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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STYLE AND DRAFTING

Constitutional Convention  
Elections and Apportionment  
January 30, 1956

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OF ALASKA

RESOLVED, that the following be agreed upon as part of the  
Alaska State Constitution:

ARTICLE ~~XV~~ XIV

APPORTIONMENT SCHEDULE

Election  
Districts

Section 1. Members of the house of representatives  
shall, until reapportionment, be elected from the elec-  
tion districts and in the numbers shown below:

<u>Number of District</u>	<u>Name of District</u>	<u>Number of Representatives</u>
1	Prince of Wales	1
2	Ketchikan	2
3	Wrangell-Petersburg	1
4	Sitka	2
5	Juneau	2
6	Lynn Canal-Icy Straits	1
7	Cordova-McCarthy	1
8	Valdez-Chitina-Whittier	1
9	Palmer-Wasilla-Talkeetna	1
10	Anchorage	8
11	Seward	1
12	Kenai-Cook Inlet	1
13	Kodiak	2
14	Aleutian Islands	1
15	Bristol Bay	1
16	Bethel	1
17	Kuskokwim	1
18	Yukon-Koyukuk	1
19	Fairbanks	5
20	Upper Yukon	1
21	Barrow	1
22	Kobuk	1
23	Nome	2
24	Wade Hampton	1

*Feb. 3, 1956 (see journal) Article XV became Art. XIV and vice versa.*

Senate  
Districts

Section 2. Members of the Senate shall be elected  
from the Senate districts and in the number shown below:

<u>Name of District</u>	<u>Composed of Election Districts</u>	<u>Number of Senators</u>
A. Southeastern	1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6	2
B. Ketchikan-Prince of Wales	1 and 2	1
C. Wrangell-Petersburg-Sitka	3 and 4	1
D. Juneau-Yakutat	5 and 6	1
E. Southcentral	7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 13 and 14	2
F. Cordova-Valdez	7 and 8	1
G. Anchorage-Palmer	9 and 10	1
H. Seward-Kenai	11 and 12	1
I. Kodiak-Aleutians	13 and 14	1
J. Central	15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20	2
K. Bristol Bay-Bethel	15 and 16	1
L. Yukon-Kuskokwim	17 and 18	1
M. Fairbanks-Fort Yukon	19 and 20	1
N. Northwestern	21, 22, 23 and 24	2
O. Barrow-Kobuk	21 and 22	1
P. Nome-Wade Hampton	23 and 24	1

Description  
of Election  
Districts

1 Section 3. The election districts set forth in  
Section 1 shall include the following territory:

1. Prince of Wales: All of Prince of Wales, Dall, Forrester, Suemez, Baker, Lulu, Noyes, Warren, Kosciusko and the Kashevarof Islands as well as adjacent off-shore islands.

2. Ketchikan: That area of the mainland drained by streams flowing into Revillagigedo Channel, Behm Canal, Burroughs Bay and east side of Clarence Strait from the southernmost point of the Alaska-British Columbia boundary line to and including Lemesurier Point, and those islands south of Ernest Sound and east of Clarence Strait including Revillagigedo, Gravina, Annette and Duke Islands and other adjacent smaller islands.

3. Wrangell-Petersburg: That area of the mainland north of Election District No. 2 and south of and including the area draining into Frederick Sound to Cape Fanshaw on the north and partly bounded on the north by a line drawn between Cape Fanshaw and the north side of Pybus Bay, that area of Admiralty Island drained by streams flowing into Frederick Sound, that area of Baranof Island drained by streams flowing into Chatham Strait to but not including that area drained by streams flowing into Peril Strait, and including Kupreanof, Mitkof, Kuiu and Coronation Islands and other smaller adjacent islands.

4. Sitka: Those parts of Admiralty, Chichagof, and Baranof Islands not included in Election Districts No. 3, 5 and 6 and Kruzof Island and other smaller adjacent islands.

5. Juneau: The mainland north of Election District No. 3 up to and including the area drained by streams flowing into Berners Bay on the north, and that area of Admiralty Island north of Election District No. 3 and drained by streams flowing into Stephens Passage, Seymour Canal, Lynn Canal and their tributaries and including Douglas, Shelter and Benjamin Islands, and other smaller adjacent islands.

6. Lynn Canal-Icy Straits: That part of the mainland not included in Election District No. 5 drained by streams flowing into Lynn Canal, Glacier Bay, Icy Strait, Cross Sound and their tributaries and the Pacific Ocean to and including the area drained into Icy Bay to the west, those parts of Admiralty and Chichagof Islands drained by streams flowing into Icy Strait, Cross Sound and their tributaries, and Yakobi, Lemesurier and Pleasant Islands and other smaller adjacent islands.

7. Cordova-McCarthy: That area draining into the Gulf of Alaska and Prince William Sound from but not including that area draining into the south side of Icy Bay on the east to Knowles Head on the west including Hawkins, Hinchinbrook, Kayak and Middleton Islands and other smaller adjacent islands, and that area drained by the Copper River and its tributaries up to and not including the Tielke River on the west; and up to and including the Chitina River on the east.

8. Valdez-Chitina-Whittier: That area drained by all streams flowing into Prince William Sound from Cape Junken on the west to Knowles Head on the east including Montague, Latouche, and Knight Islands and adjacent smaller islands and all of the area drained by the Copper River and its tributaries above and including the Tiekel River on the west, and above but not including the Chitina River on the east.

9. Palmer-Wasilla-Talkeetna: That area from and including Susitna on the south, drained by the Susitna River and its tributaries and that area drained by the Little Susitna River from and including Flat Lake on the south; and that area draining into Knik Arm from and including Fish Creek and its tributaries on the west side of Knik Arm to and including the area draining into the Knik River from the north and from the south to the highway bridge.

