

"An Act making a supplemental appropriation to the Office of the Governor, Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission; and providing for an effective date."

2/4/75

COMMITTEE REPORT

FINANCE

HOUSE

Mr. Speaker:

Date

Feb 5, 1975

The Committee on FINANCE Resources has had SB 27 am

under consideration. A Majority of the members of the Committee

- recommends it DO PASS
- recommends it DO NOT PASS
- recommends it DO PASS WITH ATTACHED AMENDMENT(S)
- recommends it BE REPLACED WITH CS FOR \_\_\_\_\_ AND THAT CS FOR \_\_\_\_\_ DO PASS
- "and" recommends it BE REFERRED TO THE \_\_\_\_\_ COMMITTEE
- reports it back WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION
- "other"

Members signing the Majority report:

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Members NOT concurring in the Majority report:

<u>[Signature]</u>	recommends:	<u>[Signature]</u>
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[Signature] Chairman

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MAJORITY HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

ON

SENATE BILL NO. 87

The House Finance Committee voted on February 5, 1975 to move Senate Bill 87 out of Committee. Even though the Committee gave this measure a "Do Pass" recommendation, individual committee members expressed concern as to whether the additional temporary help and contractual services financed by the supplemental appropriation could possibly provide the assistance needed by potentially eligible fishermen throughout the State in making application for commercial salmon fisheries entry permits before the imminent March 18, 1975 deadline.

Testimony before the Committee on Senate Bill 87 indicated that a considerable number of potentially eligible Alaskans have not made application and will need assistance in making application for these permits (there are forty-one pages of instructions and twenty pages of forms). Out of 11,300 Request-for-Application forms mailed out by the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission, only 2,600 or 23% have been returned to the Commission. The novelty of the regulations so recently adopted, and the complexity of the application procedures, together with a language barrier for many of the potential applicants, all point to the critical need to provide meaningful information and assistance to all potentially eligible applicants.

The Committee has serious reservations that the limited time remaining will be sufficient for the task at hand. Accordingly, the Committee respectfully requests the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission to consider immediately an extension of the March 18 deadline.

In this instance, the Committee was asked to approve a supplemental appropriation because the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission's forms are so complicated that most of the persons affected cannot fill them out without professional assistance. This Committee looks with disfavor upon the failure of the Commission to anticipate such a problem; however the Committee is of the opinion that the affected fishermen are the parties entitled to primary consideration.

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Hugh Malone, Chairman  
House Finance Committee

Introduced: 1/28/75  
Referred: Resources and  
Finance

1 IN THE SENATE

BY POLAND AND MELAND

2 SENATE BILL NO. 87 am

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act making a supplemental appropriation to the  
7 Office of the Governor, Alaska Commercial Fisheries  
8 Entry Commission; and providing for an effective date."

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

10 \* Section 1. The sum of \$50,000 is appropriated from the general fund to  
11 the Office of the Governor, Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission, to  
12 provide assistance to eligible applicants in applying for entry  
13 permits.

14 \* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with  
15 AS 01.10.070(c).

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