

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES

February 13, 2014

10:16 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Representative Paul Seaton, Chair
Representative Eric Feige
Representative Kurt Olson
Representative Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins

MEMBERS ABSENT

Representative Lynn Gattis
Representative Bob Herron
Representative Craig Johnson

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 204

"An Act relating to a product development tax credit for certain salmon and herring products; and providing for an effective date."

- MOVED SSHB 204 OUT OF COMMITTEE

HOUSE BILL NO. 201

"An Act relating to the application of non-aerial pesticides and broadcast chemicals near fish habitat or water for human consumption, and in public places."

- SCHEDULED BUT NOT HEARD

PREVIOUS COMMITTEE ACTION

BILL: HB 204

SHORT TITLE: SALMON & HERRING PRODUCT DEV'T TAX CREDIT

SPONSOR(S): REPRESENTATIVE(S) AUSTERMAN

04/11/13	(H)	READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS
04/11/13	(H)	FSH, FIN
02/05/14	(H)	SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE INTRODUCED
02/05/14	(H)	READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS
02/05/14	(H)	FSH, FIN
02/06/14	(H)	FSH AT 10:00 AM CAPITOL 120
02/06/14	(H)	Heard & Held

02/06/14 (H) MINUTE(FSH)
02/13/14 (H) FSH AT 10:00 AM CAPITOL 120

WITNESS REGISTER

REPRESENTATIVE ALAN AUSTERMAN
Alaska State Legislature
Juneau, Alaska

POSITION STATEMENT: Offered to answer questions, during the hearing on SSHB 204, as Prime Sponsor.

JOHN "VINCE" O'SHEA, Lobbyist
Pacific Seafood Processors Association
Juneau, Alaska

POSITION STATEMENT: Testified in support of SSHB 204.

ACTION NARRATIVE

[10:16:46 AM](#)

CHAIR PAUL SEATON called the House Special Committee on Fisheries meeting to order at 10:16 a.m. Representatives Seaton, Kreiss-Tomkins, Olson, and Feige were present at the call to order. Representative Gattis was excused.

[10:17:04 AM](#)

HB 204-SALMON & HERRING PRODUCT DEV'T TAX CREDIT

CHAIR SEATON announced that the first order of business would be SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 204, "An Act relating to a product development tax credit for certain salmon and herring products; and providing for an effective date."

[10:17:33 AM](#)

REPRESENTATIVE ALAN AUSTERMAN, Alaska State Legislature, as prime sponsor, offered to take any questions on SSHB 204.

[10:18:13 AM](#)

JOHN "VINCE" O'SHEA, Lobbyist, Pacific Seafood Processors Association, stated support for SSHB 204, on behalf of the association which he represents, and urged passage of the bill.

CHAIR SEATON closed public testimony.

10:19:24 AM

CHAIR SEATON summarized the points of the bill, which were questioned in previous hearings. The consideration of a shore-based plant or vessel oriented is limited to state water fisheries; basically salmon and herring. Regarding freezing apparatus, the equipment would need to be used predominately in value added production; defined in Alaska Department of Fish & Game regulation as levels greater than 50 percent.

10:21:07 AM

REPRESENTATIVE FEIGE moved to report SSHB 204 out of committee with individual recommendations and the accompanying fiscal notes. There being no objection, SSHB 204 was moved from the House Special Committee on Fisheries.

The committee took an at-ease at 10:22 a.m.

10:23:08 AM

CHAIR SEATON announced that, due to lack of representation, further docketed legislation could not be heard at this time.

10:23:19 AM

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the committee, the House Special Committee on Fisheries meeting was adjourned at 10:22 a.m.