

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE  
HOUSE LABOR AND COMMERCE STANDING COMMITTEE

April 11, 2005

3:15 p.m.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT**

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**COMMITTEE CALENDAR**

SENATE BILL NO. 129

"An Act relating to the wrongful recording of a notice of pendency of an action relating to title to or right to possession of real property."

- MOVED CSSB 129(JUD) OUT OF COMMITTEE

SENATE BILL NO. 52

"An Act relating to the reorganization of certain functions of the division of banking, securities, and corporations and the division of occupational licensing in the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development; and providing for an effective date."

- MOVED CSSB 52(L&C) OUT OF COMMITTEE

HOUSE BILL NO. 157

"An Act relating to the powers of electric or telephone cooperatives."

- HEARD AND HELD

**PREVIOUS COMMITTEE ACTION**

BILL: SB 120

SHORT TITLE: ELIMINATE DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

SPONSOR(S): SENATOR(S) OLSON

02/28/05 (S) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS

02/28/05 (S) CRA, L&C

BILL: SB 52

SHORT TITLE: OCCUPATIONS/CORPORATIONS/BANKS/SECURITIES

SPONSOR(S): RULES BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

01/12/05 (S) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS  
 01/12/05 (S) L&C  
 02/01/05 (S) L&C AT 1:30 PM BELTZ 211  
 02/01/05 (S) -- Meeting Rescheduled to 02/08/05 --  
 02/08/05 (S) L&C AT 1:30 PM BELTZ 211  
 02/08/05 (S) Moved CSSB 52(L&C) Out of Committee  
 02/08/05 (S) MINUTE(L&C)  
 02/15/05 (S) L&C AT 1:30 PM BELTZ 211  
 02/15/05 (S) Moved CSSB 52(L&C) Out of Committee  
 02/15/05 (S) MINUTE(L&C)  
 02/16/05 (S) L&C RPT CS 2DP 1NR  
 NEW TITLE  
 02/16/05 (S) DP: BUNDE, SEEKINS  
 02/16/05 (S) NR: ELLIS  
 03/03/05 (S) TRANSMITTED TO (H)  
 03/03/05 (S) VERSION: CSSB 52(L&C)  
 03/04/05 (H) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS  
 03/04/05 (H) EDT, L&C  
 03/22/05 (H) EDT AT 5:00 PM CAPITOL 124  
 03/22/05 (H) -- Meeting Canceled --  
 04/05/05 (H) EDT AT 5:00 PM CAPITOL 124  
 04/05/05 (H) Moved CSSB 52(L&C) Out of Committee  
 04/05/05 (H) MINUTE(EDT)  
 04/06/05 (H) EDT RPT 3DP 3NR  
 04/06/05 (H) DP: COGHILL, CRAWFORD, DAHLSTROM;  
 04/06/05 (H) NR: LYNN, RAMRAS, NEUMAN  
 04/11/05 (H) L&C AT 3:15 PM CAPITOL 17

BILL: HB 157

SHORT TITLE: ELEC/PHONE COOP & OTHER ENTITIES  
 SPONSOR(s): REPRESENTATIVE(s) ANDERSON

02/18/05 (H) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS  
 02/18/05 (H) CRA, L&C  
 02/28/05 (H) SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE INTRODUCED  
 02/28/05 (H) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS  
 02/28/05 (H) CRA, L&C  
 03/22/05 (H) CRA AT 8:00 AM CAPITOL 124  
 03/22/05 (H) <Bill Hearing Canceled>  
 03/31/05 (H) CRA AT 8:00 AM CAPITOL 124  
 03/31/05 (H) Moved CSSH 157(CRA) Out of Committee  
 03/31/05 (H) MINUTE(CRA)  
 04/05/05 (H) CRA RPT CS(CRA) NT 3DP 1NR  
 04/05/05 (H) DP: SALMON, THOMAS, OLSON;  
 04/05/05 (H) NR: LEDOUX  
 04/11/05 (H) L&C AT 3:15 PM CAPITOL 17

**WITNESS REGISTER**

**ACTION NARRATIVE**

**CHAIR TOM ANDERSON** called the House Labor and Commerce Standing Committee meeting to order at 3:28:48 PM. **Representatives \*** were present at the call to order. **Representatives \*** arrived as the meeting was in progress.

[The transcripts for HB 129 are forthcoming.]

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SB 52-OCCUPATIONS/CORPORATIONS/BANKS/SECURITIES

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CHAIR ANDERSON announced that the next order of business would be SENATE BILL NO. 52, "An Act relating to the reorganization of certain functions of the division of banking, securities, and corporations and the division of occupational licensing in the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development; and providing for an effective date." [Before the committee was CSSB 52(L&C)].

RICK URION, Director of Occupational Licensing, Department of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development (DCCED), stated that with Administrative Order 219 the Division of Banking, Securities, and Corporations to the Division of Occupational Licensing. He indicated that this was a great move since the two division have many common issues. He started off stating that the bill before the committee is a housekeeping bill and makes no substantive changes to the law. He explained that CSSB 52(L&C) replaces all references to specific divisions with the word "department". Mr. Urion expressed the hope that with the passage of CSSB 52(L&C), the Division of Occupational Licensing will change its name to more accurately reflect the inclusion of the Division of Banking, Securities, and Corporations.

REPRESENTATIVE ROKEBERG asked if there will be any investigatory efforts that will require the division to police its new responsibility.

MR. URION answered that there would be no more policing than the division already does. He explained that the creation of one

common databank will enable the division to do in-house investigations.

REPRESENTATIVE GUTTENBERG asked if the department has authorities that the division didn't have with regard to enforcement and prosecution.

MR. URION asserted that the division would assume absolutely no more authority than it has now. He reiterated that the references to specific divisions in statute are being eliminated and replaced with references to the "department".

REPRESENTATIVE ROKEBERG stated that one of the issues that he knew about from the Division of Banking, Securities, and Corporations were problems concerning oversight of Native corporations with their elections of boards of directors. He then asked if this responsibility now falls under the auspices of the [Division of Occupational Licensing].

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MR. URION answered yes. In further response to Representative Rokeberg, he specified that there are nine positions with three vacancies.

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REPRESENTATIVE ROKEBERG asked if the division received personnel after the passage of the executive order.

MR. URION answered that there are nine positions, with three vacancies. He expressed the need for more staff.

REPRESENTATIVE ROKEBERG said that this was all being done by executive order and that basically this was a name change. He asked if, by doing this, [the legislature] is ratifying the governor's executive order.

MR. URION stated that this is a "one stop business shop". He highlighted the new departmental website, where one can take care of many business-related tasks.

REPRESENTATIVE ROKEBERG reported that this was an administrative order and not an executive order, and therefore the legislature had no opportunity to accept or reject the change.

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CHAIR ANDERSON closed public testimony.

REPRESENTATIVE ROKEBERG moved to report CSSB 52(L&C) out of committee with individual recommendations and the accompanying fiscal notes. There being no objection, CSSB 52(L&C) was reported from the House Labor and Commerce Standing Committee.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the committee, the House Labor and Commerce Standing Committee meeting was adjourned at [5:07:12 PM](#).