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AN ACT

Repealing the Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities; creating the State Vocational Rehabilitation Committee and relating to the committee; and providing for an effective date.

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

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5 * **Section 1.** AS 23.15.220 is amended to read:

6 **Sec. 23.15.220. Purpose.** The purpose of AS 23.15.220 - 23.15.320 is to create
7 a **State Vocational Rehabilitation Committee** [GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE ON
8 EMPLOYMENT OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES] for Alaska to carry on a
9 continuing program to promote the employment of people of the state with disabilities
10 by creating statewide interest in the rehabilitation and employment of people with
11 disabilities, and by obtaining and maintaining cooperation with public and private
12 groups and individuals in this field.

13 * **Sec. 2.** AS 23.15.230 is amended to read:

14 **Sec. 23.15.230. Appointment of committee.** The **governor shall appoint the**

1 **members of the State Vocational Rehabilitation Committee** [GOVERNOR'S
2 COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF NOT MORE THAN 12 MEMBERS APPOINTED BY
3 THE GOVERNOR] for staggered terms not exceeding three years. **The composition**
4 **of the committee must be consistent with the requirements of 29 U.S.C. 725 and**
5 **3003, as amended** [THE COMMITTEE SHALL BE COMPOSED OF STATE
6 LEADERS OF INDUSTRY, BUSINESS, AGRICULTURE, LABOR, VETERANS,
7 WOMEN, RELIGIOUS, EDUCATIONAL, CIVIC, FRATERNAL, WELFARE,
8 SCIENTIFIC, MILITARY, MEDICAL, AND OTHER PROFESSIONS, OR AS
9 MANY OF THESE AND LIKE CATEGORIES AS MAY BE FEASIBLY
10 REPRESENTED]. A member may be reappointed, and a vacancy shall be filled by the
11 governor.

12 * **Sec. 3.** AS 23.15.240 is amended to read:

13 **Sec. 23.15.240. Selection** [APPOINTMENT] **and term of chair.** The
14 **members of the committee shall select a chair from among the voting members of**
15 **the committee, subject to disapproval by the governor. The chair serves**
16 [GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT A CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE WHO SERVES
17 AS CHAIR] for one year or until a successor is **selected** [APPOINTED].

18 * **Sec. 4.** AS 23.15.260 is amended to read:

19 **Sec. 23.15.260. Meetings.** The committee shall meet **four times a year**
20 [ANNUALLY], but, at the request of the governor, special meetings may be called.
21 **Meetings may be conducted telephonically.**

22 * **Sec. 5.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
23 read:

24 TRANSITION: MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE ON
25 EMPLOYMENT OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. A member of the Governor's
26 Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities on the day before the effective date of
27 this Act continues to serve as a member of the State Vocational Rehabilitation Committee,
28 created by AS 23.15.220, as amended by sec. 1 of this Act, if the Department of Labor and
29 Workforce Development finds that the member meets the eligibility requirements under
30 AS 23.15.230, as amended by sec. 2 of this Act. A member who continues service under this
31 section after the effective date of this Act

1 (1) serves until the member's term would have expired as a member of the
2 Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities; and

3 (2) may apply to the governor for reappointment to the State Vocational
4 Rehabilitation Committee after the member's term expires.

5 * **Sec. 6.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
6 read:

7 REVISOR'S INSTRUCTION. The revisor of statutes shall change the heading of art.
8 2 of AS 23.15 from "Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities" to
9 "State Vocational Rehabilitation Committee."

10 * **Sec. 7.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).