

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
HOUSE LABOR AND COMMERCE STANDING COMMITTEE

April 15, 2005

3:15 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

MEMBERS ABSENT

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

PREVIOUS COMMITTEE ACTION

WITNESS REGISTER

ACTION NARRATIVE

REPRESENTATIVE PETE KOTT called the House Labor and Commerce Standing Committee meeting to order at [3:29:42 PM](#)

[The transcripts for HB 226 are forthcoming.]

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HB 181-WAIVE CONTINUING EDUC. REQ FOR MILITARY

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REPRESENTATIVE KOTT announced that the next order of business would be HB 181. Representative Coghill is the sponsor for the bill and his staff are here to present the bill.

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REPRESENTATIVE ROKEBERG moved to adopt CSHB 181, Version I.

REPRESENTATIVE KOTT said, that hearing no objection, the bill was before the committee.

KAREN LISTER, staff, Representative Coghill, introduced the bill and said that this bill was created to eliminate the problems that returning military men and women have with fulfilling statutory requirements for professional licensing and continued education while serving on active duty. This bill gives them

the opportunity to make up the necessary requirements. In the bill, there is also given to the Department of Occupational Licensing, and the boards and commissions, the ability to waive the requirements until such time as it is possible for them to be made up.

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MS. LISTER said that the major change that came out of the previous Military and Veterans Affairs committee was that instead of including only individuals in the National Guard and Reserves, it would include all individuals on active duty military. This came as a result of realizing that state licenses are also held by fulltime soldiers and sailors. It has a zero fiscal note.

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REPRESENTATIVE ROKEBERG asked if this means if you are a member of the [military] Alaskan National Guard, and you are sent overseas, the license requirements are put on hold until this duration of time is over. The bill does not stipulate what branch of service the individual is serving in, as long as you are on active duty.

MS. LISTER answered that this was correct.

REPRESENTATIVE KOTT asked if there were any other questions. He then closed public testimony and opened up committee discussion.

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REPRESENTATIVE ROKEBERG said that this was a good bill and that it was about time that the committee did something that actually went the other direction, that being the lessening of educational requirements and helping veterans.

REPRESENTATIVE LEDOUX moved to report CSHB 181, Version 24-LS0685\I out of committee with individual recommendations and zero fiscal notes.

REPRESENTATIVE KOTT stated that hearing no objection, CSHB 181 is passed out of committee.

**DEC proposed changes to the
Alaska Food
CodesDRAFT**

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[The transcripts for HB 243 are forthcoming.]

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the committee, the *
meeting was adjourned at *. [4:11:54 PM](#)