

**ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
HOUSE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL
SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE**

January 29, 2004

3:06 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Representative Peggy Wilson, Chair
Representative John Coghill
Representative Paul Seaton
Representative Kelly Wolf

MEMBERS ABSENT

Representative Carl Gatto, Vice Chair
Representative Sharon Cissna
Representative Mary Kapsner

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

PRESENTATION BY MARK WALKER, LCSW, WRANGELL COMMUNITY SERVICES,
ON "CROSSINGS WILDERNESS EXPEDITIONS FOR YOUTH"

TAPES

04-06, SIDE(S) A & B

CHAIR PEGGY WILSON convened the meeting of the House Health, Education and Social Services Standing Committee at 3:06 p.m. Representatives Wilson, Wolf, Coghill, and Seaton were present at the call to order.

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

STEVE PRYSUNKA, Founder and Organizer, Crossings Wilderness Expeditions for Youth ("Crossings"), Wrangell, gave a presentation describing the youth program Crossings. The presentation described the policies, practices, and mission of Crossings. Also, the presentation described similar programs in other states, and what the State of Alaska could do to assist the Crossings program. The presentation also described the importance of Crossings and its effectiveness for troubled youth.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

COMMITTEE ACTION

The committee took no action.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the committee, the House Health, Education and Social Services committee meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

NOTE: The meeting was recorded and handwritten log notes were taken. A copy of the tape(s) and log notes may be obtained by contacting the House Records Office at State Capitol, Room 3, Juneau, Alaska 99801 (mailing address), (907) 465-2214, and after adjournment of the second session of the Twenty-Third Alaska State Legislature this information may be obtained by contacting the Legislative Reference Library at (907) 465-3808.