# House Finance CS HB 247 (RES) Testimony

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### Caelus Energy Alaska: Key Facts & Information



- Privately-held E&P company focused exclusively on Alaska's NS
- \$2Bn capital investment in Alaska since 2002
- ~\$300MM 2016 capital budget
- Total Alaska workforce is equivalent to over 600 full-time positions
  - ~70 full-time Alaska employees
  - Nearly 400 contractors on the North Slope today
- Operational Highlights & Accomplishments:
  - 23MMBO gross cumulative production since 2008
  - 4MMBO gross annual production 2015
  - 2015 best safety record, 0.65 OSHA recordable injury rate
  - Longest Oooguruk well length to date: 23,209'MD (ODS N-7i)
- Direct Financial Benefits to the State:
  - \$67 MM paid in royalties to the State of Alaska
  - \$60 MM paid to the State of Alaska / NSB in property taxes
- Proven & Potential Reserves:
  - ~85 MMBO remaining at ODS
  - ~100 MMBO remaining at Nuna
- 350,000 undeveloped State of Alaska leases on the North Slope



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# North Slope Exploration & Development Program





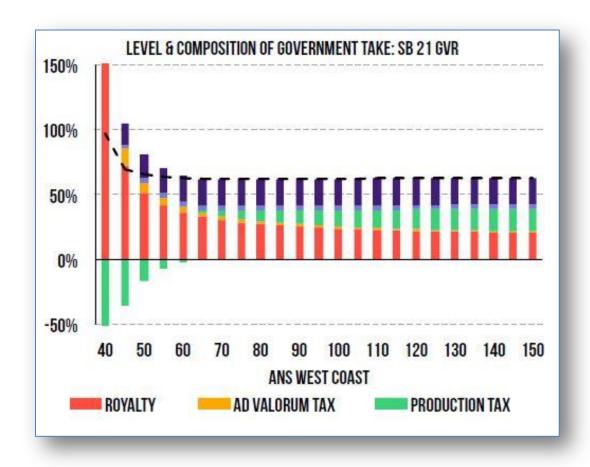
# Alaska: An Attractive Investment Opportunity?



World Class Resources?	Yes
Access to Substantial Leasehold of Interest?	Yes
Access to G&G Data and Information	Yes
Expert Contractor Community?	Yes
Hospitable Regulatory Environment?	Yes
Access to Existing Infrastructure?	Yes
Favorable Logistics?	No – remote, harsh conditions, seasonal limitations
Favorable Fiscal Regime?	Yes, under SB21. No, under proposed system changes
Stable Fiscal Regime?	No, 5 significant changes in a decade
Lender & Equity Provider's Confidence?	Historically low participation & experience Confidence in stability is low Apollo has backed Caelus Other equity providers are "watching" Bank of America committed but spooked by change ING backed out when changes began Wells Fargo disengaged when changes began

### Alaska Oil Tax Policy - Integrated Tax System





"At \$40 per barrel and below, (the government) is taking so much value, when there is not value to take"

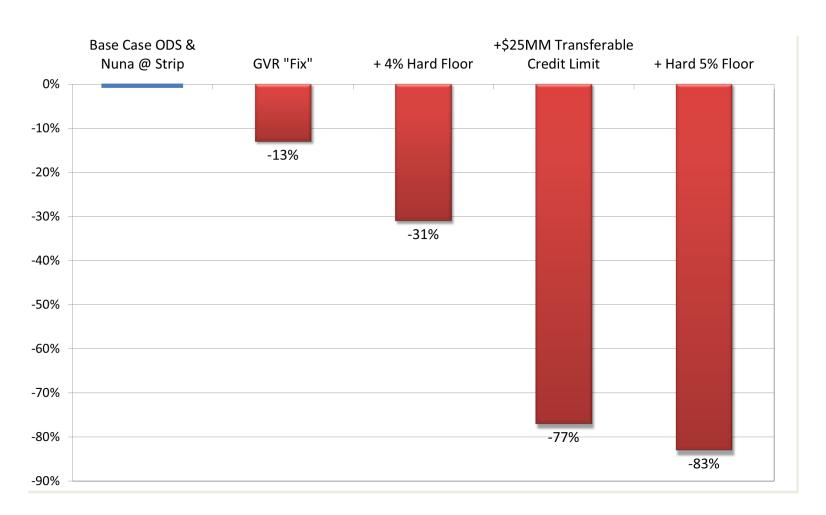
~Janak Mayer, enalytica, House Resources Committee Feb. 25, 2016

# Tax Program Changes & Impacts to Caelus



#### Felt like the rug was pulled from under us when the change conversation began

#### Percentage Change in Life-Cycle Project Net Present Value



### Nuna: A Project on the Bubble



#### First oil Late 2018 IF Prices recover & confidence in favorable / stable fiscal terms exist

- Caelus holds 100% interest
- 100+ MMBO 2P reserves
- 20,000 to 25,000 BOPD peak production in 2021

#### **Economically Benefits Alaska**

- 300 FTE contractor construction jobs for two years
- 300 FTE contractor drilling jobs for 4 to 5 years
- \$1.75 Bn in future payments to the State of Alaska
  - ~ \$900MM in future royalty payments\*
  - ~ \$500 MM in future NPSL payments\*
  - > \$250 MM in future production tax payments\*
  - ~ \$100 MM in future Ad Valorem taxes
- <\$250MM in future NOL cash payments from the State of Alaska</p>



<sup>\*</sup> Values are undiscounted based upon a Flat \$70/bbl Brent Price Assumption

### Closing thoughts



#### Alaska has Great Resource Potential

- Alaska needs more exploration & production companies to fully develop its petroleum resources
- SB 21 is a balanced system that is working for Alaska

#### CS HB 247(RES) :

- > 40 hrs. of examination: experts, industry, public
- Better than original version, but not perfect
- Represents yet another change in oil tax law
  - > Instability > Uncertainty

#### Recommendations

- NO U-Turn!
  - Limits on capital credits limits investment
  - Hard floor: taking value when no value to take
- Thoughtful policy considerations:
  - Will policy increase production?



# Thank you





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