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SCR 32 cont'd

and so, CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 32 (SA) passed the Senate and was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

## SENATE RESOLUTIONS IN SECOND READING

SJR 43

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 43 (Fairbanks as the nominee for the site of the 1988 Arctic Winter Games) which was held from March 6, was before the Senate in second reading.

Senator Halford moved and asked unanimous consent that SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 43 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. Without objection, it was so ordered.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 43 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 43 (Fairbanks as the nominee for the site of the 1988 Arctic Winter Games) pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

## SJR 43 3RD

Yeas:	18	Abood, Bennett, Coghill, DeVries, Eliason, Fahrenkamp, Faiks, Ferguson, Fischer Paul, Fischer Vic, Halford, Josephson, Kelly, Kerttula, Ray, Rodey, Sturgulewski, Ziegler
Nays:	0	
Absent:	2	Sackett, Zharoff

and so, SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 43 passed the Senate and was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

## SECOND READING OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

HCR 9

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 (Whittier-Shotgun Cove Access) was read the second time.

HCR 9 cont'd

Senator Faiks moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Finance Senate Committee Substitute offered on page 1997. Senator Ray objected.

Senator Kelly moved and asked unanimous consent that HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 be returned to the Rules Committee. Without objection, HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 was returned to the Rules Committee.

## CITATIONS

Honoring - Larry Meyer  
by Senators Rodey and Faiks

In Memoriam - Andrew O. Lahti  
by Senators Rodey, Vic Fischer, Kerttula,  
Sturgulewski and Halford  
Representative Jenkins

Senator Halford moved and asked unanimous consent that the citation calendar be adopted. Without objection, the citations were adopted and referred to the Secretary for transmittal.

Senator Halford moved and asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and the notice and publication requirements be waived and that the citation In Memoriam - Martha Haggard be made a special order of business. Without objection, it was so ordered.

## SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

In Memoriam - Martha Haggard  
by Senators Fahrenkamp, Bennett, Halford and  
Coghill  
Representative Koponen

Senator Halford moved and asked unanimous consent that the citation be adopted. Without objection, the citation was adopted and referred to the Secretary for transmittal.



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STATE OF ALASKA  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
JUNEAU

February 14, 1985

Mr. Donald R. Scott  
Executive Vice President  
Chugach Alaska Corporation  
Chugach Alaska Building  
3000 A Street, Suite 400  
Anchorage, AK 99503

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I wish you all the best in the development of these facilities. We will be happy to help in any way we can within the parameters of the State's greatly-reduced revenue flow this year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bill Sheffield".

Bill Sheffield  
Governor

Mr. Donald R. Scott

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February 14, 1985

cc: Rep. Bette Cato

Commissioner Dick Knapp  
Department of Transportation  
and Public Facilities

Perry Davis, Executive Director  
Alaska Municipal Bond Bank Authority

Bert Wagon, Executive Director  
Alaska Industrial Development  
Authority



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STATE OF ALASKA  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
JUNEAU

February 14, 1985

Ms. Mary Lee Brown  
City Manager  
City of Whittier  
P. O. Box 608  
Whittier, AK 99693

Dear *Ms. Lee* Brown:

I enjoyed the opportunity of meeting with you and discussing the Shotgun Cove highway project and boat harbor development for the Whittier area.

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Authority

Ted Forsi, Consultant

# Native Consensus On Claims Act Changes ???

The Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN) met last week to review eight amendments to the Native Claims Settlement Act. The amendments are designed to increase financial and legal protection for the more than 200 Native Corporations which administer 44 million acres of land and resources and nearly \$1 billion in revenues awarded Alaska Natives through the 1971 settlement act. Once passed by the federation, the amended package is sent to Congress for recommended congressional action in amending the 1971 law.

## Seeking Consensus

The recent AFN 'special' convention just held in Anchorage, sought to hammer out a consensus on these changes among the 12 native regional corporations and the 200 village corporations, representing a quite diverse and complex interests. A key point in deliberations has also been to interject some 'process' in achieving these changes that includes the 'say' of all these factions.

