

24th ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
1st SESSION
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HB 66 & HB 67
April 28, 2005
2:07 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Chenault called the Conference Committee meeting to order at 2:07:31 PM.

PRESENT

Senate:

Senator Gary Wilken Vice-Chair
Senator Lyda Green, Member
Senator Lyman Hoffman, Member

House:

Representative Mike Chenault, Chair
Representative Kevin Meyer, Member
Representative Eric Croft, Member

ALSO PRESENT

David Teal, Director, Legislative Finance Division; fiscal analysts with the Office of Management and Budget and Legislative Finance Division; and aides to committee members and other members of the Legislature.

SUMMARY

#hb66

CSHB 67(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."

CSHB 66(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 67(FIN)

An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government, for certain programs, and to capitalize funds; making appropriations under art. IX, sec. 17(c), Constitution of the State of Alaska, from the constitutional budget reserve fund; and providing for an effective date."

SCS CSHB 66(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."

HB 66 and HB 67 were heard and HELD in Committee for further consideration. Motions were taken on the following departments:

Governor
Court System
Legislature
Administration
Commerce
Education
Environmental Conservation

2:08:19 PM

Senator Wilken MOVED to ADOPT the following Items in the Office of the Governor's budget:

Senate Version on Item 1.

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

Chair Chenault noted that this action would close the Office of the Office of the Governor's budget.

Senator Wilken MOVED to ADOPT the following Items for the Court System's Budget:

Senate versions on Items 1 and 2
House version on Item 3.
Item 4 will remain open.

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

Senator Wilken MOVED to ADOPT: Legislature

Senate versions on Items 1 and 2

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

Chair Chenault noted that this action would close the Alaska Court System's budget.

2:09:21 PM

Senator Wilken MOVED to ADOPT the following Items in the Department of Administration's Budget:

Senate versions on Items 5, 7 and 11;
House versions on Items 1, 4, and 6; and

Amending the House version on Item 2 to House minus \$100.0 G and 112.2 I/A Receipts.
Items 3, 8, 9 and 10 will remain open.

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

2:13:41 PM

Senator Wilken MOVED to ADOPT the following Items for the Department of Commerce and Community and Economic Development:

Senate versions 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 12, and 14
House versions 2, 3
Item 7 - House minus \$500, and Senate version of 250.0 of BLIC & Corp.
Items 6, 10 and 13 will remain open.

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

Senator Wilken MOVED to ADOPT the following Items for the Department of Education and Early Development's Budget:

Senate Items 1, 3, 4, 5, and 8
House Versions 2, 6, and 7
Item 9 open.

Senator Hoffman OBJECTED to Item 1, school funding. He questioned if the action would require the adoption of the Senate numbers of HB 1.

Representative Croft referred to Item 5 and questioned if the effect of the Senate number would be a \$250 thousand reduction to Mt. Edgecumbe. Senator Wilken confirmed. He noted that there are two appropriations to Mt. Edgecumbe.

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

2:16:22 PM

Senator Wilken MOVED to ADOPT the following numbers for Department of Environmental Conservation's Budget:

Senate versions on Items 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8 and
House versions on Items 7 and
Amended House version on Item 2 of House plus \$50.0.
The changes will be (\$11.1) GF Match, (\$31.5) GF and (\$7.4) GF/Program

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered and the Department's budget was closed.

2:17:30 PM

Representative Chenault announced that the next meeting take up the following departments:

Fish and Game
Labor
Corrections
Law
Military/Vets
Natural Resources
Public Safety
Previously heard departments with open Items.

Representative Croft noted the previous day's discussion on limited powers of free conference on the jet issue. He felt that the Committee could ask for limited powers of free conference on the issue of the Governor's purchase of a jet.

Representative Croft MOVED to ADOPT limited powers of free conference on the issue of the Governor's purchase of a jet.

Representative Chenault OBJECTED.

A roll call vote was taken on the motion.

IN FAVOR: Croft

OPPOSED: Chenault, Meyer, Hoffman, Green, Wilken

The MOTION FAILED: Senate 3 nays
House 1 yea, 2 nays.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:19 PM