

Alaska Code of Military Justice

HB 126 AND THE ALASKA NATIONAL GUARD



Progress since September 22nd

- Since the last hearing, this bill has been briefed to the Governor. Remains a priority for him and for the Adjutant General.
- Many comments and concerns from previous hearing were turned into amendments and forwarded to Legislative Legal
- Red Team is now meeting weekly. Scenarios have included:
 - Drug Use
 - Inappropriate relationships
 - AWOL
 - Sexual Assault



Changes to the Latest Version

- 1. Maximum Punishments defined in the Punitive Articles.
 - Sec 26.05.577 through Sec. 26.05.634.
 - One year or less confinement = misdemeanor charge.
- 2. Clarifies that civilian authorities have right of first refusal.
 - Sec. 26.05.400
- 3. Long arm provision changed; no jurisdiction over behavior of Servicemembers outside the state who are not on orders.
 - Sec. 26.05.403



Additional Changes to the Latest Version

- 1. Amends title relating to jurisdiction of the supreme court over petitions from the Military Appeals Commission
- 2. Creates three strikes system in DUI provision.
 - Sec. 26.05.611
- 3. Expands system of alternates
 - Sec. 26.05.460 Absent and additional members (court martial)
 - Sec. 26.05.538 (i) (Military Appeals Commission)



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Courts-Martial,
Non-Judicial Punishment

Administrative Actions

Alaska Criminal Law



Moving Forward

- 1. This version of HB 126 is again supported by the AKNG.
- 2. AKNG feels that the bill as written now would create a functioning system of military justice.
- 3. Nonjudicial Punishment regulation is being worked through by Red Team. Preliminary results are positive.
- 4. AKNG desires that HB 126 is passed during the 2016 session, so that implementation can begin in summer of that year.



QUESTIONS?

For further questions or comments at a later date please email forrest.dunbar2.mil@mail.mil