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My name is Mike Coons from Wasilla and speaking for myself.

I strongly support SB 107. I also strongly support SB 36 and SB 37. All which will have a direct and lasting impact reducing government spending!

As been shown with DOGE there is now identified 160 Billion in spending! That includes programs that have ended from years ago! SB 107 will require, based on a rotating audit of departments/divisions, recommendations to keep or do away with a division. Then if the legislature does nothing with the commission report on a division that is recommended to be sunseted, then that division dies or the legislature must bring forward as legislation to keep that division. The great thing about this is that it is not just another commission that does reports that are not read and acted on, to do so ends spending!

Now, the question is will future legislatures actual review and act on those audits? So many times finance subcommittees show excessive expenditures, make those needed cuts then those dollars are reinstated! This is beyond frustrating to the voters! SB 107 would stop this practice! The audit reports and recommendations also go to the Governor, where he/she can use in upcoming budgets and justification to do away with divisions and/or departments or keep. Again, if the

legislature does nothing then those division are done away with saving millions! Texas is doing this and has saved Billions!

In the last paragraph of the sponsors statement Senator Hughes points out that the time for the finance committee to review the Governors budget and then act is a very short window. Doing the same thing over and over again and expecting a different result is the definition of insanity! It is time to have real data and solid recommendations prior to session so that solid decisions can be made! Thus resulting in a more effective and leaner government!

Pass out of committee.

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