

22ND ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
1ST SESSION
HOUSE SENATE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
HB 103/HB 104
APRIL 11, 2001

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mulder called the Conference Committee meeting to order at 3:12 p.m.

PRESENT

House:

Representative Eldon Mulder, Chair
Bill Williams, Member
John Davies, Member

Senate:

Senator Dave Donley, [Vice-Chair, pending election]
Senator Pete Kelly, Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Senator Lyman Hoffman

ALSO PRESENT

David Teal, Director, Legislative Finance Division

SUMMARY

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 103(FIN)(brf sup maj fld)

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government, for certain programs, and to capitalize funds; and providing for an effective date."

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 104(FIN)

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."

and

SCS CSHB 103(FIN)(BRF SUP MAJ FLD S)

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government, for certain programs, and to capitalize funds; and providing for an effective date."

SCS CSHB 104(FIN)(BRF SUP MAJ FLD S)

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."

HB 103 and HB 104 were HELD in Committee for further

consideration.

Senator Donley MOVED to ADOPT Representative Mulder as presiding chair of the 2001 budget conference committee. There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

Representative Mulder MOVED to ADOPT Senator Donley as vice-chair of the 2001 budget conference committee. There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

Co-Chair Mulder discussed meeting times and noted that meetings would generally be between 3:00 to 5:00 PM.

Chair Mulder noted that the Conference Committee will operate under Uniform Rule 42. Voting to adopt any motion or take any action before the Committee takes a majority of members and at least two affirmative votes from each body. If a budget component has been closed, it takes two votes from each body to re open. A copy of Uniform Rule 42 and related legal opinions were provided to each member.

Hair Mulder clarified that only members of the Conference Committee may make motions, take part in discussion, or sit at the table. He indicated that David Teal, Director, Legislative Finance Division would join members at the table and be available to answer questions.

The Conference Committee may call members of the Legislature or other witnesses to answer questions raised by members of the Conference Committee. Testimony will only be taken upon request of a Committee member and with approval of the Chair.

As in past Conference Committees, Legislative Finance has been directed to prepare the "motion sheets". These sheets summarize the differences between the two versions.

Chair Mulder noted that both the House and the Senate process allowed for public testimony. That portion of the process has now concluded and the Conference Committee will not be accepting public testimony.

Senator Donley MOVED to request limited powers of free conference on the following specific points

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 103(FIN)(brf sup maj fld)
and
SCS CSHB 103(FIN)(BRF SUP MAJ FLD S)

And

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 104(FIN)
and

SCS CSHB 104(FIN)(BRF SUP MAJ FLD S)

Categories I, II, and III, Mental Health Capital, Language Sections.

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

Chair Mulder explained that under Limited Powers the Conference Committee can go no higher than the highest number. It can go as low as zero or anywhere in between. Category I contains items where the House and Senate are the same in both appropriations and intent (these are not available for conference). Category II contains items where the House and Senate are the same in appropriation amount but different in language or Intent; the Conference Committee is free to adopt either version of intent or insert new intent. Category III contains items where the House and Senate are different in appropriation amount, language and/or intent.

Chair Mulder noted that he would try to give 24-hour notice to the departments directly or through OMB.

HB 103 and HB 104 were HELD in Committee for further consideration.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:21 p.m.