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AN ACT

Creating an Advisory Board on Drug Abuse; and providing for an effective date.

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

* Section 1. AS 44.29 is amended by adding new sections to read:

ARTICLE 3. ADVISORY BOARD ON DRUG ABUSE.

Sec. 44.29.100. ADVISORY BOARD ON DRUG ABUSE. There is established in the Department of Health and Social Services an advisory board on drug abuse.

Sec. 44.29.110. COMPOSITION. The advisory board on drug abuse shall consist of 12 members, broadly representative of all drug-related fields, who are known for their experience or interest in drug abuse, who shall be appointed by the governor.

Sec. 44.29.130. TERM OF OFFICE. (a) Members of the advisory board on drug abuse shall be appointed for overlapping terms of three years.

(b) Of the 12 initial appointees four shall be appointed for one-year terms, four for two-year terms, and four for three-year terms.

(c) Subsequent terms for all board members are three years.

(d) A vacancy occurring in the membership of the board shall be filled by appointment of the governor for the unexpired portion of the vacated term.

(e) Board members serve at the pleasure of the governor.

(f) The governor shall replace any members who by poor attendance or lack of contribution to the board's work demonstrate their ineffectiveness as board members.

Sec. 44.29.140. COMPENSATION, PER DIEM, AND EXPENSES. Members of the advisory board on drug abuse are not entitled to a salary, but are entitled to per diem, reimbursement for travel and other expenses authorized by law for other boards.

Sec. 44.29.150. DUTIES. The board shall act in an advisory capacity to the commissioner of health and social services in the following matters:

(1) special problems affecting mental health which drug abuse or addiction may present;

(2) educational research and public informational activities conducted by the Department of Health and Social Services and others in respect to the problems presented by drug abuse;

(3) social problems which affect rehabilitation of drug users and addicts;

(4) legal processes which affect the treatment and rehabilitation of drug users and addicts;

(5) development of programs of prevention, treatment and rehabilitation for drug abusers and addicts;

(6) review of applications and subsequent recommendations to the commissioner of health and social services on use of funds for grants for local drug abuse projects and programs;

(7) evaluation of effectiveness of drug abuse programs in the state.

Sec. 44.29.160. DRUG ABUSE PROGRAM COORDINATOR. The drug abuse program coordinator shall carry out the development and implementation of a comprehensive program to prevent and treat the use and abuse of drugs as they affect the people in Alaska. The comprehensive program may include educational activities, research, grants for treatment centers, or any other activities considered effective for prevention or treatment. The drug abuse coordinator is appointed by the governor.

* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without approval.