

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

March 6, 2007

1:05 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Representative Bob Roses, Chair
Representative Anna Fairclough
Representative Gabrielle LeDoux
Representative Robert L. "Bob" Buch

MEMBERS ABSENT

Representative Nancy Dahlstrom
Representative Jay Ramras
Representative Scott Kawasaki

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11

Relating to the increased authority granted to the President of the United States to federalize the National Guard of the individual states without the consent of the governors; and urging the United States Congress to take action to restore the sovereignty of the individual states to regulate and command the National Guard of the states.

- MOVED HJR 11 OUT OF COMMITTEE

PREVIOUS COMMITTEE ACTION

BILL: HJR 11

SHORT TITLE: STATE'S CONTROL OF NATIONAL GUARD

SPONSOR(S): REPRESENTATIVE(S) ROSES

02/28/07	(H)	READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS
02/28/07	(H)	MLV, STA
03/06/07	(H)	MLV AT 1:00 PM BARNES 124

WITNESS REGISTER

JOSH APPLEBEE, Staff
to Representative Bob Roses
Alaska State Legislature
Juneau, Alaska

POSITION STATEMENT: Presented HJR 11 on behalf of Representative Roses, sponsor.

ACTION NARRATIVE

CHAIR BOB ROSES called the House Special Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs meeting to order at [1:05:16 PM](#). Representatives Buch, Fairclough, LeDoux, and Roses were present at the call to order.

HJR 11-STATE'S CONTROL OF NATIONAL GUARD

CHAIR ROSES announced that the only order of business would be HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11, Relating to the increased authority granted to the President of the United States to federalize the National Guard of the individual states without the consent of the governors; and urging the United States Congress to take action to restore the sovereignty of the individual states to regulate and command the National Guard of the states.

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JOSH APPLEBEE, Staff to Representative Bob Roses, Alaska State Legislature, on behalf of Representative Roses, sponsor, informed the committee that HJR 11 is a statement to the U.S. Congress and the President of the United States that declares that State of Alaska does not support relinquishing the control of its National Guard to presidential authority. The John Warner National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007 gives the federal government authority over a state's National Guard in times of natural disaster, epidemic or other serious public health emergency, or terrorist attack, or incident. The aforementioned presidential authority to regulate and command the National Guard was granted without the consent of the state's governor or its legislature. House Joint Resolution 11 urges the reversal of this action, and its purpose is supported by the governors of all fifty states.

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REPRESENTATIVE LEDOUX moved to report HJR 11 out of committee with individual recommendations and the accompanying fiscal notes. There being no objection, HJR 11 was reported out of the House Special Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the committee, the House Special Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs meeting was adjourned at 1:08 p.m.