

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
SENATE JUDICIARY STANDING COMMITTEE

May 13, 2007

2:09 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Senator Hollis French, Chair
Senator Bill Wielechowski
Senator Gene Therriault

MEMBERS ABSENT

Senator Charlie Huggins, Vice Chair
Senator Lesil McGuire

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

SENATE BILL NO. 168

"An Act providing a credit for the payment of certain municipal passenger taxes or fees against the excise tax on travel aboard commercial passenger vessels; and providing for an effective date."

MOVED SB 168 OUT OF COMMITTEE

PREVIOUS COMMITTEE ACTION

BILL: SB 168

SHORT TITLE: PASSENGER VESSEL TAX CREDIT

SPONSOR(S): FINANCE

05/02/07	(S)	READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS
05/02/07	(S)	FIN
05/04/07	(H)	FIN AT 1:30 PM HOUSE FINANCE 519
05/04/07	(S)	Heard & Held
05/04/07	(S)	MINUTE(FIN)
05/07/07	(S)	FIN RPT 2DP 5NR
05/07/07	(S)	DP: STEDMAN, ELTON
05/07/07	(S)	NR: HOFFMAN, THOMAS, DYSON, HUGGINS, OLSON
05/07/07	(S)	FIN AT 9:00 AM SENATE FINANCE 532
05/07/07	(S)	Moved SB 168 Out of Committee
05/07/07	(S)	MINUTE(FIN)
05/09/07	(S)	JUD REFERRAL ADDED
05/12/07	(S)	JUD AT 2:00 PM BUTROVICH 205
05/12/07	(S)	JUD AT 5:15 PM BUTROVICH 205
05/12/07	(S)	Heard & Held

05/12/07 (S) MINUTE(JUD)
05/13/07 (S) JUD AT 2:00 PM BUTROVICH 205

WITNESS REGISTER

ACTION NARRATIVE

CHAIR HOLLIS FRENCH called the Senate Judiciary Standing Committee meeting to order at [2:09:26 PM](#). Present at the call to order were Senators Therriault, Wielechowski, and Chair French.

SB 168-PASSENGER VESSEL TAX CREDIT

CHAIR FRENCH announced the consideration of SB 168.

[2:09:58 PM](#)

SENATOR THERRIAULT said that regarding discussion the previous day regarding building infrastructure in communities, it won't be possible to apply the funds in question to the communities. Testimony had been heard about support for the bill from communities that will benefit from the tax; whether or not passage of the bill will result in communities imposing their own head taxes, the will of the people is still honored. Having a better understanding of the math, he is comfortable forwarding the bill to the floor.

He then made a motion to move SB 168 from committee with individual recommendations and attached fiscal note(s). There being no objection, the motion carried.

SENATOR WIELECHOWSKI said that he won't object to moving the bill to the floor but he thinks it is unconstitutional and will vote no on ultimately passing it.

There being no further business to come before the committee, Chair French adjourned the meeting at [2:12:45 PM](#).