10. Anchorage: That area around Turnagain Arm and east of Knik Arm drained by streams flowing into Turnagain Arm and Knik Arm from and including Placer River on the south to and including the Knik River highway bridge on the north; that area east of Knik Arm and north of Cook Inlet drained by Goose Creek and its tributaries on the east and the Little Susitna River south of Flat Lake and the Susitna River south of but not including Susitna; the area west of Cook Inlet drained by Ivan, Lewis, Theodore Rivers and their tributaries to but not including Beluga River on the south.

11. Seward: That part of Kenai Peninsula draining into the Gulf of Alaska from Gore Point on the west to Cape Junken on

the east and the area draining into Turnagain Arm from and including the drainage of Resurrection Creek on the west to but not including Placer River on the east; and to and including the confluence of the Kenai and Russian Rivers on the west.

12. Kenai-Cook Inlet: That area of Kenai Peninsula drained by streams flowing into the Gulf of Alaska, Cook Inlet and Turnagain Arm, from and including the area drained into Port Dick on the south to Gore Point to but not including Resurrection Creek on the north and the area east of the confluence of the Kenai and Russian Rivers and that area west of Cook Inlet drained by all streams flowing into Cook Inlet from Cape Douglas on the south to and including the Beluga River, including Elizabeth Island and adjacent islands in Cook Inlet.

13. Kodiak: The part of the Alaska Peninsula drained by all streams flowing into the Pacific Ocean from Cape Douglas on the east to but not including Kujulik Bay on the west and all adjacent off-shore islands, including the Semidi Islands and Kodiak, Afognak, Trinity, Chirikof Islands, and other smaller islands in the immediate vicinity such as the Barren Islands and the Chugach Islands.

14. Aleutian Islands: The part of the Alaska Peninsula west of and including the drainage of Meshik River and Kujulik Bay and all of the Aleutian and Pribilof Islands and adjacent off-shore islands west of and excluding the Semidi Islands and Sutwik Island.

15. Bristol Bay: The area drained by all streams flowing into Bristol Bay from Cape Newenham on the west to but not including the Meshik River on the south.

16. Bethel: The area drained by all streams flowing into Baird Inlet, Etolin Strait and Kuskokwim Bay, that area drained by the Kuskokwim River and its tributaries up to and including the area drained by the Tuluksak River on the east bank of the Kuskokwim River and the area drained by tributaries up to the opposite point on the west bank of the Kuskokwim River and including Nunivak Island and Saint Matthew Island and adjacent islands.

17. Kuskokwim: The area drained by the Kuskokwim River and its tributaries above and not including the area drained by the Tuluksak River on the east bank and the area drained by tributaries above the opposite point on the west bank of the Kuskokwim River; and the area drained by the Yukon River from Tuckers Slough to but not including the area drained by the Khotol River.

18. Yukon-Koyukuk: The area drained by all streams and their tributaries flowing into the Yukon River from and including Khotol River on the west to and including Hess Creek on the east and that area drained by the Tanana River and its tributaries up to but not including Clear Creek on the east and that part of Goldstream Creek up to but not including Nugget Creek and Spinach Creek and that portion drained by the Chatanika River up to but not including Vault Creek.

19. Fairbanks: That area drained by the Tanana River and its tributaries from and including Clear Creek, near Blair Lakes, on the west to the Alaska-Canada boundary on the east, and also that area drained by Goldstream Creek and its tributaries up stream from and



and including Nugget Creek and Spinach Creek and that portion drained by the Chatanika River and its tributaries up stream from and including Vault Creek.

20. Upper Yukon: That area drained by the Yukon River and its tributaries from but not including Hess Creek on the west to the Alaska-Canada boundary and that area drained by streams flowing into the Arctic Ocean from but not including Kuparuk River on the west to the Alaska boundary.

21. Barrow: The area drained by all streams flowing into the Arctic Ocean from Cape Lisburne on the west to and including the . area drained by the Kuparuk River and its tributaries on the east.

22. Kobuk: The area drained by all streams flowing into the Arctic Ocean and Kotzebue Sound from Cape Lisburne on the north to and including the area drained by the Good Hope River and its tributaries on the south.

23. Nome: All of the Seward Peninsula and adjacent areas drained by all streams flowing into the Kotzebue Sound, Bering Strait and Norton Sound from but not including the area drained by the Good Hope River and its tributaries on the north to but not including the area drained by the Pastolik River on the south; and King, Little Diomed, Saint Lawrence, Sledge, Chamisso, and Stuart Islands, as well as adjacent offshore islands.

24. Wade Hampton: The area drained by the lower Yukon River and its tributaries from Tuckers Slough to the mouth of the Bering Sea, and the area drained by all streams flowing into the Bering Sea and Norton Sound from and including Hazen Bay on the south to and including the Pastolik River on the north.

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CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OF ALASKA

COMMITTEE PROPOSAL NO. 14

SCHEDULE

Election Districts

Election  
Districts

Section 1. Members of the house of representatives shall, <sup>until</sup> ~~upon~~ reapportionment, be elected from the election districts and in the numbers shown below:

<u>Number of District</u>	<u>Name of District</u>	<u>Number of Representatives</u>
1	Prince of Wales	1
2	Ketchikan	2
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9	Palmer-Wasilla-Talkeetna	1
10	Anchorage	8
11	Seward	1
12	Kenai-Cook Inlet	1
13	Kodiak	2
14	Aleutian Islands	1
15	Bristol Bay	1
16	Bethel	1
17	Kuskokwim	1
18	Yukon-Koyukuk	1
19	Fairbanks	5
20	Upper Yukon	1
21	Barrow	1
22	Kobuk	1
23	Nome	2
24	Wade Hampton	1

## DESCRIPTION OF ELECTION DISTRICTS

### No. 1 Prince of Wales Election District

This district includes all of Prince of Wales, Dall, Forrester, Suemez, Baker, Lulu, Noyes, Warren, Kosciusko and the Kashevarofs Islands as well as adjacent off-shore islands.

