

SENATE BILL NO. 126

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Referred: Resources, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to a producer state energy symposium; and providing for an effective**
2 **date."**

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

4 * **Section 1.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section
5 to read:

6 **PRODUCER STATE ENERGY SYMPOSIUM.** (a) The Alaska Working Group on
7 Interstate Energy Production shall hold in this state, before October 1, 2011, a producer state
8 energy symposium. Subject to available funding, the group may incur expenses and enter into
9 contracts relating to the symposium. Notwithstanding other provisions of law, the group may
10 accept donations from individuals and government or private organizations for the
11 symposium. The group shall appoint one person representing the energy industry and one
12 person representing general business to serve with the group as a symposium steering
13 committee to plan the symposium, seek public and private funding for the symposium, and
14 arrange for participation at the symposium by

- 1 (1) legislators and executive branch officials of the producer states;
- 2 (2) experts from all key hydrocarbon industries;
- 3 (3) top experts in the fields of hydrocarbon development, environment, and
- 4 economics; and
- 5 (4) state or regional chambers of commerce and business organizations from
- 6 producer states.

7 (b) The symposium steering committee shall solicit peer-reviewed papers on
8 hydrocarbon development and use for presentation at the producer state energy symposium.
9 The symposium steering committee shall ensure the following topics are included for
10 consideration at the producer state energy symposium:

- 11 (1) fossil fuel development and use;
- 12 (2) carbon management and effects of carbon management on costs of energy
- 13 development and use;
- 14 (3) air quality in the context of energy development and use and costs
- 15 associated with air quality regulation;
- 16 (4) projected demands for and costs of domestic energy;
- 17 (5) strategies for producer states to work cooperatively to
 - 18 (A) analyze federal legislation and the effects of proposed federal
 - 19 legislation, regulations, and other actions on the production, distribution, or marketing
 - 20 of domestic hydrocarbons from producer states;
 - 21 (B) educate and lobby policy makers to shape federal legislation,
 - 22 regulations, and other actions that have the greatest effects on the economies of
 - 23 producer states;
 - 24 (C) work with congressional delegations from producer states to
 - 25 ensure proposed federal legislation, regulations, and other actions are vetted by
 - 26 producer states before introduction, passage, or implementation.

27 (c) The Alaska Working Group on Interstate Energy Production shall submit a report
28 on the producer state energy symposium to the legislatures, governors, and congressional
29 delegations of the participating producer states and to other participants in the symposium on
30 or before December 1, 2012.

31 (d) In this section, "producer state" means a state that produces and exports more

1 hydrocarbons than it uses and imports.

2 * **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect on the effective date of a version of HCR 9 that establishes in
3 the Alaska State Legislature the Alaska Working Group on Interstate Energy Production.