For example, corporations would like to maintain a control though their own by-laws where they might retain the option of 'including or excluding' provisions of the new congressional provisions. Meetings were slow to progress at the recent convention because of concern as to whether village concerns were fairly represented. A motion to delay voting until reports on the status of natives and their corporations were completed later this year was defeated by a large margin. On the second day of the convention, Bethel area delegates left the meetings after a bid to give final say on proposed amendments to villagers failed. Eventually, the delegates returned when the convention adopted language that seeks to guarantee village consent before final endorsement of proposed amendments:

\* Adopted proposals are to be taken to villages for review before being sent to congress.

\* Villages shall be involved in decisions affecting the proposals "on an on-going basis."

\* If adopted by congress, villages want language that provides that 'they' must sign off provisions prior to the Act going to the president. The latter provision is unusual and is something that Congress is probably not likely to provide, although Congress may prove generally friendly to the issue of village involvement.

## The Amendments

Among passed amendments is a tax exemption for all land owned by Natives or Native Corporations. The existing act allows for taxation of developed lands and undeveloped lands after being held for 20 years. The taxation proposal affects tens of millions of dollars in real estate across Alaska, which is undeveloped and used primarily for subsistence and other non-renumerative uses.

Native owned developed real estate and properties are generally taxable. Among principal native-owned property is the Sheraton Anchorage Hotel, the Anchorage Westward-Hilton, the Settlers Bay residential development at Point MacKenzie and shares in producing natural gas wells in Cook Inlet. Also passed, was a "dissenters' rights" bill which allows disgruntled share holders to demand the corporation to buy out their shares. The proposals will be drafted into legislation, reviewed by villages, and regional corporations, and submitted to Congress, perhaps by June.

## Native 'Unity'

The element of 'unity' in approaching the Congress is critical, since a federal lawmakers, confused by 'differing' signals from the Alaska native community can simply opt to take very little interest in revision of the 1971 Alaska Native Claims Act.

There is also present the danger that opening up the claims issue in the Congress can also 'open' Alaska lands issues again.

# ALASKA NEWS SUMMARY

FIGHT FOR INFANTRY: Anchorage and Fairbanks leaders are feuding for the newest Army infantry division in Alaska. The reward is high: the Army says that the troops, stationed near one of the two cities, will bring along a \$72.5 million annual payroll and about 3,300 new residents. Fairbanks is most in need of the economic boost and has vacant facilities ready at Wainwright. However, such an addition would be a heavy burden for the city and adjustments might cause problems. To-date, Anchorage does not need the economic infusion, but could absorb the burden better. And, in light of a weakening economy, lower oil prices, less state spending and possible cuts in oil company spending, Anchorage may enjoy the economic shot in a year or so -- when the troops would actually arrive. Senator Stevens has vocalized his preference for a Fairbanks location. Senator Murkowski of Fairbanks is paying coy, but observers say he's really for a Fairbanks site, as is Don Young.

BRISTOL BAY OIL LEASE DEBATE: Hearings in congress have begun on whether to continue a moratorium on drilling in certain areas of Bristol Bay. Governor Sheffield and Alaska fishing interests seek a delay of several years for more studies of drilling impact in the fish-rich bay. The Alaska Support Industry Alliance believes that further delay may undermine Alaska's economy by 1990 as production declines at Prudhoe Bay. Chuck Becker, vice president of the Alliance, is preparing to testify to a congressional panel that delays in the sale of the North Aleutian Basin will result in a measurable loss of job opportunities in Alaska. Industry representatives cite successful drilling in the North Sea where conditions are similar and the fishery resource has not been harmed.

ASPEN CHALLENGES STATE FOR UNDERSEA MINING PERMIT: The president of Aspen Exploration Corporation persists in his quest for an undersea mining permit in Cook Inlet. He pursues two documents, withheld from him by the state under executive privilege, which he believes would strengthen his allegation that permits were originally denied without proper findings or evidence.

*Here* WHITTIER ROAD TO NOWHERE: A \$19.2 million road from Whittier to Shotgun Cove, a nearby, unpopulated subdivision, was proposed before a highly critical House Transportation Committee. Pavement through the Alaska Railroad tunnel would provide low-cost access to the subdivision and render its development more feasible. Trains and cars would share the tunnel during the summer while use would be limited to trains during the winter months.

PAY 'N' SAVE MAY SELL STORES: Pay 'N' Save Corp., the sixth largest privately owned company in the state of Washington, may sell some of its 311 stores to reduce a \$370 million debt incurred during an ownership transfer.

