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COMMITTEE REPORT
SENATE

6/9/83

FURTHER:

Date: 1-17-83

Mr. President:

The Committee on State Affairs has had SB 310
Establishing 'Bob Bartlett Day' on April 20 of each year.

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 SB 310 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
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Tom Kelly

Bob Kay

W. Fisher

CHAIRMAN



Alaska State Legislature

Senate Committee on State Affairs

Vic Fischer, Chair • Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99811
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Official Business

COMMITTEE REPORT

January 17, 1983
3:00pm

Butrovich room
Capitol Building

Members Present:

- Senator Vic Fischer, Chair
- Senator Pat Rodey
- Senator Tim Kelly
- Senator Arliss Sturgulewski
- Senator Bill Ray

The meeting was called to order at 3:05pm

SB 353 Presidential primary

Lieutenant Governor Stephen McAlpine reviewed this and other bills repealing the presidential primary election. He outlined a number of reasons why the primary election should be repealed. He gave reasons why section 2 of the bill should be deleted. The Lieutenant Governor suggested that one of those reasons was the possibility of section 2 inviting a law suit.

Senator Vic Fischer asked what would happen to the remaining funds that had been appropriated to hold the election.

Lt. Governor Stephen McAlpine said they would probably lapse into the general fund.

Senator Ray stated that he supports the idea of a presidential primary, but that some voters must change their party affiliation which makes the election undesirable.

Lieutenant Governor McAlpine related some of the problems concerning ballot secrecy and the election. He said that many voters will forfeit their ballot secrecy because their party will have only one candidate.

Senator Vic Fischer expressed his concern that the state is giving the public the right to vote in the primary and then taking away that right.

Senator Ray moved that a new section be added to lapse any unexpended moneys to the general fund.

Senator Vic Fischer said that without any objection the new section would replace section 2 of the original bill.

Senator Tim Kelly related his disappointment that Alaska will not have a primary.

The bill was moved out of committee as amended.

SB 341 Statutory references to the time zone

Mirt Charney, Director of the Legislative Affairs Agency, reviewed the bill. He said SB 341 was a housecleaning bill bringing the statutes up to date by replacing Pacific with Alaska standard time zone.

Senator Bill Ray made a motion to move the bill out of committee with individual recommendations.

The bill was moved out of committee.

SB 310, SB 311 establishing Bob Bartlett and Earnest Gruening Day

Senator Vic Fischer gave a brief statement on these bills.

Senator Sturgulewski moved to delete sentence 2 and 3 from SB 311.

The 3rd sentence was also deleted from SB 310.

Committee substitutes for these two bills were moved out of committee with individual recommendations.

SCR 32 World Food Day

Senator Vic Fischer gave a brief statement on this resolution.

Senator Tim Kelly made a motion to include "be encouraged to" between state and participate on pg. 2, line 1.

A committee substitute was adopted making the changes above.

Senator Pat Rodey made a motion to move the resolution out of committee.

The resolution was moved out of committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senate State Affairs Committee

FROM: Senate State Affairs Committee Staff

RE: SB 310, Bob Bartlett Day

DATE: January 17, 1983

This legislation would establish April 20th each year as 'Bob Bartlett Day.' It does not make April 20th a state holiday.

Enclosed as back-up is a letter of endorsement from the Governor.

BILL SHEFFIELD
GOVERNOR



STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
JUNEAU

January 16, 1984

The Honorable Victor Fischer
Alaska State Senate
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Dear Senator *VF* Fischer:

I support the passage of SB 310-establishing Bob Bartlett Day on April 20 of each year and SB 311-establishing Ernest H. Gruening Day on February 6 of each year.

These two Alaskans were instrumental in Alaska's pursuit of statehood and I would be pleased to sign legislation setting aside a day to honor Bob Bartlett and Ernest Gruening.

Sincerely,

Bill

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Governor Bill Sheffield
Pouch A
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Oct. 3, 1983

Dear Governor Sheffield;

Currently in the Senate State Affairs Committee which I chair are SB 310-- establishing April 20 as Bob Bartlett day, and SB 311-- creating Ernest Gruening day on February 6. I would appreciate your support and written endorsement on these two bills to facilitate their movement during the opening days of the upcoming session.

Recognition of these two statespersons will create an atmosphere of democratic unity while honoring two of the most well known Alaskan public servants.

Thanks as usual for your time and attention.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Vic Fischer".

Senator Vic Fischer

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Suzanne -

I spoke to Marilyn Twitchel
who, under Ray Gillespie,
handles Legis. Correspondence
for the Gov. They have
not responded to the Oct. 3
letter & can't locate it. In
a meeting w/ Emil, he said
that he had spoken to Vic
about the bills & that is
evidently the reason that
they did not respond. I
left it that we would
either ✓ w/ vic or re-
send them the letter

Noted

I appreciate your invitation to comment on S.B. 310 and S.B. 311. Unable to appear personally before your Committee today, I offer the following:

It is appropriate that those two men, Bob Bartlett and Ernest Gruening, be honored at the same time and in the same way by the Alaska Legislature .

They were political contemporaries for 29 years during a period of incredible change for Alaska, change which they shaped and influenced in great measure.

They were strikingly different men - in background, in personality, in style, and in their effect on people. That they coincided in time, in chance combination, sharing similar goals for Alaska yet differing profoundly while working together, was a modern phenomenon.

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Each was his own man, individual and independent, and each in his own way made an incalculable contribution to Statehood's attainment. They operated so differently that today, with time's passage, it would be difficult to say that Statehood could have been achieved when it was but for the impact of each on Alaska and the Nation. Sam Rayburn spoke indirectly to that; but he spoke from his own experience in his own context - and in that context he was correct. In fairness, however, he hadn't observed so intimately the full range of the years' long effort that led to Statehood.

This body will honor itself in honoring those two men in the way proposed in the bills under consideration.

Respectfully,

Burke Riley

Introduced: 6/9/83
Referred: State Affairs

1 1. THE SENATE

BY V.FISCHER

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SENATE BILL NO. 310

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5

A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing 'Bob Bartlett Day' on April 20
7 of each year."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 44.12 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 Sec. 44.12.055. BOB BARTLETT DAY. Bob Bartlett Day is
11 established on April 20 of each year to honor E.L. "Bob" Bartlett, the
12 "architect of Alaska statehood", for a lifetime of public service to
13 Alaska and the nation. [Undeated in 21 territorial and state
14 elections, Bob Bartlett sponsored more than 200 bills that were
15 enacted into law; a record that remains unchallenged in the United
16 States Congress. Bob Bartlett's political strength at home and in
17 Congress was basic decency, human compassion, and personal modesty.]
18 Bob Bartlett Day may be observed by suitable observances and exercises
19 by civic groups and the public.

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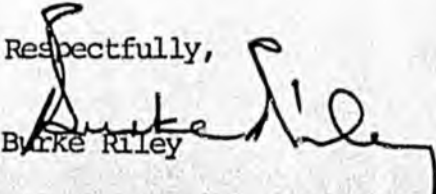
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