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AN ACT

Relating to regional Native housing and electrical authorities.

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

* Section 1. AS 18.55.996(a) is amended to read:

(a) The following associations are given the authority specified in (b) of this section:

- (1) Arctic Slope Native Association (Barrow and Point Hope)
- (2) Bering Straits Association (Seward Peninsula, Unalakleet, St. Lawrence Island)
- (3) Northwest Alaska Native Association (Kotzebue)
- (4) Association of Village Council Presidents (southwest coast of Alaska including all villages in the Bethel area and all villages on the Lower Yukon River and Lower Kuskokwim River)
- (5) Tanana Chiefs Conference (Koyukuk, the middle and upper Yukon River villages and the upper Kuskokwim and Tanana River villages)
- (6) Cook Inlet Association (Kenai, Tyonek, Eklutna and Iliamna)
- (7) Bristol Bay Native Association (Dillingham, Upper Alaska Peninsula)
- (8) Aleut League (Aleutian Islands, Pribilof Islands and that part of the Alaska Peninsula which is in the Aleut League)

(9) North Pacific Rim Native Corp. (Cordova, Tatitlek, Port Graham, English Bay, Valdez, Seward, Eyak and Chenega)

(10) Tlingit-Haida Central Council or Alaska Native Brotherhood (Southeastern Alaska including Metlakatla)

(11) Kodiak Area Native Association (all villages on and around Kodiak Island)

(12) Copper River Native Association (Copper Center, Glennallen, Chitina and Mentasta)

(13) Alaska Federation of Natives, Inc.

* Sec. 2. AS 18.57.010 is amended to read:

Sec. 18.57.010. FINDING AND PURPOSE. The legislature finds that an acute shortage of adequate, safe, reliable electrical facilities exists in the rural areas of the state and that adequate electrical systems cannot be provided by the private sector due to inadequate projected system revenues and economic depression in certain areas or by local governments of the state since the boundaries required for boroughs under art. X, sec. 3, of the Alaska constitution and the boundaries of cities necessary to effectively operate as cities would, in many cases, not be adequate to provide economic, adequate, safe and reliable electrical service. The legislature further finds that adequate housing, public facilities and economic development are heavily dependent upon adequate, safe and reliable electrical facilities. These conditions are inimical to the safety, health, welfare and prosperity of the residents of the state and to the sound growth of rural communities. The legislature further finds that a reasonable means of accomplishing the purpose of providing adequate, safe and reliable systems is the creation of regional electrical authorities which are not local governments. It is the purpose and intent of the legislature to provide a means whereby public corporations to serve as regional electrical authorities may be formed.