

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

April 1, 2019

9:02 a.m.

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CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chair von Imhof called the Senate Finance Committee meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Senator Natasha von Imhof, Co-Chair  
Senator Bert Stedman, Co-Chair  
Senator Lyman Hoffman  
Senator Peter Micciche  
Senator Donny Olson  
Senator Mike Shower  
Senator David Wilson

MEMBERS ABSENT

Senator Click Bishop  
Senator Bill Wielechowski

ALSO PRESENT

Juli Lucky, Staff, Senator Natasha von Imhof

SUMMARY

SB 16 ALCOHOL LIC:FAIRS,THEATRES,CONCERTS;BONDS

CSSB 16(FIN) was REPORTED out of committee with a "no recommendation" recommendation and with one forthcoming fiscal note from Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development; and one previously published zero fiscal note: FN 2(REV).

SB 61 COMM FISHERMEN'S FUND:VESSEL OWNER CLAIMS

SB 61 was REPORTED out of committee with a "do pass" recommendation and with one previously published fiscal impact note: FN 1(LWF).

#sb61

SENATE BILL NO. 61

"An Act relating to claims against protection and indemnity insurance policies of vessel owners."

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Co-Chair von Imhof relayed that Senate Finance heard the bill on March 27, 2019, public testimony was taken, and the fiscal note was reviewed. Her office received no amendments and heard no concerns.

Senator Micciche MOVED to report SB 61 out of Committee with individual recommendations and the accompanying fiscal note. There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

SB 61 was REPORTED out of committee with a "do pass" recommendation and with one previously published fiscal impact note: FN 1(LWF).

#sb16

SENATE BILL NO. 16

"An Act relating to certain alcoholic beverage licenses and permits; and relating to the bond requirement for certain alcoholic beverage license holders."

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Co-Chair von Imhof relayed that the committee had heard the bill on March 8, 2019, public testimony had been taken and the fiscal note had been reviewed.

Senator Wilson MOVED to ADOPT proposed committee substitute for SB 16, Work Draft 31-LS0283\G (Bruce, 3/28/19).

Co-Chair von Imhof OBJECTED for discussion.

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JULI LUCKY, STAFF, SENATOR NATASHA VON IMHOF, discussed the proposed committee substitute for SB 16. She explained that the bill had been crafted in the attempt to remedy a situation where licenses had been given outside the

statutory authority, an audit had found that the board had given some licenses that had not met the statutory definition. Statutory definitions had since been created for each of the licenses in question, but there were some licenses that were hard to categorize.

Ms. Lucky read from an Explanation of Changes document (copy on file):

Adds a new "musical festival permit" that would allow a restaurant or eating place license holder to serve beer and wine at an annual music festival. This is limited to one festival lasting 10 days or less per year. [Section 9; also conforming changes in sections 1, 10, 12]

Adds a grandfather clause to allow recreational site licenses to be renewed or transferred if they were valid on December 31, 2018 and are operating according to the terms of their license but were subsequently determined by the board to not meet the statutory definition of "recreational site license." A retroactive effective date and transitional language has been added to ensure that licenses can be reinstated and renewed if they expired between December 31, 2018 and the bill's effective date. [Sections 5, 16 and 18]

Increases the number of special events permits that can be granted to a nonprofit fraternal, civic, or patriotic organization to 12 per year (current limit is five). [Section 8]

Reworded the language in section 15 at the request of the department. The changes do not affect the intent of the section.

Technical changes to remove obsolete language in sections 8, 10, 17

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Ms. Lucky continued to address the Explanation of Changes:

Removes the requirement that a nonprofit organization be active for a period of at least 10 years before filing an application for a fair license [v. U page 4, lines 3-4]

Removes the limit of one fair license per borough [v. U sections 8 and 9]

Ms. Lucky explained that no additional cost was expected; however, as the new permits came online, additional revenue could be generated. She had requested updated forthcoming fiscal notes.

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Co-Chair von Imhof WITHDREW her objection. There being NO further OBJECTION, it was so ordered. The CS for SB 16(FIN) was ADOPTED.

Senator Micciche thanked Co-Chair von Imhof's staff for their work. He thought the intent of the bill was to support operating businesses.

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Senator Wilson MOVED to report CSSB 16(FIN) out of Committee with individual recommendations and the accompanying fiscal notes. There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

CSSB 16 was REPORTED out of committee with a "no recommendation" recommendation and with one forthcoming fiscal note from Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development; and one previously published zero fiscal note: FN 2(REV).

Co-Chair von Imhof discussed housekeeping.

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ADJOURNMENT

[9:13:00 AM](#)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 a.m.

