

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
SENATE RULES COMMITTEE
January 25, 2001
11:17 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Senator Drue Pearce, Chair
Senator John Cowdery, Vice Chair
Senator Randy Phillips
Senator Johnny Ellis

MEMBERS ABSENT

Senator Gene Therriault

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5
Relating to opposition to National Collegiate Athletic Association
legislative proposal 2000-106.

MOVED CSSJR 5(RLS) OUT OF COMMITTEE

SENATE BILL NO. 10

"An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Public
Accountancy."

MOVED SB 10 OUT OF COMMITTEE

PREVIOUS COMMITTEE ACTION

SJR 5 - No previous action.

SB 10 - See Labor and Commerce minutes dated 1/23/01.

ACTION NARRATIVE

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CHAIR DRUE PEARCE called the Senate Rules Committee meeting to
order at 11:17 a.m. Present were Senators Cowdery, Phillips, Ellis
Therriault and Pearce.

#SJR 5

SJR 5-NCAA BASKETBALL PRESEASON TOURNAMENTS

SENATOR LOREN LEMAN, sponsor of SJR 5, recommended the proposed
CSSJR 5(RLS), which is a compilation of work done by Senator Wilken

and himself. Originally, they worked independently along the same track to support the University of Alaska in opposing NCAA proposal 2000-1006. He explained that several years ago the University worked hard to get a compromise in the NCAA rule, which exempts certain tournaments from the 28-game limit on basketball games. The exempted tournaments are the Top of the World Classic in Fairbanks and the Shootout in Anchorage. Two of those games do not count toward the limit, one does. The exemption provides an additional incentive for top Division 1 teams to come to Alaska to play. The compromise also provided that no school can play more than once in four years to give many teams a chance to play in these tournaments.

SENATOR LEMAN said that the tournaments have been very successful. The teams that participate say that Alaska's tournaments are among the best in the United States. They provide a chance for Alaska's student athletes to compete with some of the best athletes in the country, which is a drawing card for the University's athletic programs. The tournaments also provide a financial benefit to Alaska. He noted that this resolution is on a fast track because the public testimony period for the NCAA proposal closes on Tuesday.

SENATOR PHILLIPS moved to adopt CSSJR 5(RLS). There being no objection, CHAIR PEARCE noted the motion carried.

SENATOR THERRIAULT moved to calendar SJR 5. There being no objection, CHAIR PEARCE announced the motion carried.

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#SB 10

SB 10-EXTENDED BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY

CHAIR PEARCE announced that SB 10 was before the committee.

SENATOR THERRIAULT, sponsor of SB 10, explained that this legislation was introduced at the recommendation of the Division of Legislative Budget and Audit. It extends the Board of Public Accountancy for the standard four years. Although this board has been extended for a longer period of time in the past, the Legislature prefers the four year extension. He believes that boards with certain powers to restrict or oversee people involved in economic activity should be reviewed more frequently. He noted that committee members' packets contain letters of support.

SENATOR PHILLIPS moved to calendar SB 10. There being no objection, CHAIR PEARCE announced that SB 10 would be calendared. She then adjourned the meeting at 11:22 a.m.

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