

The Executive Branch

The second branch of government is called the [executive branch](#). Article III of the Alaska Constitution describes the powers, duties, and responsibilities of the executive branch.

The head of the executive branch is the governor, who is elected by Alaska voters in a general election and serves for four years. The governor's many duties include the supervision of state departments such as the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Health and Social Services, and the Department of Corrections.

The lieutenant governor is elected with the governor and serves for the same term. The lieutenant governor performs those duties prescribed by law and those delegated by the governor. These include oversight of Alaska's Notary Public Office and supervision of the Division of Elections.

