

**ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT, TRADE AND TOURISM**

February 28, 2002

4:09 p.m.

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

OVERVIEW: DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RE:
ALASKA ECONOMIC INFORMATION SYSTEM

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CALL TO ORDER

REPRESENTATIVE LESIL McGUIRE, Chair, called the House Special Committee on Economic Development, Trade and Tourism to order at 4:09 p.m.

PRESENT

Committee members present were Representatives McGuire, Green, and Dyson. Also in attendance was Representative Wilson.

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

PETER FREER, Economic Development Project Manager, Division of Community and Business Development, Department of Community & Economic Development (DCED), presented information on the Alaska Economic Information System (AEIS). The AEIS is a tool to help grow Alaska's base economy. It is a content-rich, web-based economic database that describes and analyzes the Alaska economy by industry sector and census area. It is based on the belief that good information is the foundation for investment, development, and opportunity. The AEIS provides and collates a vast amount of economic and supporting information through economic development narratives, and is a portal to relevant material and source material availability. Mr. Freer also presented a live demonstration of the system on the Internet. A handout was provided.

JOSEPH MEHRKENS, Economist, Division of Community and Business Development, Department of Community & Economic Development,

gave backup support to the AEIS presentation and helped Mr. Freer with questions throughout the presentation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

COMMITTEE ACTION

The committee took no action.

ADJOURNMENT

CHAIR McGUIRE adjourned the House Special Committee on Economic Development, Trade and Tourism meeting at 4:45 p.m.

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