

31ST ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HB 39 and HB 40
May 13, 2019
5:43 p.m.

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Foster called the Conference Committee meeting on HB 39 and HB 40 to order at 5:43 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

House:

Representative Neal Foster, Chair
Representative Tammie Wilson
Representative Cathy Tilton

Senate:

Senator Bert Stedman, Vice-Chair
Senator Natasha Von Imhof
Senator Donny Olson

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

ALSO PRESENT:

David Teal, Director, Legislative Finance Division; fiscal analysts with the Office of Management and Budget and Legislative Finance Division; and aides to committee members and other members of the Legislature.

SUMMARY

HB 39 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS

HB 39 was HEARD and HELD in committee for further consideration.

HB 40 APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET

HB 40 was HEARD and HELD in committee for further consideration.

Co-Chair Foster reviewed the agenda for the meeting.

#HB39

#HB40

CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 39(FIN) am(brf sup maj fld)

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; amending appropriations; making supplemental appropriations; and providing for an effective date."

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"An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; amending appropriations; making supplemental appropriations and reappropriations; and providing for an effective date."

and

CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 40(FIN)

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR SS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 40(FIN)

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."

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Co-Chair Foster invited David Teal, Director of the Legislative Finance Division, to come to the testifier table.

He explained how objections would be handled. If there was an objection, he would make note of that Item and hold it aside. The committee would continue to go through the other Items in the department, adopt them, and then would come back to any Item that had an objection.

In the present meeting the committee would be addressing open items in HB 39 and HB 40 based on the motion sheets distributed to members earlier and dated May 13th for the following departments:

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
DEPARTMENT OF LAW
DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES
UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA
DEBT SERVICE ITEMS
FUND CAPITALIZATIONS

^DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT

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Co-Chair Stedman MOVED to ADOPT the following in the Department of Education and Early Development budget:

Item 10 House

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered. The action CLOSED conferencable Item 10 the Department of Education and Early Development budget.

^DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

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Co-Chair Stedman MOVED to ADOPT the following in the Department of Fish and Game budget:

Item 15 Senate plus \$140,000
Item 19 Senate
Item 22 Senate plus \$39,300
Item 23 House

Item 28 Senate

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered. The action CLOSED conferencable Item 15, 19, 22, 23, and 28 in the Department of Fish and Game budget.

^OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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Co-Chair Stedman MOVED to ADOPT the following in the Office of the Governor budget:

Item 4 House

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered. The action CLOSED conferencable Item 4 in the Office of the Governor budget.

^DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

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Co-Chair Stedman MOVED to ADOPT the following in the Department of Health and Social Services budget:

Item 1 Senate
Item 2 Senate \$25 million to \$15 million
Item 9 House
Item 18 House
Item 20 House

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered. The action CLOSED conferencable Items 1, 2, 9, 18, and 20 in the Department of Health and Social Services budget.

^DEPARTMENT OF LAW

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Co-Chair Stedman MOVED to ADOPT the following in the Department of Law budget:

Item 1 Senate
Item 3 Senate

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered. The action CLOSED conferencable Items 1 and 3 in the Department of Law budget.

^DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

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Co-Chair Stedman MOVED to ADOPT the following in the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs budget:

Item 1	Senate plus \$75,000
Item 6	Senate

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered. The action CLOSED conferencable Items 1 and 6 in the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs budget.

^DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

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Co-Chair Stedman MOVED to ADOPT the following in the Department of Public Safety budget:

Item 1	Senate
Item 2	House with revised wordage
Item 11	House

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered. The action CLOSED conferencable Items 1, 2, and 11 in the Department of Public Safety budget.

^DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES

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Co-Chair Stedman MOVED to ADOPT the following in the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities budget:

Item 12	Senate
Item 28	Senate
Item 29	Senate

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered. The action CLOSED conferencable Items 12, 28, and 29 in the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities budget.

^UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA

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Co-Chair Stedman MOVED to ADOPT the following in the University of Alaska budget:

Item 1	House
Item 2	Senate
Item 3	Senate
Item 4	Senate
Item 5	Senate

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered. The action CLOSED conferencable Items 1 through 5 in the University of Alaska budget.

^DEBT SERVICE ITEMS

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Co-Chair Stedman MOVED to ADOPT the following in the Debt Service portion of the budget:

Item 1	Senate minus \$2 million
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There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered. The action CLOSED conferencable Item 1 in Debt Service.

^FUND CAPITALIZATIONS

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Co-Chair Stedman MOVED to ADOPT the following in the Fund Capitalization portion of the budget:

Item 3	Senate
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There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered. The action CLOSED conferencable Item 3 in Fund Capitalization.

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RECONVENED

Vice-Chair Stedman MOVED to REOPEN Debt Service. He MOVED to ADOPT the following in the Debt Service portion of the budget:

Item 1	Line 1	Senate minus 2 million
	Line 2	Senate

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered. The action CLOSED conferencable Item 1 in Debt Service. He clarified that under Fund Capitalizations, choosing the Senate meant funding school debt reimbursement and REAA [Regional Educational Attendance Area] funding at 100 percent.

Co-Chair Foster concluded the business for the committee hearing. Once the next meeting date and time was determined, the meeting would be noticed on BASIS.

Co-Chair Stedman MOVED to ADJOURN. There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

HB 39 was HEARD and HELD in committee for further consideration.

HB 40 was HEARD and HELD in committee for further consideration.

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ADJOURNMENT

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The meeting was adjourned at 5:58 p.m.