

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

May 20, 2002
9:20 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Senator Robin Taylor, Chair
Senator Dave Donley, Vice Chair
Senator John Cowdery
Senator Gene Therriault
Senator Johnny Ellis

MEMBERS ABSENT

All Members Present

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

HOUSE BILL NO. 2001

"An Act setting timelines for issuance of final orders by the Regulatory Commission of Alaska, amending the authority of the commission to enter compromise settlement orders, and extending the commission's termination date to June 30, 2006; and providing for an effective date."

MOVED SCS HB 2001(JUD) OUT OF COMMITTEE

PREVIOUS SENATE COMMITTEE ACTION

HB 2001 - No previous action to record.

WITNESS REGISTER

No witnesses testified

ACTION NARRATIVE

TAPE 02-35, SIDE A

Number 001

CHAIRMAN ROBIN TAYLOR called the Senate Judiciary Committee meeting to order at 9:20 p.m. Senators Cowdery, Donley, Therriault and Taylor were present. The committee took up HB 2001.

#HB2001

HB2001-REGULATORY COM. OF ALASKA: SUNSET & MISC

CHAIRMAN TAYLOR informed members that a work draft to HB 2001 was prepared and that he would entertain a motion to adopt it.

SENATOR DONLEY moved to adopt the work draft (labeled 22-GH2111\F) as the proposed committee substitute.

CHAIRMAN TAYLOR announced that without objection, the motion carried.

CHAIRMAN TAYLOR offered Amendment 1, which corrects a typographical error on page 1, line 2; it changes the word "tack" to "task." He then noted that without objection, Amendment 1 was adopted.

SENATOR THERRIAULT moved to insert Section 1 [Sec.42.05.175] from HB 2001 into the work draft [Amendment 2].

CHAIRMAN TAYLOR explained that Section 1 takes in all of the substantive matters on pages 1 (except the title), 2, and through line 7 of page 3.

SENATOR DONLEY asked if the motion includes a conforming title amendment.

CHAIRMAN TAYLOR verified that it does.

SENATOR DONLEY noted that Section 1 falls under the title of HB 2001.

CHAIRMAN TAYLOR pointed out that the title of the committee substitute will have to be redrafted and that a title resolution has passed.

SENATOR THERRIAULT stated, "If it takes a title change, yes."

CHAIRMAN TAYLOR noted that with no further discussion or objection to Amendment 2, it was adopted.

SENATOR THERRIAULT moved to adopt Amendment 3, which would change the date on page 1, lines 7-8 from September 30, 2002 to June 30, 2003 and explained that the change would provide a one-year extension.

CHAIRMAN TAYLOR objected to the adoption of Amendment 3.

SENATOR THERRIAULT pointed out that the Legislative Budget and

Audit auditor recommended the Regulatory Commission of Alaska be extended for four years. He noted that because of concern that this issue be revisited, it makes sense to him to shorten it to one year, which he believes is acceptable.

The committee took a brief at-ease.

CHAIRMAN TAYLOR called the meeting back to order and requested a roll call vote on Amendment 3. The committee took a second at-ease and upon reconvening a roll call vote was taken. The motion to adopt Amendment 3 failed with Senators Donley, Cowdery, and Taylor opposed and Senators Therriault and Ellis in favor.

SENATOR COWDERY moved SCS HB 2001(JUD) to the next committee of referral. There being no objection, the motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the committee, CHAIRMAN TAYLOR adjourned the meeting.