

HOUSE BILL NO. 158

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Introduced: 4/12/23

Referred: House Special Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the Joint Armed Services Committee; relating to judge advocates;**
2 **relating to military facility zones; and providing for an effective date."**

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 24.20.650(b) is amended to read:

5 (b) The committee is composed of

6 (1) five members of the senate, at least one of whom is a member of
7 the minority, appointed by the president of the senate;

8 (2) five members of the house of representatives, at least one of whom
9 is a member of the minority, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;

10 (3) a state resident, other than a member of the state legislature, who is
11 appointed jointly by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of
12 representatives after considering the recommendations of the Alaska chapters of each
13 of the following organizations:

14 (A) the Association of the United States Army;

(B) the Air **and Space Forces** [FORCE] Association;

(C) the Navy League of the United States;

(D) the Marine Corps Association;

(4) a state resident, other than a member of the state legislature, who is appointed jointly by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives after considering the recommendation of the Seventeenth Coast Guard District Auxiliary;

(5) a state resident, other than a member of the state legislature, who is appointed jointly by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives after considering the recommendation of the mayor of the Municipality of Anchorage;

(6) a state resident, other than a member of the state legislature, who is appointed jointly by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives after considering the recommendation of the mayor of the Fairbanks North Star Borough;

(7) a state resident, other than a member of the state legislature, who is appointed jointly by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives after considering the recommendation of the adjutant general of the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs; and

(8) a state resident, other than a member of the state legislature, who is appointed jointly by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives after considering the joint recommendations of the Alaska Federation of Natives and the Alaska Municipal League.

* **Sec. 2.** AS 26.05.385(d) is amended to read:

(d) A person may not serve as a judge advocate under the code of military justice unless the person is a commissioned officer of the organized militia of a state or of an active or reserve component of the armed forces or another uniformed service of the United States, is a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of a state, and is currently

(1) certified or designated as a judge advocate in the Judge Advocate General's Corps of the United States Army, Air Force, **Space Force**, Navy, or Marine

1 Corps or designated as a law specialist as an officer of the United States Coast Guard,
2 or a reserve component of one of them; or

3 (2) certified as a nonfederally recognized judge advocate, under the
4 code of military justice, by the senior judge advocate of the commander of the force in
5 the component of the militia of the state of which the accused is a member, as
6 competent to perform the military justice duties required by the code of military
7 justice; if a judge advocate is not available, the certification may be made by the
8 senior judge advocate of the commander of another force in the militia of the state, as
9 the convening authority directs.

10 * **Sec. 3.** AS 26.30.900(3) is amended to read:

11 (3) "facility" means a facility of

12 (A) an Alaska military or civilian agency serving a subdivision
13 of the Alaska National Guard, the United States Army, the United States Navy,
14 the United States Marine Corps, the United States Air Force, **the United**
15 **States Space Force**, or the United States Coast Guard, including reserve units
16 of those entities;

17 (B) the National Aeronautics and Space Administration; or

18 (C) a public corporation within the Department of Military and
19 Veterans' Affairs;

20 * **Sec. 4.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).