HOST LIABILITY PLAN ABANDONNED: Governor Sheffield has decided not to propose legislation recommended by his Task Force on Drunken Driving that would impose Alaska's civil liability laws on social hosts who serve alcohol. The Department of Law deputy press secretary, Molly McCammon, advised that the Dept. "felt there could be some problems with it." However, the governor will follow one of the task force recommendations by submitting legislation which would change liability standards for vendors of alcoholic beverages. The change would require only proof of "ordinary" instead of "criminal" negligence in the serving of alcoholic beverages. Talk of this bill, even prior to submitted, has reportedly resulted in Alaska bar owners being unable to find liability insurance.

SJR 20

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Yeas:       36   Adams, Einkley, Boucher, Cato,  
                  Clocksin, Collins, Cotten, Davis,  
                  Duncan, Fuller, Furnace,  
                  Gruenberg, Grussendorf, Hanley,  
                  Herrmann, Hurley, Jenkins,  
                  Koponen, Larson, Martin,  
                  Miller, M.M., Miller, M.W., Navarre,  
                  Pearce, Phillips, Pignalberi,  
                  Pourchot, Rieger, Ringstad,  
                  Shultz, Sund, Szymanski, Taylor,  
                  Thompson, Uehling, Wallis

Nays:        3   Frank, Marrou, Pettyjohn

Excused:    1   Goll

Absent:     0

And so, SJR 20 passed the House.

Representative Cotten gave notice of reconsideration of his vote on SJR 20.

LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

Representative Clocksin moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citation In Memoriam - Sig Jaeger. There being no objection, the House approved the citation and it was referred to the Chief Clerk for enrollment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESSHB 364

The Speaker waived the Health, Education & Social Services Committee referral on HOUSE BILL NO. 364 (relating to commercial motor vehicle licensing and safety inspections; effective date). HB 364 is in the Transportation Committee with a further referral to the Finance Committee.

HR 9

Representative Marrou added his name as co-sponsor to HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 9 (relating to natural gas price increases).

HCR 9

The question being: "Shall HCR 9 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

## HCR 9

Yeas:	29	Adams, Binkley, Boucher, Cato, Clocksin, Collins, Cotten, Davis, Frank, Fuller, Furnace, Grussendorf, Herrmann, Koponen, Larson, Marrou, Miller, M.W., Navarre, Phillips, Pignalberi, Pourchot, Ringstad, Shultz, Sund, Szymanski, Taylor, Thompson, Uehling, Wallis
Nays:	10	Duncan, Gruenberg, Hanley, Hurley, Jenkins, Martin, Miller, M.M., Pearce, Pettyjohn, Rieger
Excused:	1	Goll
Absent:	0	

And so, HCR 9 passed the House.

Representative Davis gave notice of reconsideration of his vote on HCR 9.

SECOND READING OF SENATE RESOLUTIONSSJR 20

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20 (relating to federal funding for conservation programs) was read the second time with the Resources Committee report (page 836).

Representative Clocksin moved and asked unanimous consent that SJR 20 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

SJR 20 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SJR 20 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 59

Department of Natural Resources, division of parks, for the youth hostel loan fund; effective date); recommends it be replaced with COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 59 (Loans):

"An Act making a special appropriation to the Department of Natural Resources, division of parks, for youth hostel grants; and providing for an effective date."

and reports it back as follows: Sund (Chairman), Duncan, Fuller, Uehling and Cotten recommend do pass.

HB 59 was referred to the Resources Committee.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

The following citation was received:

In Memoriam - Larry L. Gourley, Advisory  
Project Manager, IBM Data Processing  
Division, Seattle, Washington  
by Representative Adams

The citation was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

INTRODUCTION. FIRST READING AND REFERENCE  
OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONSHCR 9

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 by Szymanski:

Relating to the Whittier-Shotgun Cove  
Access.

was read the first time and referred to the Transportation Committee.

HJR 18

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18 by Uehling, Jenkins, Pettyjohn and Collins:

Proposing amendments to the Constitution  
of the State of Alaska relating to  
election of the lieutenant governor.

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs, Judiciary and Finance Committees.

