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**HB 407 — APOC; Campaign Contributions/Reporting**

**Sponsor Statement**

The Alaska Public Offices Commission (APOC) has seen a 42.4% reduction in UGF since the FY15 management plan, resulting in the loss of six positions. HB 407 would streamline reporting requirements to allow APOC to operate more efficiently within the current budgetary restraints.

HB 407 increases APOC efficiency by also easing the auditing requirements, allowing APOC to exercise discretion when reviewing reports and statements, eliminating duplicative reporting, extending response times for advisory opinions, and extending small campaign reporting exemptions to groups.

In addition to the streamlining measures, HB 407 provides needed clarification by specifying the requirements of "paid for" lines on campaign communications and defining a calendar year for cash contribution limits.

APOC provides an important public service ensuring the enforcement of campaign finance ethics requirements. HB 407 allows APOC to complete their mission more efficiently and cost effectively.