint the necessary magistrates for the district magistrate courts as provided herein and in any event shall so appoint such necessary magistrates prior to January 3, 1962. If the events described in the preceding sentence take place the Supreme Court is hereby empowered to establish, modify or discontinue recording districts or precincts; to prescribe the records to be maintained and the instruments to be

recorded and the accounting for recording fees; to engage and compensate recorders, deputy recorders and clerks, to require magistrates to act as recorders where, and to the extent, necessary; to prescribe recording fees and to do all things necessary to maintain the recording system existing on the effective date hereof, until the Legislature otherwise provides by law.

Sec. 27. Severability. The fact that any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Act is declared invalid for any reason shall not affect the remaining portion of this Act.

Sec. 28. Effective Date. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval or upon its becoming law without such approval.

Approved May 5, 1959

CHAPTER 185

AN ACT

Relating to the powers of the Local Boundary Commission; providing for an effective date.

(C.S.H.B. 94)

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:

Section 1. Commission Defined. The Local Boundary Commission created by the State Organization Act of 1959 is the commission referred to in this Act.

Sec. 2. Powers. The commission may consider any local government boundary or any proposed local government boundary change and exercise such other powers as may be prescribed by law. It shall present proposed local government boundary or local government boundary changes to the legislature during the first ten days of any regular session. The boundary or boundary change as recommended shall become effective forty-five days after presentation to the legislature or at the end of the legislative session, whichever is earlier, unless disapproved by a resolution concurred in by a majority of the members of each house of the

legislature. Cities shall have such powers regarding boundaries as conferred on them by general law. The commission may recommend to the legislature the procedures whereby a local government boundary may be adjusted by local action.

Sec. 3. Meetings: Quorum. The commission shall meet at such times and such places as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act. A majority of the full membership of the commission shall constitute a quorum to transact business; provided, that it shall take an affirmative vote of the majority of the membership to carry all decisions or proposals.

Sec. 4. Effective Date. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval or upon its becoming law without such approval.

Approved May 6, 1959