Departments of Revenue and Law: **Sectional Review** CSSB 21(FIN) 28-GS1647\R.A March 22, 2013 House Resources Committee

Main Provisions

- Interest Rate for Delinquent Tax Payments and Refunds of Overpayments of Taxes
 - O Decreased to 3% points above the annual rate charged by the 12th Federal Reserve District
- Corporate Income Tax Credit for Qualified Oil and Gas Service Industry Expenditures
- Production Tax Rate
 - o Establishes a 35% flat tax rate
 - Repeals progressivity.

Tax Credits

- o Eliminates current 20% capital expenditure tax credit for North Slope after December 31, 2013.
- o Increases tax credit for carried-forward annual losses to 35% for the North Slope after December 31, 2013.
- Establishes a \$5 per barrel of oil tax credit.

Gross Revenue Exclusion

- o Establishes 20 % exclusion from the gross value at the point of production for oil and gas produced from
 - 1) new units,
 - 2) new participating areas in existing units and,
 - 3) metered wells subject to demonstration by the producer of certain conditions to the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Revenue.
- Oil and Gas Competitiveness Review Board
- Hold Cook Inlet and Middle Earth harmless

Sec. 4 – Interest Rate for Delinquent Taxes

- Amends AS 43.05.225(1).
- Sets the interest rate at 3% points above the annual rate charged member banks for advances by the 12th Federal Reserve District compounded quarterly.
 - o Currently, the interest rate is the greater of either <u>5%</u> points above the annual rate charged member banks for advances by the 12th Federal Reserve District OR the annual rate of <u>11%</u> compounded quarterly.
- Eliminates the 11% alternate annual rate.
- Applies to many tax types.
- Applies against the State for refunds of overpayments of taxes.
- 12 % interest rate under AS 43.05.225(2) is unchanged.

Sec. 7 - Qualified Oil and Gas Industry Service Expenditure Tax Credit

- Amends AS 43.20, the Alaska Net Income Tax Act, by adding a new section, AS 43.20.049.
- Provides a tax credit for the lesser of 10 % of qualified oil and gas industry service expenditures incurred in the state or \$10,000,000.
- Applies against tax liability, may be carried-forward for no more than <u>5 tax years</u> after the expenditures were incurred.
- Qualified oil and gas service industry expenditure must be directly attributable to the in-state manufacture or modification of tangible personal property that has a <u>useful life of 3 years</u> or more used in the exploration, development, or production of oil or gas.

Sec. 9 - Tax Rate

- AS 43.55.011(e) is amended to levy an annual flat tax rate of 35%.
- AS 43.55.011(g), the monthly progressivity tax, is repealed.
- Applies to oil and gas produced after December 31, 2013.

Sec. 2- Community Revenue Sharing Fund

- Amends AS 29.60.850(b) to eliminate the reference to AS 43.55.011(g), progressivity, to conform to the repeal of progressivity.
- Provides guidelines for the amount the legislature may appropriate to the community revenue sharing fund.
- No change to the eligibility determinations for community revenue sharing payments to communities.

Sec. 15 - Qualified Capital Expenditure Tax Credit

- AS 43.55.023(a)(3) is a new provision limiting the 20% qualified capital expenditure tax credit for expenditures incurred to explore for, develop, or produce oil and gas deposits on the North Slope to expenditures incurred before January 1, 2014.
- Tax credits for expenditures incurred to explore for, develop, or produce oil and gas deposits <u>south</u> of the North Slope are not impacted.
- The full amount of a tax credit certificate may be issued in a single year.

Sec. 9 - Carried-Forward Tax Credit AS 43.55.023(b)

- Amends AS 43.55.023(b) to retain a tax credit of <u>25%</u> for a carried-forward annual loss for adjusted lease expenditures incurred <u>outside of the North Slope</u>.
- Provides a tax credit of <u>35%</u> for a carried-forward annual loss for adjusted lease expenditures incurred after December 31, 2013 on the North Slope.
- A carried forward annual loss is the amount of a producer's or explorer's lease adjusted lease expenditures that were not deductible in calculating the annual production tax values for that year.

Sec. 22 - \$5 Per Oil Barrel Tax Credit AS 43.55.024(i)

- Amends AS 43.55.024 by adding a new a tax credit of \$5 for each barrel of oil subject to tax under AS 43.55.011(e)
- Applicable to the producer's tax liability for the <u>year</u> the oil was produced.
- The tax credit is <u>not</u> transferable.
- Any unused portion may <u>not</u> be carried forward for use in a later calendar year
- May <u>not</u> be applied to reduce the producer's tax liability to below zero.

Sec. 29 - Gross Revenue Exclusion for North Slope Oil and Gas

- Provides that for the determination of the annual production tax value of oil and gas produced <u>north of 68 degrees North</u> <u>latitude</u>, that the gross value at the point of production is reduced by <u>20 percent</u> for the oil or gas:
 - 1) Produced from a <u>lease or property</u> that does <u>not</u> contain a lease that was <u>within a unit</u> as of <u>January 1, 2003</u>;
 - 2) Produced from a <u>participating area</u> established <u>after</u>

 <u>December 31, 2011</u> that was <u>within a unit formed under</u>

 AS 38.05.180(p) <u>before January 1, 2003</u>, if the participating area does not contain a reservoir previously established in a participating area;

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3) Produced from a well that

- o has been <u>accurately metered and measured</u> by the operator to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of the Department of Revenue, <u>and</u>
- o the <u>producer demonstrates</u> to the Department of Revenue that the well is producing from a reservoir that the Department of Natural Resources has certified was <u>not</u> contributing to production <u>before January 1, 2013, and</u>
- o the <u>producer demonstrates</u> to the Department of Revenue the <u>volume</u> of oil or gas produced from that well.
- May <u>not</u> apply 20 percent exclusion to reduce the gross value at the point of production below zero.
- Participating area defined a reservoir or portion of a reservoir producing or contributing to production as approved by the Department of Natural Resources.

Sec. 33 - Oil and Gas Competitiveness Review Board AS 43.98.040-070

- AS 43.98.040, establishes a 9 member board
 - o Governor designates chair every <u>2 years</u>. Governor may replace and remove members.
 - o Members serve <u>6 year terms</u>, may be reappointed.
 - o Board meets once a year
- AS 43.98.050 details the duties of the Board, including annual written findings and recommendations to the Legislature
- AS 43.98.060 relates to information provided to the Board
- AS 43.98.070 defines the board
- The Board sunsets December 31, 2022.