

HB

248

COMMITTEE REPORT

SENATE

4/14/77

4/22/77

Date

Mr. President:

The Committee on ~~XXXXXX~~ Resources has had CSHB 248 (Fin)
Alaska Pipeline Commission
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 CSHB 248 and that
SCS for CSHB 248 do pass
- (and) recommends it be referred to the _____
committee
- reports it back without recommendation
- AND attaches a report of its intent
- (other) _____

MEMBERS SIGNING THE MAJORITY REPORT:

<u>Charles French</u>	<u>Do Pass</u>	_____
<u>Kate Meland</u>	<u>NO Rec</u>	_____
<u>John Hickey</u>	<u>DO PASS</u>	_____
<u>William D. _____</u>	<u>Do Pass</u>	_____

MEMBERS NOT CONCURRING IN THE MAJORITY REPORT:

_____ recommends: _____

_____ recommends: _____

_____ recommends: _____

R. Pollock
Chairman

SCS CSHB 248 (FINANCE)

The Senate Resources Committee substitute resolves the differences between the Pipeline Commission, the Attorney General's office, and the Alyeska Pipeline Company.

The Senate Committee substitute more clearly defines the regulatory and tariff setting authority of the Pipeline Commission. At the same time it removes the non-pipeline connected activities of affiliated interests from regulation and provides a certainty of at least a partial cash flow to the pipeline carrier during suspension of the filed tariff and the operation of a temporary tariff.

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SUMMARY OF BILL ANALYSIS

1. Brings the pipeline connected activities and property of affiliated interests under commission regulations. Non-pipeline connected activities of the affiliated interests are exempt.
2. Brings connections and interconnections under the commission's permit requirements.
3. Allows the commission to suspend the filed tariff for 18 months instead of only 6 months.
4. Clearly establishes the commission's authority to set a temporary tariff thus eliminating the contention that shipment of oil could not be accepted until a tariff was set.

5. Allows the collection of the filed tariff but stipulates that the difference between the filed tariff and the temporary tariff must be placed in escrow, or acceptably bonded in lieu thereof, until the tariff question is resolved. This provision protects the state's shipments and those of the other shippers while not forcing the pipeline carrier to operate without at least partial revenue.
6. Reiterates the requirement that records be kept at a place convenient to the commission.
7. Allows the commission the latitude of having a limited number of persons present during an investigatory hearing.
8. Gives the pipeline carrier ten calendar days to appeal a commission decision before the commission can appeal for judicial enforcement.
9. Makes the Act retroactive to July 1, 1976. This was acknowledged as proper by all parties.

April 28, 1977