

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

SENATE RULES COMMITTEE

May 7, 2002

11:55 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Senator Randy Phillips, Chair
Senator John Cowdery, Vice Chair
Senator Rick Halford
Senator Gene Therriault
Senator Johnny Ellis

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 363(STA)

"An Act relating to communications and elections, to reporting of contributions and expenditures, and to campaign misconduct in the second degree; relating to disclosure by individuals of contributions to candidates; and providing for an effective date."

APPROVED FOR CALENDARING

SENATE BILL NO. 370

"An Act establishing procedures relating to constitutional conventions."

APPROVED FOR CALENDARING

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 397(STA)

"An Act exempting a person driving certain motor vehicles, aircraft, or watercraft from driver licensing requirements; and providing for an effective date."

SCHEDULED BUT NOT HEARD

PREVIOUS COMMITTEE ACTION

SB 363 - See State Affairs minutes dated 4/23/02 and 5/4/02.

SB 370 - See State Affairs minutes dated 5/2/02.

HB 397 - See Transportation minutes dated 4/16/02 and 4/30/02.

ACTION NARRATIVE

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CHAIRMAN RANDY PHILLIPS called the Senate Rules Committee meeting to order at 11:55 a.m. All members were present. The committee first took up SB 363.

#SB 363

SENATOR THERRIAULT moved to calendar **SB 363-CAMPAIGN FINANCE PROVISIONS** and its attached fiscal note at the Chairman's discretion.

CHAIRMAN PHILLIPS announced that with no objection, the motion carried.

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SENATOR THERRIAULT moved and asked unanimous consent to calendar **SB 370-CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION PROCEDURES** and its two fiscal notes at the Chairman's discretion.

SENATOR ELLIS objected for the purpose of discussion. He then asked why the default location is the University of Alaska in Fairbanks.

SENATOR THERRIAULT answered it is because the original constitutional convention was called in Fairbanks. Background information shows that the framers wanted it to take place outside of Juneau, the regular seat of politics. The entire plan currently defaults to the call as it was originally made. He added that is the default so the legislature can choose the location and method of election next year.

SENATOR ELLIS withdrew his objection.

CHAIRMAN PHILLIPS announced that with no objection, SB 370 would be calendared.

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#HB 397

The committee took up **HB 397-EXEMPTIONS FROM DRIVER'S LICENSING.**

SENATOR ELLIS noted that Chairman Phillips' announcement on the Senate floor did not include HB 397.

CHAIRMAN PHILLIPS said his earlier announcement did.

SENATOR ELLIS said he would have preferred that the Chairman had announced the specific items to be dealt with so that the public could stay informed.

CHAIRMAN PHILLIPS announced that he would hold HB 397 until the following day.

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There being no further business to come before the committee, CHAIRMAN PHILLIPS adjourned the meeting at 12:00 noon.