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39"JOINT CHAIRMANS' REPORT ON  
CS SSHJR 39

The Finance and Judiciary Committees of the House have each considered individually SS HJR 39, transmitted to the House by the Governor on January 15, 1976. The House Judiciary Committee, in unanimously adopting and reporting out a Judiciary Committee Substitute, incorporated amendments adopted by both the Finance and Judiciary Committees. CS SSHJR 39 is addressed in this joint report so that the intent of the constitutional amendment proposed by the resolution is clear.

The proposed constitutional amendment, which both committees view as of vital importance to the state, would establish an Alaska Permanent Fund into which 25 percent of all mineral lease rentals, royalties, royalty sale proceeds, federal mineral revenue sharing payments, bonuses and all mineral production taxes would automatically be placed.

The committee substitute raises from 15 to 25 the percentage of nonrenewable resource revenue to be dedicated. This change was made after the committees' concurrence with the Governor that the 25 percent level of funding would allow flexibility in future budgeting of state expenditures even if the most conservative case for future state revenue projections proves true. On the other hand, sufficient income would be accumulated in the Alaska Permanent Fund to allow diversification of Alaska's economy and to insure that future generations receive benefits from development of the State's nonrenewable resources.

The word "all" has been added before the words "mineral production taxes" in sec. 15 of the proposed constitutional amendment so that it is clear that all future taxes measured by mineral production or severance are included in this provision of the Constitution. The addition of the word "all" does not include property taxes. Examples of taxes included under sec. 15 include Oil and Gas Property Production Tax, AS 43.55 and the Oil and Gas Regulation and Conservation Tax, AS 43.57. Taxes which are not included are Oil and Gas Exploration, Production and Pipeline Transportation Property Taxes, AS 43.56 and Oil and Gas Reserves Ad Valorem Tax, AS 43.58.

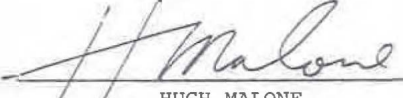
In regard to both mineral leasing and mineral production taxes, the amount to be placed in the Fund would be based upon the gross amount to be received by the state. Accordingly, twenty-five percent of the gross amount of these revenues would be paid into the fund even though a portion of these revenues will be paid into the Alaska Native Fund as required by law.


In the event royalties are taken in kind, 25 percent of the proceeds from their sale would be placed in the fund. Also, revenue sharing payments which the state receives from federal mineral leasing would be dedicated.

The principal of the Fund would be used only for investment SSHJR in income-producing investments which the legislative 39 would establish and change from time to time to meet the needs of the state. The Fund would come into existence and accumulate 25 percent of all nonrenewable source revenues received by the state 90 days after the certification of the 1976 election returns by the lieutenant governor. It is the purpose of the delayed effective date to allow the legislature to provide by law for an investment structure for the Alaska Permanent Fund.

The purpose of the language in the last sentence of the resolution is to give future legislatures the maximum flexibility in using the Fund's earnings -- ranging from adding to Fund principal to paying out a dividend to resident Alaskans.

The fiscal note provides for an interim study and development of alternative investment goals and structures for the Fund to be performed jointly by executive and legislative staff under the direction of the State Investment Advisory Committee.

  
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The State Affairs Committee has had HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION HJR NO. 41 (Requesting the Secretary of the United State Department of Transportation to transfer Southeast Alaska 41 from the Pacific Standard Time Zone to the Yukon Standard Time Zone) under consideration and a majority of the members of the Committee recommends it be replaced with COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 41 (Requesting the Secretary of the United State Department of Transportation to revise the standard time zones in which Alaska is located) and that it do pass. The report was signed by Mr. McKinnon, Chairman, and concurred in by Parker, Wallis, Fischer and Miller. Not concurring was McKinnon who has no recommendation.

Mr. Malone moved and asked unanimous consent that the Finance Committee referral on HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 41 be waived. There being no objection, the motion was agreed to and the resolution was placed on the calendar.

**Distributed by Senator Bill Wielechowski**  
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