Fact Sheet for: Senate Bill 207

Short Title: AK AEROSPACE DEVEL. CORP BD MEMBERSHIP

Summary:
- Mandates that two of the state residents appointed to the Alaska Aerospace Development Corporation be residents of the borough where the launch activities of the corporation occur if qualified candidates are available.
- Allows existing members to retain their seat until the person's term expires.

Benefits:
- Gives residents of Kodiak representation on the AADC board of directors.

Background:
- Since the late 1990s, AADC has conducted numerous rocket launches, infrastructure construction projects and other activities at its Kodiak Launch Complex facility on Kodiak Island. These activities have had an enormous impact on local residents' recreational activities at nearby Pasagshak Beach, local government operations, and the Kodiak Island economy. With the Kodiak Launch Complex playing a key role in the testing of the nation's missile defense system, it makes sense for the island community to be well represented on the AADC board of directors.