### No. 2 Ketchikan Election District

That area of the Mainland drained by streams flowing into Revillagigedo Channel, Behm Canal, Borroughs Bay and east side of Clarence Strait from the southernmost point of the Alaska-British Columbia boundary line to and including Lemesurier Point, and those islands south of Ernest Sound and east of Clarence Strait, including Revillagigedo, Gravina, Annette and Duke Islands and other adjacent smaller islands.

### No. 3 Wrangell-Petersburg Election District

That area of the Mainland north of Election District No. 2 and south of and including the area draining into Frederick Sound to Cape Fanshaw on the north and partly bounded on the north by a line drawn between Cape Fanshaw and the north side of Pybus Bay, that area of Admiralty Island drained by streams flowing into Frederick Sound, that area of Baranof Island drained by streams flowing into Chatham Strait to but not including that area drained by streams flowing into Peril Strait, and including Kupreanof, Mitkof, Kuiu and Coronation Islands and other smaller adjacent islands.

No. 4 Sitka Election District

Those parts of Admiralty, Chichagof, and Baranof Islands not included in Election Districts No. 3, 5 and 6 and Kruzof Island and other smaller adjacent islands.

No. 5 Juneau Election District

The Mainland north of Election District No. 3 up to and including the area drained by streams flowing into Berners Bay on the north, and that area of Admiralty Island north of Election District No. 3 and drained by streams flowing into Stephens Passage, Seymour Canal, Lynn Canal and their tributaries and including Douglas, Shelter and Benjamin Islands, and other smaller adjacent islands.

No. 6 Lynn Canal-Icy Straits Election District

That part of the Mainland not included in Election District No. 5 drained by streams flowing into Lynn Canal, Glacier Bay, Icy Strait, Cross Sound and their tributaries and the Pacific Ocean to and including the area drained into Icy Bay to the west, those parts of Admiralty and Chichagof Islands drained by streams flowing into Icy Strait, Cross Sound and their tributaries, and Yakobi, Lemesurier and Pleasant Islands and other smaller adjacent islands.

No. 7 Cordova-McCarthy Election District

That area draining into the Gulf of Alaska and Prince William Sound from but not including that area draining into the south side of Icy Bay on the east to Knowles Head on the west including Hawkins, Hinchinbrook, Kayak and Middleton Islands and other smaller adjacent

islands, and that area drained by the Copper River and its tributaries up to and not including the Tiekel River on the west; and up to and including the Chitina River on the east.

No. 8 Valdez-Chitina-Whittier Election District

That area drained by all streams flowing into Prince William Sound from Cape Junken on the west to Knowles Head on the east including Montague, Latouche, and Knight Islands and adjacent smaller islands and all of the area drained by the Copper River and its tributaries above and including the Tiekel River on the west, and above but not including the Chitina River on the east.

No. 9 Palmer-Wasilla-Talkeetna Election District

That area from and including Susitna on the South, drained by the Susitna River and its tributaries and that area drained by the Little Susitna River from and including Flat Lake on the south; and that area draining into Knik Arm from and including Fish Creek and its tributaries on the west side of Knik Arm to and including the area draining into the Knik River from the north and from the south to the highway bridge.

No. 10 Anchorage Election District

That area around Turnagain Arm and east of Knik Arm drained by streams flowing into Turnagain Arm and Knik Arm from and including Placer River on the south to and including the Knik River highway bridge on the north; that area east of Knik Arm and north of Cook Inlet drained by Goose Creek and its tributaries on the east and

the Little Susitna River south of Flat Lake and the Susitna River south of but not including Susitna; the area west of Cook Inlet drained by Ivan, Lewis, Theodore Rivers and their tributaries to but not including Beluga River on the south.

No. 11 Seward Election District

That part of Kenai Peninsula draining into the Gulf of Alaska from Gore Point on the west to Cape Junken on the east and the area draining into Turnagain Arm from and including the drainage of Resurrection Creek on the west to but not including Flacer River on the east; and to and including the confluence of the Kenai and Russian Rivers on the west.

No. 12 Kenai-Cook Inlet Election District

That area of Kenai Peninsula drained by streams flowing into the Gulf of Alaska, Cook Inlet and Turnagain Arm, from and including the area drained into Fort Dick on the south to Gore Point to but not including Resurrection Creek on the north and the area east of the confluence of the Kenai and Russian Rivers and that area west of Cook Inlet drained by all streams flowing into Cook Inlet from Cape Douglas on the south to and including the Beluga River, including Elizabeth Island and adjacent islands in Cook Inlet.

No. 13 Kodiak Election District

The part of the Alaska Peninsula drained by all streams flowing into the Pacific Ocean from Cape Douglas on the east to but

not including Kujulik Bay on the west and all adjacent off-shore islands, including the Semidi Islands and Kodiak, Afognak, Trinity, Chirikof Islands, and other smaller islands in the immediate vicinity such as the Barren Islands and the Chugach Islands.

No. 14 Aleutian Islands Election District

The part of the Alaska Peninsula west of and including the drainage of Meshik River and Kujulik Bay and all of the Aleutian and Pribilof Islands and adjacent off-shore islands west of and excluding the Semidi Islands and Sutwik Island.

No. 15 Bristol Bay Election District

The area drained by all streams flowing into Bristol Bay from Cape Newenham on the west to but not including the Meshik River on the south.

No. 16 Bethel Election District

The area drained by all streams flowing into Baird Inlet, Etolin Strait and Kuskokwim Bay, that area drained by the Kuskokwim River and its tributaries up to and including the area drained by the Tuluksak River on the east bank of the Kuskokwim River and the area drained by tributaries up to the opposite point on the west bank of the Kuskokwim River and including Nunivak Island and St. Mathews Island and adjacent islands.

