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Alaska Legislature Uses Rocket Folio/NXT to Publish the Administrative Code for The State of Alaska

The **Alaska State Legislature** is a bicameral institution, consisting of the lower Alaska House of Representatives, with 40 members, and the upper house Alaska Senate, with 20 members. With a total of 60 lawmakers contributing to the laws and rules for the state of Alaska, there is a lot of information to manage, update, and publish.

As the Supervisor for Networking and Programming for the Alaska State Legislature, Shay Wilson is responsible for making sure that all of the state's laws are published and available so that anyone can access the statutes and know instantly what the law is. "I manage the server used to publish the Administrative Code for the state. We've been using Folio technology for as long as I can remember—basically since we came off publishing physical books back in the 1990s"

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Folio is the only product that lends itself to working with parts of documents rather than the entire file as a monolithic block. Wilson notes that, "A lot of products handle minutes very well, but statutes are another matter entirely because they include long documents with segments that are related to other segments. Context is extremely important, and I have found very few products that handle those sorts of things well. For large documents with discrete segments, it's really nice. I can get right to the information I need and have the ability to scroll to the adjacent sections—most search tools don't allow that kind of flexibility. That's what I like."

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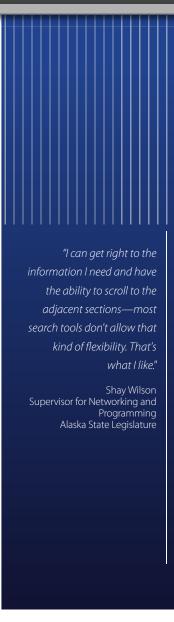
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