

**ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
HOUSE RULES STANDING COMMITTEE**

April 17, 2015

4:02 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Representative Craig Johnson, Chair
Representative Kurt Olson, Vice Chair
Representative Mike Hawker
Representative Bob Herron
Representative Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins

MEMBERS ABSENT

Representative Mike Chenault
Representative Chris Tuck

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 16(ARC)

Expressing support for the Arctic Economic Council and the United States Arctic Economic Council delegation; requesting that the United States Congress express support for the Arctic Economic Council, for the chair of the Arctic Economic Council to be a resident of this state, and for the structure of the Arctic Economic Council leadership to mirror the rotation of the chair of the Arctic Council; and urging the United States Congress to empower residents of the state as partners in the Arctic Economic Council.

- MOVED HCS CSSJR 16(RLS) OUT OF COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 39(L&C)

"An Act repealing the film production tax credit; providing for an effective date by repealing the effective dates of secs. 31 - 33, ch. 51, SLA 2012; and providing for an effective date."

- BILL HEARING CANCELED

PREVIOUS COMMITTEE ACTION

BILL: SJR 16

SHORT TITLE: ARCTIC ECONOMIC COUNCIL

SPONSOR(S): SENATOR(S) MCGUIRE

02/25/15 (S) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS

02/25/15	(S)	ARC
03/19/15	(S)	ARC AT 11:15 AM BUTROVICH 205
03/19/15	(S)	Moved CSSJR 16(ARC) Out of Committee
03/19/15	(S)	MINUTE(ARC)
03/20/15	(S)	ARC RPT CS 4DP NEW TITLE
03/20/15	(S)	DP: MCGUIRE, GIESSEL, OLSON, STEVENS
04/01/15	(S)	TRANSMITTED TO (H)
04/01/15	(S)	VERSION: CSSJR 16(ARC)
04/02/15	(H)	READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS
04/02/15	(H)	EDA
04/02/15	(H)	EDA AT 11:45 AM BARNES 124
04/02/15	(H)	-- Meeting Rescheduled to 4/6/15 --
04/06/15	(H)	EDA AT 8:30 AM BARNES 124
04/06/15	(H)	-- Meeting Rescheduled to 4/7/15 --
04/07/15	(H)	EDA AT 9:00 AM BARNES 124
04/07/15	(H)	Moved CSSJR 16(ARC) Out of Committee
04/07/15	(H)	MINUTE(EDA)
04/08/15	(H)	EDA RPT 4DP
04/08/15	(H)	DP: TILTON, STUTES, ORTIZ, HERRON
04/17/15	(H)	RLS AT 4:00 PM CAPITOL 120

WITNESS REGISTER

ROBERT ERVINE, Staff
Representative Johnson
Alaska State Legislature
Juneau, Alaska

POSITION STATEMENT: Explained the changes embodied in Amendment 1 to CSSJR 16(ARC).

DONALD BULLOCK, Staff
House Majority
Representative Mike Chenault
Alaska State Legislature
Juneau, Alaska

POSITION STATEMENT: Testified on Amendment 1 to CSSJR 16(ARC).

JESSE LOGAN, Staff
Senator Lesil McGuire
Alaska State Legislature
Juneau, Alaska

POSITION STATEMENT: Testified that Senator McGuire views Amendment 1 to CSSJR 16(ARC) as a friendly amendment.

ACTION NARRATIVE

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CHAIR CRAIG JOHNSON called the House Rules Standing Committee meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. Representatives Olson, Hawker, Herron, Kreiss-Tomkins, and Johnson were present at the call to order.

SJR 16-ARCTIC ECONOMIC COUNCIL

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CHAIR JOHNSON announced that the only order of business would be CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 16(ARC), Expressing support for the Arctic Economic Council and the United States Arctic Economic Council delegation; requesting that the United States Congress express support for the Arctic Economic Council, for the chair of the Arctic Economic Council to be a resident of this state, and for the structure of the Arctic Economic Council leadership to mirror the rotation of the chair of the Arctic Council; and urging the United States Congress to empower residents of the state as partners in the Arctic Economic Council.

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REPRESENTATIVE OLSON moved to adopt Amendment 1, labeled 29-LS0605\H.3, Nauman, 4/17/15, which read:

Page 1, lines 5 - 6:

Delete **"urging the United States Congress to empower residents of the state as partners in"**

Insert **"encouraging the United States Congress to cooperate with the state on matters related to and under consideration by"**

Page 4, lines 8 - 9:

Delete **"urges the United States Congress to empower residents of the state as partners in"**

Insert **"encourages the United States Congress to cooperate closely with the state on all matters related to and under consideration by"**

CHAIR JOHNSON objected for discussion purposes.

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ROBERT ERVINE, Staff, Representative Johnson, Alaska State Legislature, explained that Amendment 1 removes the last resolve that urges Congress to empower residents as partners in the Arctic Economic Council and replaces it with language that encourages Congress to cooperate with the state on matters related to the Arctic Economic Council. Amendment 1, he further explained, also includes a technical conforming title change.

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DONALD BULLOCK, Staff, House Majority, Representative Mike Chenault, Alaska State Legislature, related that the purpose of Amendment 1 is clarify that the state speaks with one voice regarding international issues that relate to the Arctic Council. Therefore, Amendment 1 changes the language of CSSJR 16(ARC) to encourage Congress to cooperate closely with the state on all matters related to and under consideration by the Arctic Economic Council.

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JESSE LOGAN, Staff, Senator Lesil McGuire, Alaska State Legislature, speaking on behalf of the sponsor, Senator McGuire, informed the committee that Senator McGuire views Amendment 1 as a friendly amendment.

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CHAIR JOHNSON opened public testimony. He then inquired as to whether anyone wished to testify.

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CHAIR JOHNSON withdrew his objection to Amendment 1. There being no further objection, Amendment 1 was adopted.

CHAIR JOHNSON, upon determining no one wished to testify, closed public testimony.

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REPRESENTATIVE HERRON, speaking as the chair of the House Special Committee on Economic Development, Tourism, and Arctic Policy, noted his support for Amendment 1.

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REPRESENTATIVE OLSON moved to report CSSJR 16(ARC), as amended, out of committee with individual recommendations and the accompanying zero fiscal note. There being no objection, HCS CSSJR 16(RLS) was reported from the House Rules Standing Committee.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the committee, the House Rules Standing Committee meeting was adjourned at 4:06 p.m.