

# Secretary Signs Alaska Plan

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ANCHORAGE — A nine-member Alaska plan construction opportunity policy committee has been informed to organized and seek funds for a voluntary minority hiring plan for Alaska.

Robert Willard, executive director of the Alaska Human Rights Commission and chairman pro-tem of the Alaska Plan Construction Opportunity Policy Committee, said the committee will hold its first meeting Thursday in the Bureau of Indian Affairs conference room in An-

chorage.

Willard said the U. S. Secretary of Labor, James Hodgson, signed the Alaska Plan into effect without modification and cited this as a major step which "indicates that Washington officials are in concurrence that the plan will work."

Willard said he is also optimistic that Governor William Egan will sign an executive order requiring all state projects to fall in line with the Alaska Plan, a 35-page document establishing guidelines on how minority workers will participate in construction projects in Alaska.

The plan calls for each of

the building and construction unions to bring their respective minority group membership total to at least 28 percent.