No. 17 Kuskokwim Election District

The area drained by the Kuskokwim River and its tributaries

above and not including the area drained by the Tuluksak River on the east bank and the area drained by tributaries above the opposite point on the west bank of the Kuskokwim River; and the area drained by the Yukon River from Tuckers Slough to but not including the area drained by the Khotol River.

No. 18 Yukon-Koyukuk Election District

The area drained by all streams and their tributaries flowing into the Yukon River from and including Khotol River on the west to and including Hess Creek on the east and that area drained by the Tanana River and its tributaries up to but not including Clear Creek on the east and that part of Goldstream Creek up to but not including Nugget Creek and Spinach Creek and that portion drained by the Chatanika River up to but not including Vault Creek.

No. 19 Fairbanks Election District

That area drained by the Tanana River and its tributaries from and including Clear Creek, near Blair Lakes, on the west to the Alaska-Canada Boundary on the east, and also that area drained by Goldstream Creek and its tributaries up stream from and including Nugget Creek and Spinach Creek and that portion drained by the Chatanika River and its tributaries up stream from and including Vault Creek.

No. 20 Upper Yukon Election District

That area drained by the Yukon River and its tributaries from but not including Hess Creek on the west to the Alaska-Canada Boundary and that area drained by streams flowing into the Arctic Ocean from but not including Kuparuk River on the west to the Alaska Boundary.



No. 21 Barrow Election District

The area drained by all streams flowing into the Chukchi Sea and Arctic Ocean from Cape Lisburne on the west to and including the area drained by the Kuparuk River and its tributaries on the east.

No. 22 Kobuk Election District

The area drained by all streams flowing into the Arctic Ocean and Kotzebue Sound from Cape Lisburne on the north to and including the area drained by the Good Hope River and its tributaries on the south.

No. 23 Nome Election District

All of the Seward Peninsula and adjacent areas drained by all streams flowing into the Kotzebue Sound, Bering Strait and Norton Sound from but not including the area drained by the Good Hope River and its tributaries on the north to but not including the area drained by the Pastolik River on the south; and King, Little Diomede, St. Lawrence, Sledge, Chamisso, and Stuart Islands, as well as adjacent offshore islands.

No. 24 Wade Hampton Election District

The area drained by the lower Yukon River and its tributaries from Tuckers Slough to the mouth at the Bering Sea, and the area drained by all streams flowing into the Bering Sea and Norton Sound from and including Hazen Bay on the south to and including the Pastolik River on the north.

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Districts

Section 2. Members of the Senate shall be elected  
from the Senate districts and in the number shown below:

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E. Southcentral	7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 13 and 14	2
F. Cordova-Valdez	7 and 8	1
G. Anchorage-Palmer	9 and 10	1
H. Seward-Kenai	11 and 12	1
I. Kodiak-Aleutians	13 and 14	1
J. Central	15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20	2
K. Bristol Bay-Bethel	15 and 16	1
L. Yukon-Kuskokwim	17 and 18	1
M. Fairbanks-Fort Yukon	19 and 20	1
N. Northwestern	21, 22, 23 and 24	2
O. Barrow-Kobuk	21 and 22	1
P. Nome-Wade Hampton	23 and 24	1

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Constitutional Convention of Alaska

COMMITTEE PROPOSAL NO. 14

SCHEDULE

Election Districts

Section 1. As provided in Section 1, Article \_\_\_\_\_, until the first reapportionment provided for by Section 2 of said Article, the election districts and the number of members to be elected from each shall be as follows:

<u>No of District</u>	<u>Name of District</u>	<u>No of Members per '50 Decennial Census</u>
1	Prince of Wales	1
2	Ketchikan	2
3	Wrangell-Petersburg	1
4	Sitka	1
5	Juneau	3
6	Lynn Canal- Icy Straits	1
7	Cordova-McCarthy	1
8	Valdez-Chitna-Whittier	1
9	Talkeetna-Palmer-Wassila	1
10	Anchorage	8
11	Seward	1
12	Kenai-Cook Inlet	1
13	Kodiak	2
14	Aleutian Islands	1
15	Bristol Bay	1
16	Bethel	1
17	Kuskokwim	1
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19	Fairbanks	5
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## DESCRIPTION OF ELECTION DISTRICTS

### No. 1 Prince of Wales Election District

This district includes all of Prince of Wales, Dall, Forrester, Suemez, Baker, Lulu, Noyes, Warren, Kosciusko and the Kashevarofs Islands as well as adjacent off-shore islands.

### No. 2 Ketchikan Election District

That area of the Mainland drained by streams flowing into Revillagigedo Channel, Behm Canal, Clarence Strait and Ernest Sound from the southernmost point of the Alaska-British Columbia boundary line to and including that area drained by Bradfield Canal and its tributaries, and those islands south of Ernest Sound and east of Clarence Strait, including Revillagigedo, Gravina, Annette and Duke Islands and other adjacent smaller islands.

### No. 3 Wrangell-Petersburg Election District

That area of the Mainland north of Election District No. 2 and south of and including the area draining into Frederick Sound to Cape Fanshaw on the north, that area of Admiralty Island drained by streams flowing into Frederick Sound, that area of Baranof Island drained by streams flowing into Chatham Strait to but not including that area drained by streams flowing into Peril Strait, and including Kupreanof, Mitkof, Kuiu and Coronation Islands and other smaller adjacent islands.

### No. 4 Sitka Election District

Those parts of Admiralty, Chichagof, and Baranof Islands

not included in Election Districts No.3, 5 and 6 and Krugof Island and other smaller adjacent islands.

No. 5 Juneau Election District

The Mainland north of Election District No. 3 up to and including the area drained by streams flowing into Burners Bay on the north, and that area of Admiralty Island north of Election District No. 3 and drained by streams flowing into Stephens Passage, Seymour Canal, Lynn Canal and their tributaries and including Douglas and Shelter Islands and other smaller adjacent islands.

