

27TH ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE  
SECOND SESSION  
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HB 284 and HB 285  
April 13, 2012  
3:03 p.m.

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hoffman called the Conference Committee meeting on HB 284 and HB 285 to order at 3:03 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senate:

Senator Lyman Hoffman, Chair  
Senator Bert Stedman  
Senator Joe Thomas

House:

Representative Bill Thomas, Vice-Chair  
Representative Bill Stoltze  
Representative Les Gara

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

ALSO PRESENT:

David Teal, Director, Legislative Finance Division; fiscal analysts with the Office of Management and Budget and Legislative Finance Division; and aides to committee members and other members of the Legislature.

SUMMARY

HB 284      APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS

HB 284 was HEARD and HELD in Committee for further consideration.

HB 285      APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET

HB 285 was HEARD and HELD in Committee for further consideration.

DEPARTMENTS:

Department of Administration  
Department of Commerce, Community and Economic  
Development  
Department of Corrections

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CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 284(FIN)

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and

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 285(FIN)

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."

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"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."

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DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

Vice-chair Thomas MOVED to ADOPT the chair's recommendation on the following items for the Department of Administration:

Item 4 - Senate.

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered. The action closed all conferencable items in the budget for the Department of Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Vice-chair Thomas MOVED to ADOPT the chair's recommendation on the following items for the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development:

Item 2 - Senate; Items 3 through 6 - House; Item 7 - Senate minus \$50,000; Items 8 through 15 - Senate; Items 16 through 21 - House.

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

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DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Vice-chair Thomas MOVED to ADOPT the chair's recommendation on the following items for the Department of Corrections:

Items 1 through 3 - House; Items 4 through 6 - Senate; Items 7 and 8 - House; Item 9 - Senate plus \$2,174,000; Item 10 - Senate; Item 11 - House.

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered. The action closed all conferencable items in the budget for the Department of Corrections.

Chair Hoffman reported that the next scheduled meeting would be posted on the following day.

Senator Stedman asked Louanne Christian, House and Senate Finance Committee Assistant to stand and read a statement in recognition of her upcoming retirement and her 27 years of service to the committees. He remembered that when he and Senator Hoffman had become Senate Finance Committee co-

chairs there had been restructuring and Ms. Christian had been put in charge of both the House and Senate Finance Committee assistant/secretary teams in order to synchronize their working relationship and make information more accessible to the public. He expressed that Ms. Christian would be missed and thanked her for her work.

Ms. Christian replied that she would miss the committee as well.

Chair Hoffman echoed Senator Stedman's comments.

Co-Chair Thomas thanked Ms. Christian on behalf of the House Finance Committee.

HB 284 was HEARD and HELD in Committee for further consideration.

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ADJOURNMENT

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The meeting was adjourned at 3:09 p.m.