

HB

890

"An Act relating to cooperative resource management or development agreements; and providing for an effective date."

# COMMITTEE REPORT

3/31/76

HOUSE

JUDICIARY

Mr. Speaker:

Date 4-21-76

The Committee on RESOURCES has had HB 890

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)

(X) recommends it BE REPLACED WITH CS FOR HB 890 AND THAT

CS FOR HB 890 DO PASS

( ) "and" recommends it BE REFERRED TO THE \_\_\_\_\_

COMMITTEE

( ) reports it back WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

( ) "other" <sup>5</sup>

Members signing the Majority report:

<u>W. A. Anderson</u>	_____	_____
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_____	<u>W. G. Larson</u>	_____
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Members NOT concurring in the Majority report:

\_\_\_\_\_ recommends:

\_\_\_\_\_ recommends:

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\_\_\_\_\_ recommends:

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W. A. Anderson Chairman

# TELEGRAM

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CALISTA CORPORATION AFTER REVIEWING HB 890 IS SUPPORTIVE OF  
ITS INTENT GIVING STATE OF ALASKA EXPLICIT AUTHORITY TO  
GO INTO COOPERATIVE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT OR DEVELOPMENT OF  
AGGREEMENTS OF BOTH RENEWABLE AND NON-RENEWABLE RESOURCES  
IS COMMENDABLE

RAYMOND C CHRISTSEN CHAIRMAN OF BOARD CALISTA CORP

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April 15, 1976

Honorable Nels A. Anderson, Jr.  
Chairman  
House Resource Committee  
State of Alaska  
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Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Chairman Anderson:

We understand that the House Resource Committee will be holding a hearing tomorrow on HB 890, "An Act relating to cooperative resource management development agreements; and providing for an effective date."

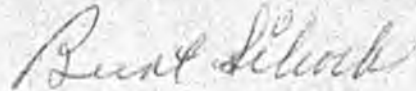
Without regard to the technical aspects of this bill or the question which has been raised about the existing authority of certain State officials to consummate cooperative agreements, we are writing to communicate our belief that appropriate State officials should be vested with authority to enter into cooperative management agreements with adjoining landowners and other parties. The land ownership pattern in Alaska is growing ever more complex as a consequence of the implementation of the Alaska Statehood Act and the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. Lands owned by the Federal government, the State, Native corporations, and other parties lie adjacent to each other in tracts the boundaries of which do not necessarily take cognizance of the biotic and other resources found on such lands. This intermixture of land ownership and the somewhat arbitrary location of certain boundaries often jeopardize prudent land management and use.

Given this situation, we believe that adjacent landowners including the custodians of the State public domain and the resources found there, must have the authority to enter into cooperative resource management agreements. Such authority would facilitate the coordinated and consistent management of fish and game which know no man-made boundaries. In addition, the authority to enter into cooperative management agreements would help facilitate the efficient management and use of renewable and nonrenewable resources located on adjoining lands. Through such agreements, fragmented decisionmaking, with all of the deleterious consequences

resulting therefrom, could be avoided. As a result, each of the parties to an agreement would be benefited, and the resource would be managed more rationally.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on HB 890. If we can be of any subsequent assistance in your evaluation of this legislation, please let us know.

Sincerely,



Burton W. Silcock  
Federal Co-Chairman

Sincerely,



Walter B. Parker  
State Co-Chairman

cc: Senator Kay Poland

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April 14, 1976

The Honorable Nels Anderson, Chairman  
House Resource Committee  
House of Representatives  
Pouch V  
Juneau, Alaska 99811

RE: H. B. 890

Dear Honorable Anderson:

Reference is made to H. B. 890, a proposed legislation relating to cooperative resource management or development agreements; and providing for an effective date.

Our office has reviewed H. B. 890 and as a result has one concern. That is, we feel that, in order to insure that public interest is protected, we suggest that the word "that" be substituted for the present word "whether" on line 21 of Sec. 38.05-025.

Other than this one expressed concern we are supportive of the intent of H. B. 890. If this bill is passed, it will give explicit authority, rather than implied authority, to the State of Alaska to go into cooperative resource management or development agreements with the federal government and/or private corporations. This is a very wise move and your committee should be commended for its ability to look at both short and long range utilization of Alaska resources, both renewable and non renewable.

Sincerely,



Nelson Angapak

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## DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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April 15, 1976

Honorable Nels Anderson, Chairman  
Resources Committee  
Alaska House of Representatives  
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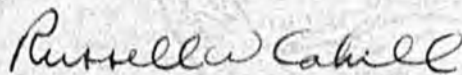
Dear Nels:

Guy Van Doren has asked me to comment on HB 890, "An Act relating to cooperative resource management or development agreements; and providing for an effective date." Although the bill has not undergone thorough legal review by the Department, I can comment on its usefulness in park management.

I concur with the basic intent of the bill and with its specific guidelines with one exception. The exception is in Sec. 2 (b) on Page 1. I believe that an annual summary to the legislature would be an unnecessary addition of workload with no substantial benefits.

I believe that the Directors of the Divisions of Lands and Parks presently have the power to enter into agreements of this type. Perhaps a resolution of the legislature emphasizing the issue would be more appropriate. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this bill.

Sincerely,



Russell W. Cahill  
Director

CC: Commissioner Martin  
Mike Smith