

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
2nd CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HB 71
February 12, 2014
9:02 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Representative Lance Pruitt, Chair
Representative Gabrielle LeDoux
Representative Scott Kawasaki

Senator John Coghill, Chair
Senator Peter Micciche
Senator Berta Gardner

MEMBERS ABSENT

All members present

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

HOUSE BILL NO. 71

"An Act extending the termination date of the Alaska regional economic assistance program; and providing for an effective date."

- FAILED TO MOVE HB 71 OUT OF COMMITTEE

PREVIOUS COMMITTEE ACTION

BILL: HB 71

SHORT TITLE: AK REGIONAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

SPONSOR(S): REPRESENTATIVE(S) HUGHES

01/16/13	(H)	READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS
01/16/13	(H)	L&C, FIN
02/18/13	(H)	L&C AT 3:15 PM BARNES 124
02/18/13	(H)	Heard & Held
02/18/13	(H)	MINUTE(L&C)
03/04/13	(H)	L&C AT 3:15 PM CAPITOL 106
03/04/13	(H)	Scheduled But Not Heard
03/05/13	(H)	L&C AT 8:00 AM BARNES 124
03/05/13	(H)	-- Meeting Continued from 3/4/13 --
03/07/13	(H)	L&C RPT CS(L&C) 1DP 5NR
03/07/13	(H)	DP: JOSEPHSON
03/07/13	(H)	NR: MILLETT, REINBOLD, HERRON, CHENAULT, OLSON
03/18/13	(H)	FIN AT 1:30 PM HOUSE FINANCE 519

03/18/13 (H) Moved CSHB 71(FIN) Out of Committee
 03/18/13 (H) MINUTE(FIN)
 03/20/13 (H) FIN RPT CS(FIN) NT 10DP 1AM
 03/20/13 (H) DP: T.WILSON, EDGMON, THOMPSON, NEUMAN,
 MUNOZ, HOLMES, COSTELLO, GARA, STOLTZE,
 03/20/13 (H) AUSTERMAN
 03/20/13 (H) AM: KAWASAKI
 03/27/13 (H) TRANSMITTED TO (S)
 03/27/13 (H) VERSION: CSHB 71(FIN)
 03/28/13 (S) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS
 03/28/13 (S) L&C, FIN
 04/04/13 (S) L&C AT 5:00 PM BELTZ 105 (TSBldg)
 04/04/13 (S) Heard & Held
 04/04/13 (S) MINUTE(L&C)
 04/06/13 (S) L&C RPT 2DP 1NR
 04/06/13 (S) DP: DUNLEAVY, MICCICHE
 04/06/13 (S) NR: STEDMAN
 04/06/13 (S) L&C AT 9:00 AM BELTZ 105 (TSBldg)
 04/06/13 (S) Moved CSHB 71(FIN) Out of Committee
 04/06/13 (S) MINUTE(L&C)
 04/11/13 (S) FIN RPT SCS 4DP 3NR NEW TITLE
 04/11/13 (S) DP: OLSON, HOFFMAN, FAIRCLOUGH, BISHOP
 04/11/13 (S) NR: KELLY, MEYER, DUNLEAVY
 04/11/13 (S) FIN AT 9:00 AM SENATE FINANCE 532
 04/11/13 (S) Scheduled But Not Heard
 04/11/13 (S) FIN AT 1:30 PM SENATE FINANCE 532
 04/11/13 (S) Moved SCS CSHB 71(FIN) Out of Committee
 04/11/13 (S) MINUTE(FIN)
 04/12/13 (S) VERSION: SCS CSHB 71(FIN)
 04/13/13 (H) CONCUR MESSAGE
 04/13/13 (H) CONFERENCE COMMITTEE APPOINTED
 04/13/13 (H) HUGHES (CHAIR), JOHNSON, TARR
 04/13/13 (H) HB71 AT 8:30 PM BARNES 124
 04/13/13 (H) -- MEETING CANCELED --
 04/14/13 (S) RECEDE MESSAGE READ
 04/14/13 (S) CONFERENCE COMMITTEE APPOINTED
 04/14/13 (S) STEDMAN (CHAIR), EGAN, FRENCH
 04/14/13 (H) CONFERENCE COMMITTEE DISCHARGED
 04/14/13 (H) HB71 AT 10:00 AM BARNES 124
 04/14/13 (H) Failed To Move Out Of Committee
 04/14/13 (H) MINUTE(HB71)
 01/24/14 (H) 2D CONFERENCE COMMITTEE APPOINTED
 01/24/14 (H) PRUITT (CHAIR), LEDOUX, KAWASAKI
 01/29/14 (S) 2D CONFERENCE COMMITTEE APPOINTED
 01/29/14 (S) COGHILL (CHAIR), GARDNER, MICCICHE
 02/03/14 (H) HB71 AT 9:45 AM BARNES 124
 02/03/14 (H) -- MEETING CANCELED --

02/12/14

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HB71 AT 9:00 AM CAPITOL 17

WITNESS REGISTER

No witnesses to record

ACTION NARRATIVE

9:02:45 AM

CHAIR LANCE PRUITT called the 2nd Conference Committee on HB 71 meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Representatives Kawasaki, LeDoux, and Pruitt, and Senators Micciche, Gardner, and Coghill were present at the call to order.

