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COMMITTEE REPORT  
SENATE

FURTHER:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. President:

The Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ has had \_\_\_\_\_

Act relating to the use of telegraph wire under the  
Administration Procedure Act.

under consideration and (a majority of the committee) (the committee)  
reports it back with the following recommendations:

- do pass  do not pass
- do pass with attached amendments(s)
- replace with CS for \_\_\_\_\_  same title
- new title
- and recommends \_\_\_\_\_
- AND attaches a "Letter of Intent"  New Fiscal Note
- reports it back without recommendation
- referred to the \_\_\_\_\_ Committee

MEMBERS SIGNING  
DO PASS

MEMBERS HAVING  
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CHAIRMAN

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Offered in the SENATE

By Ray ✓

TO: Senate Bill No. 111

Page 1, line 6, after "to"

Delete: "the use of teleconferencing" and

Insert: "public meetings and proceedings"

Page 2, line 2, following "school boards," insert:

"the University of Alaska,"

P.O. Box 80662  
Fairbanks, AK 99708

Senator Bill Ray  
Chairman  
Senate Judiciary Committee  
Pouch V  
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Senator Ray:

I'd like to call a matter to your attention that might perhaps be resolved by an amendment to SB 111 which relates to teleconferencing under the Administrative Procedure Act and which is referred to your committee.

As you may or may not be aware, the University of Alaska, in responding to a suit by George A. Geistauts, is contending that the Board of Regents and only the Board of Regents is covered by AS 44.62.310--the open meetings statute. The question may or may not be resolved in the resolution of the law suit over Prof. Geistauts' tenure case. I think it can and should be resolved by the Legislature.

Other bodies operate within the University that should be covered by the open meetings law. Obvious examples are the various campus and statewide assemblies, the student government organizations and their various committees. Perhaps less obvious examples are the various administrative and executive councils where important decisions are made governing local campuses and other operations of the university.

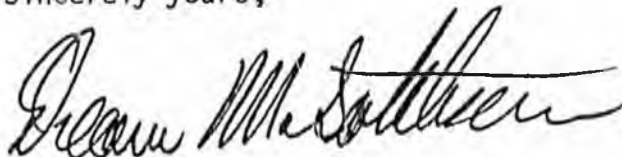
Among other contentions in his suit, Prof. Geistauts contends that the meeting of the Tenure Committee in his case should have been open to him under the statute. In response the university contends that the statute covers only the Board of Regents and its committees.

This situation could be greatly clarified with an amendment to SB 111 that would include the University of Alaska--not just the board of regents--in the definition of agencies covered by the open meetings act.

I urge you and your committee to make such an amendment to SB 111 and work for its passage in the full Senate.

In advance, thank you very much for your consideration and assistance. If there are any further questions I can answer, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dean M. Gottehrer". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Dean M. Gottehrer

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TO: CSSB 111 (SA)

Page 1, line 15, insert the following after "safeguards.":

Also, nothing in this Act is intended to supersede or affect in any way the provisions of article II of the Alaska Constitution, Title <sup>24</sup> of the Alaska Statutes, or the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature which govern the proceedings of the legislature.