



# MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

## ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM

No. AM 331-2022

Meeting Date: June 7, 2022

1 **From: Assembly Chair LaFrance**

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3 **Subject: AN ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY AMENDING**  
4 **ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 2.30.010 TO CODIFY THE**  
5 **ASSEMBLY'S PROCESS FOR SELECTION OF THE YOUTH**  
6 **REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE TO THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY AND**  
7 **TO AMEND SECTION 4.60.275 TO CONFORM TO THE ASSEMBLY'S**  
8 **PROCESS.**

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10 Anchorage Municipal Code was amended in 2017 to establish a Youth Advisory  
11 Commission and a youth representative and alternate to the Anchorage Assembly.  
12 The youth representative and alternate positions were established in Title 4, Boards  
13 and Commissions although the positions are part of the Assembly. This ordinance  
14 will move the qualifications and duties of the youth representative and alternate to  
15 the assembly in Title 2, Legislative Branch, similar to other positions that work  
16 directly with the assembly. As the legislative branch is home to the youth  
17 representative and the alternate, this ordinance brings these positions into the  
18 legislative branch's governing code.

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20 Additionally, this ordinance will widen the pool of potential participants for the  
21 position, allow the assembly to set the term based on schedule and workload, and  
22 reduce the time a youth representative may be absent from the state before the  
23 position becomes vacant automatically, unless the absence is approved by the  
24 assembly chair for extraordinary circumstances.

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26 Title 4 is amended in this ordinance to reflect modifications made in the language  
27 added to Title 2, to avoid redundancy in the code.

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29 **I request your support for the ordinance.**

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31 Prepared by: Assembly Counsel's Office  
32 Respectfully submitted: Assembly Chair Suzanne LaFrance  
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