No. 6 Lynn Canal-Icy Straits Election District

That part of the Mainland not included in Election District No. 5 drained by streams flowing into Lynn Canal, Glacier Bay, Icy Strait, Cross Sound and their tributaries and the Pacific Ocean to and including the area drained into Icy Bay to the west, those parts of Admiralty and Chichagof Islands drained by streams flowing into Icy Strait, Cross Sound and their tributaries, and Yokobi, Lemesurier and Pleasant Islands and other smaller adjacent islands.

No. 7 Cordova - McCarthy Election District

That area draining into the Gulf of Alaska and Prince William Sound from but not including that area draining into the south side of Icy Bay on the east to Knowles Head on the west including Hawkins, Hinchinbrook, Kayak and Middleton Islands and other smaller adjacent islands, and that area drained by

the Copper River and its tributaries up to and including the Bremner River and the Chitna River and its tributaries above and including that area drained by the Chokosna and Gilahina Rivers.

No. 8 Valdez-Chitina-Whittier Election District

That area drained by all streams flowing into Prince William Sound from Cape Junken on the west to Knowles Head on the east including Montague, Latouche, and Knight Islands and adjacent smaller islands and all of the area drained by the Copper River and its tributaries above but not including the Bremner River and the Chitina River and its tributaries below and not including the Chokosna and Gilahina Rivers, but including the town of Chitina.

No. 9 Talkeetna-Palmer-Wassila Election District

That area from and including Susitna on the South, drained by the Susitna River and its tributaries and that area drained by the Little Susitna River from and including Flat Lake on the south; and that area draining into Knik Arm from and including Fish Creek and its tributaries on the west side of Knik Arm to and including Knik River to the highway bridge.

No. 10 Anchorage Election District

That area around Turnagain Arm and east of Knik Arm drained by streams flowing into Turnagain Arm and Knik Arm from and including Placer River on the south to and including the Knik

River highway bridge on the north; that area east of Knik Arm and north of Cook Inlet drained by Goose Creek and its tributaries on the east and the Little Susitna River south of Flat Lake and the Susitna River south of but not including Susitna; the area west of Cook Inlet drained by Ivan, Lewis, Theodore, and Beluga Rivers and their tributaries including the area drained by streams and their tributaries flowing into Chakachamna Lake.

No. 11 Seward Election District

That part of Kenai Peninsula draining into the Gulf of Alaska from and including Chugach and Windy Bays on the west to Cape Junken on the east and the area draining into Turnagain Arm from and including the drainage of Ressurrection Creek on the west to but not including Placer River on the east.

No. 12 Kenai-Cook Inlet Election District

That area of Kenai Peninsula drained by streams flowing into Cook Inlet and Turnagain Arm, from but not including the area drained by Chugach Bay on the south to but not including Ressurrection River on the north; that area west of Cook Inlet drained by all streams flowing into Cook Inlet from Cape Douglas on the south to and including the Chakachatna River, Chakehamna Lake; including Elizabeth Island and adjacent islands in Cook Inlet.

No. 13 Kodiak Election District

The part of the Alaska Peninsula drained by all streams flowing into the Pacific Ocean from Cape Douglas on the east

to but not including Kujulik Bay on the west and all adjacent off-shore islands, including the Semidi Islands and Kodiak, Afognak, Trinity, Chirikof Islands, and other smaller islands in the immediate vicinity such as the Barren Islands and the Chugach Islands.

No. 14 Aleutian Islands Election District

The part of the Alaska Peninsula west of and including the drainage of Meshik River and Kujulik Bay and all of the Aleutian and Pribilof Islands and adjacent off-shore islands west of and excluding the Semidi Islands and Sutwik Island.

No. 15 Bristol Bay Election District

The area drained by all streams flowing into Bristol Bay from Cape Newenham on the west to but not including the Meshik River on the south.

No. 16 Bethel Election District

The area drained by all streams flowing into Baird Inlet, Etolin Strait and Kuskokwim Bay, that area drained by the Kuskokwim River and its tributaries up to and including the area drained by the Tuluksak River on the east bank of the Kuskokwim River and the area drained by tributaries up to the opposite point on the west bank of the Kuskokwim River and including Nunivak Island and St. Mathews Island and adjacent islands.

No. 17 Kuskokwim Election District

The area drained by the Kuskokwim River and its tributaries



above and not including the area drained by the Tuluksak River on the east bank and the area drained by tributaries above the opposite point on the west bank of the Kuskokwim River; and the area drained by the Yukon River from Tuckers Slough to but not including the area drained by the Khotol River.

No. 18 Yukon-Koyukuk Election District

The area drained by all streams and their tributaries flowing into the Yukon River from and including Khotol River on the west to and including Hess Creek on the east and that area drained by the Tanana River and its tributaries up to but not including Clear Creek on the east and that part of Goldstream Creek up to but not including Nugget Creek and Spinach Creek and that portion drained by the Chatanika River up to but not including Vault Creek.

No. 19 Fairbanks Election District

That area drained by the Tanana River and its tributaries from and including Clear Creek on the west to the Alaska-Canada Boundary on the east, and also that area drained by Goldstream Creek and its tributaries up stream from and including Nugget Creek and Spinach Creek and that portion drained by the Chatanika River and its tributaries up stream from and including Vault Creek.

No. 20 Upper Yukon Election District

That area drained by the Yukon River and its tributaries from but not including Hess Creek on the west to the Alaska-

Canada Boundary and that area drained by streams flowing into the Arctic Ocean from but not including Toolik River on the west to the Alaska Boundary.

No. 21 Barrow Election District

The area drained by all streams flowing into the Chukchi Sea and Arctic Ocean from Cape Lisburne on the west to and including the area drained by the Toolik River and its tributaries on the east.

No. 22 Kobuk Election District

The area drained by all streams flowing into the Arctic Ocean and Kotzebue Sound from Cape Lisburne on the north to but not including the area drained by the Buckland River and its tributaries on the south.