HB 133

The Transportation Committee has considered HOUSE BILL NO. 133 (providing authority for the Department of Public Safety to regulate safety of motor carrier and air carrier operations; effective date), recommends it be replaced with COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 133 (Transportation):

"An Act relating to transportation safety and financial responsibility; and providing for an effective date."

and reports it back as follows: Cato (Chairman), Pignalberi and Herrmann recommend do pass; Marrou recommends do not pass; Furnace, Davis and Shultz have no recommendation. A new fiscal note was attached.

HB 133 was referred to the Finance Committee.

The fiscal note appears in House Journal Supplement No. 20.

HB 157

The Judiciary Committee has considered HOUSE BILL NO. 157 (making corrective amendments to the Alaska Statutes as recommended by the revisor of statutes; effective date), recommends it be replaced with COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 157 (Judiciary) (same title) and reports it back as follows: M.M. Miller (Chairman), Gruenberg, Taylor and Clocksin recommend do pass. A zero fiscal note and a second sectional analysis of the bill were attached.

HB 157 appears on today's calendar.

The second sectional analysis of the bill appears in House Journal Supplement No. 20.

HB 180

The Judiciary Committee has considered HOUSE BILL NO. 180 (relating to the confidentiality of certain library records), recommends it be replaced with COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 180 (Judiciary) (same title) and reports it back as follows: M.M. Miller (Chairman), Gruenberg, Clocksin, Pettyjohn and Taylor recommend do pass. A zero fiscal note was attached.

HB 180 appears on today's calendar.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEESHB 59

The House Special Committee on State Loans has considered HOUSE BILL NO. 59 (making a special appropriation to the

Representative Frank - March 1 through plane time March 4, 1985.

Representative Furnace - from 5:00 p.m. February 22 through plane time February 25, 1985.

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

#### HCR 9

Representative Uehling added his name as co-sponsor to HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 (Whittier-Shotgun Cove Access).

#### HB 204

Representative Pignalberi added his name as co-sponsor to HOUSE BILL NO. 204 (special appropriation to the Alaska Housing Finance revolving loan fund for housing loans for the permanently disabled; effective date).

#### HB 212

Representative Uehling added his name as co-sponsor to HOUSE BILL NO. 212 (relating to the use of longevity bonus payments in determining adult public assistance; effective date).

#### HB 213

Representatives Szymanski and Pignalberi added their names as co-sponsors to HOUSE BILL NO. 213 (standards of conduct of legislators and legislative employees and to the select committee on legislative ethics; effective date).

### ENGROSSMENT AND ENROLLMENT

#### HB 124

HB 124 was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

CSHB 157(Jud)am

Representative M.M.Miller moved and asked unanimous consent that the reconsideration of COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 157 (Judiciary) amended (corrective amendments to the Alaska Statutes as recommended by the revisor of statutes; effective date) be held until February 25, 1985. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

Representative Clocksin moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citations on the calendar. There being no objection, the House approved the following citations:

In Memoriam - Larry L. Gourley

In Memoriam - Richard G. Kloop

which were referred to the Chief Clerk for enrollment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Representative Taylor asked that the citation Honoring Tiffany Tibbets be taken up as a Special Order of business at this time. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

SPECIAL ORDERS

Representative Taylor moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citation. There being no objection, it was so ordered and the citation was referred to the Chief Clerk for transmittal to the Senate.

Representative Clocksin moved and asked unanimous consent that the following members be excused from a call of the House:

Representative Collins - through plane time February 25, 1985.

Representative M.W.Miller - March 1 through plane time March 4, 1985.

COMMUNICATIONS

Notices of proposed changes in the regulations of the Alaska Board of Game, and of the Joint Board of Fisheries and Game, dated March 29, 1985, were received from Don W. Collinsworth, Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. Copies were placed on each members desk and are on file in the Chief Clerk's office.

Notices dated April 5, 1985, from the Department of Natural Resources were received, copies were distributed to each member and a copy is on file in the Chief Clerk's office on the following subjects:

Postponement, State of Alaska  
Competitive Oil and Gas Lease Sale 47  
(Kuparuk Uplands)

Final Decision and Finding Under AS  
38.05.035(e) Regarding Proposed Oil and  
Gas Lease Sale 45A (North Slope)

Proposed Oil and Gas Lease Sale 48A  
(Mikkelsen)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEESSB 18

The Finance Committee has considered SENATE BILL NO. 18 (establishing "William A. Egan Day" on October 8 of each year) and reports it back as follows: Adams (Chairman), Ringstad, Larson, Pourchot, Uehling, Binkley, Cotton, Rieger and Frank recommend do pass.