HB 71-AK REGIONAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

9:03:06 AM

CHAIR PRUITT announced that the only order of business would be HOUSE BILL NO. 71, "An Act extending the termination date of the Alaska regional economic assistance program; and providing for an effective date." He noted that the committee would be operating under Uniform Rule 42, Conference and Free Conference Committees, and [has convened to resolve the differences between CSHB 71(FIN), which has passed the House, and SCS CSHB 71(FIN), which has passed the Senate].

9:03:25 AM

REPRESENTATIVE LEDOUX moved that the 2nd Conference Committee on HB 71 adopt Sections 1-5 of CSHB 71(FIN) as a Conference Committee Substitute (CCS).

CHAIR COGHILL objected.

A roll call vote was taken. Representatives Kawasaki, LeDoux, and Pruitt voted in favor of the adoption of Sections 1-5 of CSHB 71(FIN). Senator Micciche voted in favor of the adoption of Sections 1-5 of CSHB 71(FIN).

The committee took a brief at-ease.

CHAIR PRUITT requested that the aforementioned vote be voided.

A roll call vote was taken. Representatives Kawasaki, LeDoux, and Pruitt voted in favor of the adoption of Sections 1-5 of

CSHB 71(FIN). Senators Micciche, Gardner, and Coghill voted against the adoption of Sections 1-5 of CSHB 71(FIN). Therefore, the motion to adopt Sections 1-5 of CSHB 71(FIN) failed to be adopted.

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CHAIR COGHILL moved that the 2nd Conference Committee on HB 71 adopt Sections 1-7 of SCS CSHB 71(FIN).

CHAIR PRUITT objected.

A roll call vote was taken. Representatives Kawasaki, LeDoux, and Pruitt voted in opposition to the adoption of Sections 1-7 of SCS CSHB 71(FIN). Senators Micciche, Gardner, and Coghill voted in favor of the adoption of Sections 1-7 of SCS CSHB 71(FIN). Therefore, the motion to adopt Sections 1-7 of SCS CSHB 71(FIN) failed.

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CHAIR COGHILL moved that the 2nd Conference Committee on HB 71 request limited powers of free conference from the presiding officers in order to work out the differences. There being no objection, the request for limited powers of free conference will be made.

CHAIR PRUITT pointed out that the memorandum requesting the limited powers of free conference states the specific points [Section 1, Section 5(b), Sections 6-8 of SCS CSHB 71(FIN)] for which the limited powers are requested.

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CHAIR COGHILL explained that the goal is to have two pieces of legislation work together, which requires obtaining powers of free conference. However, the conference committee must first obtain limited powers of free conference.

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CHAIR PRUITT explained that under the limited powers of free conference committee, the conference committee can adopt any language, dates, and effective dates. The goal is to act on the matter today.

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CHAIR PRUITT announced that the committee would recess to the call of the chair.

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CHAIR PRUITT reconvened the 2nd Conference Committee on HB 71 at 3:06 p.m. Representatives Pruitt, LeDoux, and Kawasaki, and Senators Coghill, Gardner, and Micciche were present at the call to order.

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REPRESENTATIVE LEDOUX moved that the 2nd Conference Committee on HB 71 adopt Sections 1-5 of CSHB 71(FIN) as a Conference Committee Substitute (CCS).

CHAIR COGHILL objected.

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A roll call vote was taken. Representatives Kawasaki, LeDoux, and Pruitt voted in favor of the adoption of Sections 1-5 of CSHB 71(FIN). Senators Micciche, Gardner, and Coghill voted against the adoption of Sections 1-5 of CSHB 71(FIN). Therefore, the motion to adopt Sections 1-5 of CSHB 71(FIN) failed to be adopted.

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CHAIR COGHILL moved that the 2nd Conference Committee on HB 71 adopt Sections 1-7 of SCS CSHB 71(FIN).

CHAIR PRUITT objected.

A roll call vote was taken. Representatives Kawasaki, LeDoux, and Pruitt voted in opposition to the adoption of Sections 1-7 of SCS CSHB 71(FIN). Senators Micciche, Gardner, and Coghill voted in favor of the adoption of Sections 1-7 of SCS CSHB 71(FIN). Therefore, the motion to adopt Sections 1-7 of SCS CSHB 71(FIN) failed.

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CHAIR COGHILL, being unable to agree on the limited powers of free conference, moved that the 2nd Conference Committee on HB

71 make request to the presiding officers for the committee to be discharged.

CHAIR PRUITT said, without objection, so moved. Further, he stated that letters of request for discharge of the committee would be presented to the presiding officers of both bodies of the legislature.

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SENATOR MICCICHE offered that the issue at hand has been a question of procedure not agreement. He stressed that as elected officials both bodies are working together without political standing or bias to handle the situation, but must first seek appropriate avenues to accomplish the task.

CHAIR PRUITT concurred that this is a procedural step towards agreement.

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CHAIR COGHILL interjected that lack of agreement did exist at the close of the first session of the 28th Alaska State Legislature, and opined that the current sentiment appears to be one of accord.

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CHAIR PRUITT thanked the participants.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the committee, the 2nd Conference Committee on HB 71, the meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.