No. 23 Nome Election District

All of the Seward Peninsula and adjacent areas drained by all streams flowing into the Kotzebue Sound, Bering Strait and Norton Sound from and including the area drained by the Buckland River and its tributaries on the north to and including the area drained by the Pastolic River on the south; and King, Little Diomedé, St. Lawrence, Sledge, Shamisso, and Stuart Islands, as well as adjacent offshore islands.

No. 24 Wade Hampton Election District

The area drained by the lower Yukon River and its tributaries from Tuckers Slough to the mouth at the Bering Sea, and the area drained by all streams flowing into the Bering Sea and Norton

Sound from and including Hazen Bay on the south to but not including the Pastolic River on the north.

Section 2. As provided in Section 3, Article \_\_\_\_\_, the Senatorial districts and the number of senators to be elected from each shall be as follows:

<u>Name of District</u>	<u>Number of Senators</u>	<u>Composition of Districts</u>
Southeastern	Two at large; one from election districts 1 & 2; one from election districts 3 & 4; one from election districts 5 & 6; total 5	Election districts 1 to 6, inclusive
South Central	Two at large; one from election districts 7 & 8; one from election districts 9 & 10; one from election districts 11 & 12; one from election districts 13 & 14; total 6	Election districts 7 to 14, inclusive
Central	Two at large; one from election districts 15 & 16; one from election districts 17 & 18; one from election districts 19 & 20; total 5	Election districts 15 to 20, inclusive
Northwestern	Two at large; one from election districts 21 & 22; one from election districts 23 & 24; total 4	Election districts 21 to 24, inclusive

F I R S T E N R O L L E D C O P Y

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January 13, 1956

Constitutional Convention of Alaska

COMMITTEE PROPOSAL NO. 14

Introduced by Committee on Suffrage, Elections and Apportionment

LEGISLATIVE APPORTIONMENT

RESOLVED, that the following be agreed upon as  
part of the Alaska State Constitution.

Composition  
of House:  
Apportion-  
ment

1           Section 1. The House of Representatives shall be  
2           composed of forty members elected by the qualified  
3           voters of the respective election districts. Until  
4           the first and subsequent reapportionments, the elec-  
5           tion districts and the number of representatives to  
6           be elected from each at the first State election  
7           shall be as set forth in the schedule in Article \_\_\_\_.

Reapportion-  
ment of House

8           Section 2. Immediately following the official  
9           reporting of the 1960 census of the United States, or  
10          the first regular legislative session of the State  
11          of Alaska if it occurs thereafter, and after every  
12          subsequent census, the Governor shall reapportion  
13          the House of Representatives according to civilian  
14          population as reported by the census within each  
15          election district. Reapportionment shall be by the  
16          method known as the method of equal proportions ex-  
17          cept that each election district having the major

1 fraction of the quotient obtained by dividing total  
2 civilian population by forty shall have one represent-  
3 ative. Should the total civilian population within  
4 any election district fall below one-half of the  
5 quotient, such election district shall be attached  
6 to the election district within its Senate sub-  
7 district and the reapportionment shall be determined  
8 for the new district as provided above. The Governor  
9 may further redistrict by changing the size and area  
10 of districts, subject to the following limitations:  
11 the new election districts so created shall be formed  
12 of contiguous and compact territory, shall contain  
13 a population at least equal to the quotient obtained  
14 by dividing the total civilian population by forty,  
15 shall contain as nearly as practicable relatively  
16 integrated socio-economic areas, may give consider-  
17 ation to local government boundaries, and shall use  
18 drainage and other geographic features in describing  
19 boundaries wherever possible. Provided that the  
20 districts from which Senators at large are elected  
21 may be modified to take account of changes in elec-  
22 tion districts, but retaining the total number of  
23 Senators assigned herein to each such district, and  
24 the approximate perimeter of each such district.

1 twenty members elected by the qualified voters of  
2 the respective senatorial districts. The senatorial  
3 districts shall be as set forth in the schedule in  
4 article \_\_\_\_.

Time of  
Election:  
Terms of  
Representa-  
tives and  
Senators

5 Section 4. The members of the Legislature shall  
6 be elected at general elections in even-numbered  
7 years. The term of office of members of the Senate  
8 shall be four years; one-half the senators shall be  
9 elected every two years. The term of office of mem-  
10 bers of the House of Representatives shall be two  
11 years. (See Transitory Provisions below for method  
12 of accomplishing this result in both houses.)

13 Transitory Provision: (Senate) As to the eight  
14 (8) Senators chosen, two from each senatorial dis-  
15 trict: - At the first election, one from each  
16 senatorial district shall be chosen for a two-(2)year  
17 term and one from each said district for a four-(4)  
18 year term. As to the remaining twelve (12) Senators:  
19 - At the first election, one-half the senators from  
20 senatorial districts whose total number of senators is  
21 even (Northwestern and South Central) shall be chosen  
22 for two-year terms, and one-half for four-(4)year  
23 terms; in senatorial districts whose total number of  
24 senators is odd (Southeastern and Central) one shall  
25 be chosen for a two-(2)year term and two chosen for  
26 four-(4)year terms. If the first State general

1 election is held in an odd-numbered year, one  
2 year must be added to the first terms of all senators  
3 elected at said first election.

4 Transitory Provision: (House) If the first State  
5 general election is held in an odd-numbered year the  
6 term of said representatives shall be three years.

Reapportionment Board

7 Section 5. There shall be a nonpartisan Board  
8 of Reapportionment to consist of five members of the  
9 general public, with at least one from each of the  
10 four Senate districts but not public employees or  
11 officials, to be appointed by the Governor and act  
12 in an advisory capacity to him. Members of the  
13 board shall be compensated. They shall elect one  
14 of their members chairman, and they may employ such  
15 temporary assistants as necessary. The affirmative  
16 votes of three members shall be required for a  
17 ruling or determination, but a lesser number may  
18 conduct hearings or otherwise act for the board.

