

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
SENATE TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE

May 3, 2007

1:31 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Senator John Cowdery, Vice Chair
Senator Donny Olson
Senator Gary Wilken

MEMBERS ABSENT

Senator Albert Kookesh, Chair
Senator Bill Wielechowski

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18(TRA)
Opposing the enactment of the provisions in the Next Generation Air Transportation System Financing Reform Act of 2007 that impose air traffic control user fees, increase aviation fuel and aviation gas taxes, reduce airport funding, and reduce Congressional oversight of the Federal Aviation Administration.

MOVED SCS CSHJR 18(TRA) OUT OF COMMITTEE

PREVIOUS COMMITTEE ACTION

BILL: HJR 18

SHORT TITLE: OPPOSE FED AVIATION FUEL TAX INCREASE

SPONSOR(S): REPRESENTATIVE(S) JOHANSEN

04/05/07	(H)	READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS
04/05/07	(H)	TRA
04/12/07	(H)	TRA AT 1:30 PM CAPITOL 17
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04/12/07	(H)	MINUTE(TRA)
04/19/07	(H)	TRA AT 1:30 PM CAPITOL 17
04/19/07	(H)	Moved CSHJR 18(TRA) Out of Committee
04/19/07	(H)	MINUTE(TRA)
04/20/07	(H)	TRA RPT CS(TRA) NT 5DP
04/20/07	(H)	DP: FAIRCLOUGH, DOOGAN, NEUMAN, KOHRING, JOHANSEN
04/24/07	(H)	TRANSMITTED TO (S)
04/24/07	(H)	VERSION: CSHJR 18(TRA)
04/25/07	(S)	READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS
04/25/07	(S)	TRA

05/01/07 (S) TRA AT 1:30 PM BUTROVICH 205
05/01/07 (S) Heard & Held
05/03/07 (S) TRA AT 1:30 PM BUTROVICH 205

WITNESS REGISTER

SONIA CHRISTENSEN, Staff
Representative Kyle Johansen
Alaska State Legislature
Juneau, Alaska

POSITION STATEMENT: Presented HJR 18 on behalf of Representative Johansen, sponsor.

ACTION NARRATIVE

CHAIR JOHN COWDERY called the Senate Transportation Standing Committee meeting to order at [1:31:11 PM](#). Senators Wilken, Olson, and Cowdery were present at the call to order.

HJR 18-OPPOSE FED AVIATION FUEL TAX INCREASE

CHAIR COWDERY announced HJR 18 to be the only order of business. [Before the committee was CSHJR 18(TRA).]

SENATOR OLSON moved to adopt the Senate Committee Substitute (CS) for HJR 18, labeled 25-LS0830\K as the working document. Hearing no objections, Version K was before the committee.

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SONIA CHRISTENSEN, Staff to Representative Kyle Johansen, Alaska State Legislature, said HJR 18 opposes sections of the Next Generation Air Transportation System Financing Reform Act that imposes air traffic control user fees, increases aviation fuel taxes by \$0.50 per gallon, reduces airport funding by \$1 billion, and reduces congressional oversight of the FAA. She noted one change in the CS on page 1, line 11, where the word "registered" was replaced by "licensed".

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SENATOR OLSON moved the Senate CS for HJR 18, labeled 25-LS0830\K, from committee with individual recommendations and accompanying fiscal notes. Hearing no objections, SCS CSHJR 18(TRA) passed from committee.

The committee adjourned at [1:33:41 PM](#).