

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
SENATE JUDICIARY STANDING COMMITTEE

April 9, 2018

3:01 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Senator John Coghill, Chair
Senator Mia Costello
Senator Pete Kelly
Senator Bill Wielechowski
Senator Mike Shower

MEMBERS ABSENT

All members present

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to notice and consent before termination of a minor's pregnancy.

- MEETING RECESSED TO 4/10/18 9:00 AM

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 21

Urging the federal government to respect the authority of the state to regulate marijuana use, production, and distribution and to honor previous federal guidance on marijuana policy; and urging the federal government to reconsider its listing of marijuana as a schedule I controlled substance.

- MEETING RECESSED TO 4/10/18 9:00 AM

CS FOR SS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 44 (STA)

"An Act requiring a legislator to abstain from taking or withholding official action or exerting official influence that could benefit or harm an immediate family member or certain employers; and requiring a legislator to request to be excused from voting in an instance where the legislator may have a financial conflict of interest."

- MEETING RECESSED TO 4/10/18 9:00 AM

PREVIOUS COMMITTEE ACTION

BILL: SJR 14

SHORT TITLE: CONST. AM: PARENTAL CONSENT TO ABORTION

SPONSOR(s): SENATOR(s) OLSON

02/19/18 (S) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS
02/19/18 (S) JUD, FIN
03/02/18 (S) JUD AT 1:30 PM BELTZ 105 (TSBldg)
03/02/18 (S) Heard & Held
03/02/18 (S) MINUTE(JUD)
03/16/18 (S) JUD AT 1:30 PM BELTZ 105 (TSBldg)
03/16/18 (S) <Bill Hearing Canceled>
03/23/18 (S) JUD AT 1:30 PM BELTZ 105 (TSBldg)
03/23/18 (S) -- MEETING CANCELED --
04/04/18 (S) JUD AT 1:30 PM BELTZ 105 (TSBldg)
04/04/18 (S) <Bill Hearing Canceled>
04/06/18 (S) JUD AT 1:30 PM BELTZ 105 (TSBldg)
04/06/18 (S) -- MEETING CANCELED --
04/09/18 (S) JUD AT 1:30 PM BELTZ 105 (TSBldg)

BILL: HJR 21

SHORT TITLE: FEDS RESPECT STATE REG OF MARIJUANA

SPONSOR(s): REPRESENTATIVE(s) GUTTENBERG

04/16/17 (H) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS
04/16/17 (H) JUD
05/12/17 (H) STA REPLACES JUD REFERRAL
05/12/17 (H) BILL REPRINTED 5/12/17
05/16/17 (H) STA AT 3:00 PM GRUENBERG 120
05/16/17 (H) -- MEETING CANCELED --
02/05/18 (H) SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE INTRODUCED
02/05/18 (H) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS
02/05/18 (H) STA
02/13/18 (H) STA AT 3:15 PM GRUENBERG 120
02/13/18 (H) Heard & Held
02/13/18 (H) MINUTE(STA)
02/15/18 (H) STA AT 3:15 PM GRUENBERG 120
02/15/18 (H) Moved SSHJR 21 Out of Committee
02/15/18 (H) MINUTE(STA)
02/16/18 (H) STA RPT 1DP 5NR 1AM
02/16/18 (H) DP: KREISS-TOMKINS
02/16/18 (H) NR: TUCK, BIRCH, KNOPP, WOOL, JOHNSON
02/16/18 (H) AM: LEDOUX
03/19/18 (H) TRANSMITTED TO (S)
03/19/18 (H) VERSION: SSHJR 21
03/21/18 (S) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS

03/21/18 (S) JUD
04/04/18 (S) JUD AT 1:30 PM BELTZ 105 (TSBldg)
04/04/18 (S) Scheduled but Not Heard
04/09/18 (S) JUD AT 1:30 PM BELTZ 105 (TSBldg)

WITNESS REGISTER

No witnesses

ACTION NARRATIVE

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CHAIR JOHN COGHILL called the Senate Judiciary Standing Committee meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. Present at the call to order were Senators Costello, Shower, and Chair Coghill.

SJR 14-CONST. AM: PARENTAL CONSENT TO ABORTION

[Contains discussion of SJR 1.]

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CHAIR COGHILL announced the consideration of SJR 14 and advised that he would take as much public testimony as time allows. He solicited a motion to adopt the draft CS and said he would object for an explanation.

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SENATOR COSTELLO moved to adopt the work draft CS for SJR 14, version 30-LS1472\D, as the working document.

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SENATOR WIELECHOWSKI objected.

CHAIR COGHILL stated that his staff would explain the changes in the CS and the sponsor could say whether he agrees with it.

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SENATOR WIELECHOWSKI clarified his objection saying a motion to report SJR 1 from committee was on the table from the meeting on Saturday.

CHAIR COGHILL advised that SJR 1 had been discharged from committee under Uniform Rule 48(b).

SENATOR WIELECHOWSKI said his reading of the rule was that the bill would not be discharged until the fourth day.

CHAIR COGHILL restated that the bill had been discharged.

SENATOR WIELECHOWSKI said if SJR 1 was discharged then [HB 214 - Bree's law] was discharged which means a finance referral could not be added.

CHAIR COGHILL said he'd have his staff check on the disposition of the bills [that were scheduled for the meeting last Saturday]. He asked Senator Wielechowski if he maintained his objection.

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SENATOR WIELECHOWSKI said yes, he was maintaining his objection.

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At ease

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CHAIR COGHILL reconvened the meeting and advised that he needed legal advice on the viability of Senator Wielechowski's motion and the disposition of SJR 1 before moving forward.

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CHAIR COGHILL recessed the Senate Judiciary Standing Committee meeting to a call of the chair.

[The meeting was reconvened on 4/10/18 at 9:00 a.m.]