19 The Board shall, within ninety days following  
20 the official report of each decennial census, sub-  
21 mit to the Governor a plan for reapportionment, or  
22 redistricting in accordance with the terms of this  
23 constitution, and the Governor shall, within ninety  
24 days thereafter, issue a proclamation showing the  
25 results of such reapportionment or redistricting,

1 giving explanation for all changes from the Boards  
2 plan, which shall be effective for the election of  
3 members of the legislature until after the next  
4 census certification.

5 Original jurisdiction is hereby vested in the  
6 Superior Court of the State to be exercised on the  
7 application of any voter, made within thirty days  
8 of the expiration of either of the two ninety-day  
9 periods above specified, to compel by mandamus or  
10 otherwise, the Governor to perform the duties above  
11 set forth; or within thirty days following his  
12 proclamation to compel, by mandamus or otherwise,  
13 the correction of any error made in such redistrict-  
14 ing or reapportionment.

15 The Supreme Court, on appeal, shall review  
16 the said cause upon the law and the facts.



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January 13, 1956

Constitutional Convention of Alaska

COMMITTEE PROPOSAL NO. 14

SCHEDULE

Election Districts

Section 1. As provided in Section 1, Article \_\_\_\_\_, until the first reapportionment provided for by Section 2 of said Article, the election districts and the number of members to be elected from each shall be as follows:

<u>No of District</u>	<u>Name of District</u>	<u>No of Members per 150 Decennial Census</u>
1	Prince of Wales	1
2	Ketchikan	2
3	Wrangell-Petersburg	1
4	Sitka	1
5	Juneau	3
6	Lynn Canal- Icy Straits	1
7	Cordova-McCarthy	1
8	Valdez-Chitna-Whittier	1
9	Talkeetna-Palmer-Massila	1
10	Anchorage	8
11	Seward	1
12	Kenai-Cook Inlet	1
13	Kodiak	2
14	Aleutian Islands	1
15	Bristol Bay	1
16	Bethel	1
17	Kuskokwim	1
18	Yukon-Koyukuk	1
19	Fairbanks	5
20	Upper Yukon	1
21	Barrow	1
22	Kobuk	1
23	Nome	2
24	Wade Hampton	1

Section 2. As provided in Section 3, Article \_\_\_\_\_, the Senatorial districts and the number of senators to be elected from each shall be as follows:

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January 11, 1956

ALASKA CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION  
COMMITTEE ON SUFFRAGE, ELECTIONS AND APPORTIONMENT

Supplement to Letter of Transmittal of  
Committee Proposal No. 14 - Apportionment

Hon. William A. Egan  
President, Alaska Constitutional Convention

Dear Mr. President:

In the letter of transmittal of Committee Proposal No. 14, it was inadvertently overlooked that certain Delegate Proposals and other correspondence from outside the Convention were not mentioned as having been considered.

Committee Minutes show that Delegate Proposals Nos. 42, 40, 36, 23, and 8 were considered, reviewed and adopted in part in Committee Proposal No. 14 as now before the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

John S. Hellenthal, Chairman

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Constitutional Convention  
Committee Proposal/14  
December 17, 1955

ALASKA CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION  
REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON  
SUFFRAGE, ELECTIONS AND APPORTIONMENT

Hon. William A. Egan  
President, Alaska Constitutional Convention

Dear Mr. President:

Your Committee on Suffrage, Elections and Apportionment submits the attached proposal for an apportionment article.

The article covers the following subjects:

1. A bicameral legislative body.
2. A House of Representatives composed of 40 members chosen from 24 Election districts determined by socio-economic principles of apportionment.
3. A Senate composed of 20 members chosen from Senate districts comprising certain election districts in socio-economic areas of Alaska.
4. A method of reapportionment based on the United States method of equal proportions, a method of redistricting as basic civilian population increases or decreases.
5. The Governor's Advisory Reapportionment and Redistricting Board with provisions for mandamus to compel action in keeping with constitutional rules should they be disregarded.
6. A method of staggering legislators' terms.

Committee Proposal No. 14

### COMPARISON WITH PRIOR LEGISLATIVE BODIES

After careful study of the composition of the legislature since the first body was created in 1913 and of the composition of the present constitutional convention it was apparent that the composition of the Territorial Legislature left much to be desired from a representative standpoint. The 1955 constitutional convention plan was believed to be a basis for a truly representative Alaska legislature and hence was carefully studied and criticized from the viewpoint of population and of the composition of its units, the election-recording districts.

### SOCIO-ECONOMIC BASIS FOR DISTRICTS

On the basis of the 1950 population, as shown by the 1950 decennial census, and with scientific estimates of 1955 population, based on school population, the Committee, with the assistance of economist George Rogers, determined that there should be 24 election districts in the State for the first State election. These districts are economic units of the Territory and may be compared in a sense to the Swiss cantons. Their boundaries are watersheds wherever possible; waterways and steamship routes are not used as boundaries, but are considered as highways piercing valleys.

### METHOD OF EQUAL PROPORTIONS

The method of apportionment known as the method of equal proportions was next considered. This method is regarded as the fairest method of allotting representatives in accordance with population. It is used by the United States Congress in the

apportionment of the United States House of Representatives following each decennial census and was evolved after long and careful study over many years. It is used in at least two states.

ELECTION DISTRICT PLAN

From the study of the method of equal proportions and the election districts composed of the various economic areas of the Territory it became apparent that the composition of the House should be 40. This figure would assure representation of each area (election district) in the House under 1950 population figures and give fair representation to all districts in proportion to their population; this number of representatives was also believed to be wieldy and workable. It was further determined to fix and insure one representative to each election district and constitutional language was drawn to accomplish this end. However, should population decline below a fixed minimum in any district, provision was made for the consolidation of the district with its neighbor; conversely, should the population of a single-member district increase beyond a fixed number and should it consist of a separate economic area and should the remaining area meet the constitutional standards, a new district will be created by the Governor upon the advice of the reapportionment-redistricting board.

