

Sheffield names acting revenue commissioner

Gov. Bill Sheffield has named Milt Barker as acting commissioner of the Department of Revenue.

Barker, 40, came to Alaska in 1971. He began his career in state government in the Legislative Finance Division.

In 1983, after 12 years' experience in legislative finance, he was named deputy commissioner of the treasury

in the Department of Revenue.

Since 1983, he has worked as second-in-command of the department under Commissioner Mary Nordale. Nordale resigned Sept. 26.

"Alaska is in a critical time in terms of being alert to changes in state revenues, which are in turn most influential in the statewide economy," Sheffield said.

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