The election districts and the representation of each based on the 1950 decennial census are as follows (a schedule will be made up giving detailed boundaries, following the holiday recess), to wit:-

- |                                  |                          |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Prince of Wales (1)           | 13. Kodiak (2)           |
| 2. Ketchikan (2)                 | 14. Aleutian Islands (1) |
| 3. Wrangell-Petersburg (1)       | 15. Bristol Bay (1)      |
| 4. Sitka (1)                     | 16. Bethel (1)           |
| 5. Juneau (3)                    | 17. Wade Hampton (1)     |
| 6. Lynn Canal-Icy Straits (1)    | 18. Nome (2)             |
| 7. Cordova-McCarthy (1)          | 19. Kobuk (1)            |
| 8. Valdez-Chitna-Whittier (1)    | 20. Noatak (1)           |
| 9. Seward (1)                    | 21. Kuskokwim (1)        |
| 10. Kenai-Cook Inlet (1)         | 22. Yukon-Koyukuk (1)    |
| 11. Anchorage (8)                | 23. Upper Yukon (1)      |
| 12. Talkeetna-Palmer-Wassila (1) | 24. Fairbanks (5)        |

#### SENATE STUDIES AND COMPOSITION

Whereas, in the composition of the House of Representatives, stress was placed upon civilian population with minor consideration of area (in that election districts are assured of representation by at least one representative), in the composition of the Senate stress was placed upon area with minor stress upon socio-economic areas.

Four Senate Districts were chosen. They are made up of groups of election districts; their boundaries roughly parallel the present judicial divisions.

One of the guiding principles used to determine Senate composition was the principle that the non-urban areas should be assured of Senate representation. This was achieved by dividing the Senate into

two groups. First two Senators will be chosen from four economic areas of Alaska, namely the Southeastern forest-fishing sector, the Southwestern fishing-defense sector; the Great River basin sector with its mining-trapping-defense economy, and the Arctic coastal sector with its mining-trapping-defense economy.

Election districts	1 to 6, incl.	comprise	Senate District	I
"	"	17 to 20, incl.	"	"
"	"	7 to 14, incl.	"	III
"	"	15, 16 & 21 to 24 incl."	"	IV

Each Senate district has two Senators who will be elected at large in the respective districts.

In addition, districts I and IV will have 3 Senators each; Senate district III, 4 Senators and Senate district II will have 2 Senators chosen from combinations of two successively numbered election districts.

Thus the total membership of the Senate is 20.

The following schedule shows the Senate composition:

<u>No. of District</u>	<u>Number of Senators</u>	<u>Composition of Districts</u>
I	Two at large; one from election districts 1 & 2; one from election districts 3 & 4; one from election districts 5 & 6; total 5	Election districts 1 to 6, inclusive
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STAGGERED TERMS FOR SENATORS

As senators will undoubtedly be chosen for four-year terms at general elections held in even-numbered years, (see report of the Committee on the Legislative Branch) a method is presented for staggering terms after the first State election with further provision for staggering, if the first State election is held in an odd-numbered year. The end result is that one-half the Senators will be up for election at each general election following the first State election.

REAPPORTIONMENT AND REDISTRICTING BOARD

The committee proposes that the matter of reapportionment and redistricting be primarily an executive function. It proposes a five-man advisory and nonpartisan board, representative of the economic areas of the State, to submit a reapportionment or redistricting plan to the Governor following the release of the official United States decennial census. The Governor must, by proclamation, reapportion or redistrict within three months after the submission of the board plan. The board can engage experts. The United States census performs this task for other states through its experts, and this service will be available.

If the Governor fails to perform the assigned duty or fails to follow constitutional provisions, mandamus in the State Supreme Court will be available to force his actions.

Alaskan United States Senators and the first Alaskan Congressman must of necessity be chosen at large in accordance with the federal constitution.

CONCLUSION

The above outlines committee thought in general.

Following the holiday recess, schedules showing population of election districts and their precise boundaries and maps will be furnished the delegates with further detailed explanation. Convention necessities and time limitations have made it impossible to submit these schedules earlier.

Respectfully submitted,

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	7	shall be as set forth in the schedule in Article_____.
Reapportion-	8	Section 2. Immediately following the official
ment of	9	reporting of the 1960 census of the United States, or
House	10	the first regular legislative session of the State of
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	13	House of Representatives according to civilian
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4 such election district shall be attached to the  
5 election district adjoining it having the least  
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8 The Governor may further redistrict by the creation  
9 of two or more new districts from within the larger  
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11 otherwise changing the size and areas of districts,  
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Composition  
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tives and 5 every two years. The term of office of members of  
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8 accomplishing this result in both houses.)

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11 district:- At the first election, one from each  
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19 terms; in senatorial districts whose total number of  
20 senators is odd (I & IV) one shall be chosen for a  
21 two- (2) year term and two chosen for four- (4) year  
22 terms. If the first State general election is held in  
23 an odd-numbered year, one year must be added to the  
24 first terms of all senators elected at said first  
25 election.

1           Transitory Provision: (House) If the first State  
2 general election is held in an odd-numbered year the  
3 term of said representatives shall be three years.

Reapportionment Board

4           Section 5. There shall be a nonpartisan Board  
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6 general public, but not public employees or officials,  
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11 as necessary. The affirmative votes of three members  
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6 the Governor to perform the duties above set forth;  
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8 compel, by mandamus or otherwise, the correction of  
9 any error made in such redistricting or reapportionment.

Constitutional Convention  
Committee Proposal/14  
December 17, 1955

Constitutional Convention of Alaska

COMMITTEE PROPOSAL NO. 14

SCHEDULE

Election Districts

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