A zero fiscal note was attached.

SB 18 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

SB 52

The Finance Committee has considered SENATE BILL NO. 52 (special appropriation for the 1985 Iditarod sled dog race; effective date) and reports it back as follows: Adams (Chairman), Ringstad, Larson, Rieger, Frank, Binkley and Cotten recommend do pass. Pourchot has no recommendation.

SB 52 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

CSSB 94 (HESS) am

The Finance Committee has considered COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 94 (HESS) amended (increasing the excise tax on cigarettes; effective date), recommends it be replaced with HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 94 (Finance) (same title) and reports it back as follows: Adams (Chairman), Ringstad, Larson, Pourchot, Rieger, Frank, Binkley and Cotten recommend do pass.

CSSB 94 (HESS) am was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HCR 9

The Transportation Committee has considered HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 (Whittier-Shotgun Access) and reports it back as follows: Cato (Chairman), Pignalberi, Davis and Shultz recommend do pass.

HCR 9 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HB 42

The Community & Regional Affairs Committee has considered HOUSE BILL NO. 42 (disposal of state land within a community; effective date), recommends it be replaced with COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 42 (C&RA) (same title) and reports it back as follows: Goll (Chairman), Wallis, Koponen and Gruenberg recommend do pass. Phillips has no recommendation.

A zero fiscal note with an analysis was attached and appears in House Journal Supplement No. 45.

HB 42 was referred to the Resources Committee.

HB 88

The Health, Education & Social Services Committee has considered HOUSE BILL NO. 88 (protection of children; and amending Rules 504, 505 and 506, Alaska Rules of Evidence, and Rule 6(r), Alaska Rules of Criminal Procedures), recommends it be replaced with COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 88 (HESS):

"An Act relating to the protection of children; and amending Rules 504 and 505, Alaska Rules of Evidence."

and reports it back as follows: Koponen and Gruenberg (Co-Chairs), Hurley, Taylor, Thompson, Hanley and Pettyjohn recommend do pass.

FEB 8 1985

# ALASKA STATE SENATE

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TO: Senator Jalmar Kerttula  
Senator Edna DeVries  
Representative Bette Cato ✓  
FROM: Senator Joe Josephson  
DATE: February 7, 1985

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "J.P. Josephson", written over the "FROM" line of the letter.

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*Sen. resolution*  
*ask Gabe for*  
*copy of Bette's*  
*response if*  
*any*

I would appreciate any comments or suggestions you would have on the attached draft Whittier-Shotgun Cove Access resolution that I plan to introduce in the Senate.

Attachment

Draft - Josephson

X4525

WHITTIER-SHOTGUN COVE ACCESS RESOLUTION

WHEREAS Whittier is an increasingly important destination for tourists visiting Alaska, as shown by the increase of tour ships calling at Whittier and recreational concessionaires operating out of Whittier; and

WHEREAS Whittier is also of growing recreational importance to many Alaska residents who travel to Whittier each summer for water-related recreation, and who depend for this purpose upon access to and from Whittier; and

WHEREAS demand for Whittier harbor berths by recreational boaters far exceed the available harbor space; and

WHEREAS the plans to dispose of municipal lands between Whittier and Shotgun Cove for community expansion and recreation will increase interest in the Whittier area as a place to have a recreational home or live year-round; and

WHEREAS in 1984, over 200,000 persons visited Whittier, including travelers embarking or disembarking the Alaska State ferry system at Whittier; and

WHEREAS the Alaska Railroad has been acquired by the State, and transportation planning can go forward at the State level on a comprehensive and multimodal basis; and

WHEREAS the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities is examining alternatives and options for improving access to and from Whittier,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Legislature commends the Department for its ongoing examination of ways, and means, to improve transportation to and from Whittier, including the possible paving of one or both railroad tunnels between Portage and Whittier, and increased shuttle service by the Alaska Railroad,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

That the Legislature urges the Department to consider transportation planning for improved access to Whittier and between Whittier and Shotgun Cove as a matter of increasingly urgent priority, with a view to consideration of the Department's recommendations and possible action by this Fourteenth Alaska State Legislature.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

That the Legislature requests that the Alaska Railroad Corporation initiate increased summer shuttle service between Portage and Whittier during the interim period until the decision is made over permanent improvement.



## Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities

# Position Paper

BILL NUMBER 9

TITLE: Whittier to Shotgun Cove Access  
March 11, 1985

APPROVED:

*R. J. Knapp*  
Commissioner  
3/14/85

DATE:

The Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT/PF) appreciates the supportive comments for its work in investigating ways to improve transportation access to Whittier.

The Whittier to Shotgun Cove road is in the final stage of design. The Department is designing a 9.1 mile long road with a 26 foot wide gravel surface. The road traverses steeply inclined ground and therefore will require extensive rock excavation. The estimated project cost is \$19.2 million which includes right-of-way acquisition, utilities relocation at the Whittier end of the road and construction. If funding is appropriated this year, construction could begin in 1986.

The Portage to Whittier (Whittier Access) project is in the preliminary engineering phase which will evaluate alternatives and make recommendations on a road access into Whittier. The preliminary engineering evaluation will look at several alternatives: 1) a road from Bear Valley around Maynard Mountain, 2) a new tunnel which would accommodate automobiles; and, 3) improvements to the existing tunnel to allow both trains and vehicle traffic. A consultant has been hired to evaluate tunnel options and recommend an alignment through Maynard Mountain. The Department has begun work on the Environmental Impact Statement which will include the consultant's recommendations for the preferred tunnel alignment.

The current schedule for Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) approval of the Whittier Access project is as follows:

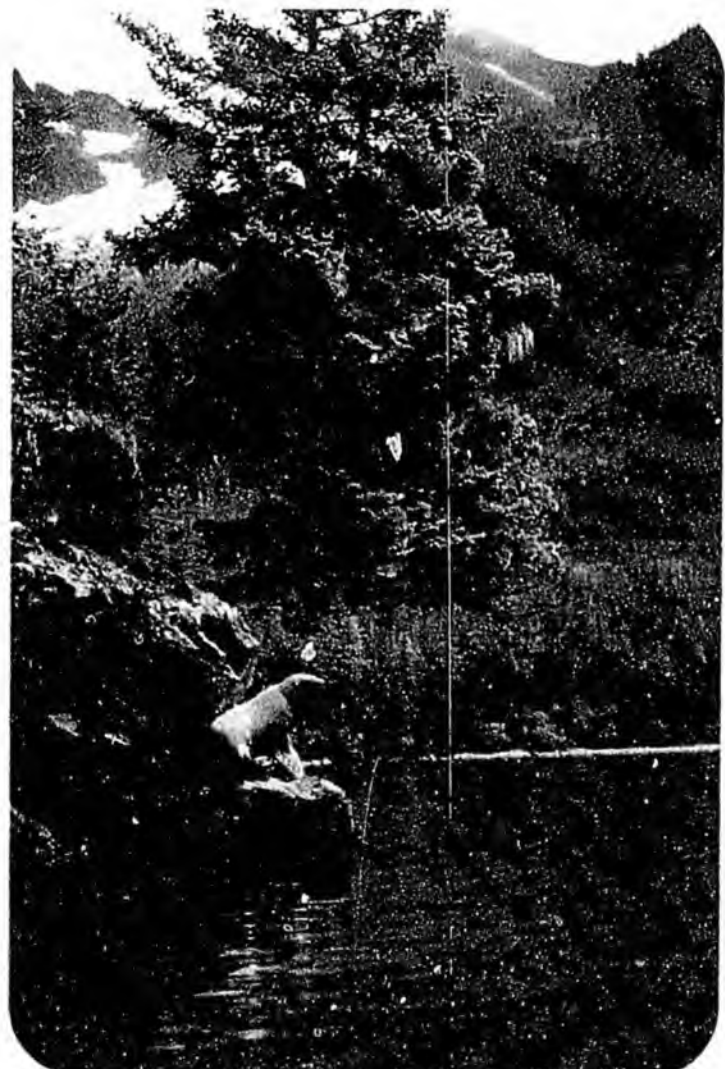
Consultant Contract completion	August, 1985
Draft Environmental Document	May, 1986
Approval to begin Design	December, 1986



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*Whittier, Alaska*

# Shotgun Cove Road



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## THE CITY OF WHITTIER

Shotgun Cove Road Development Office

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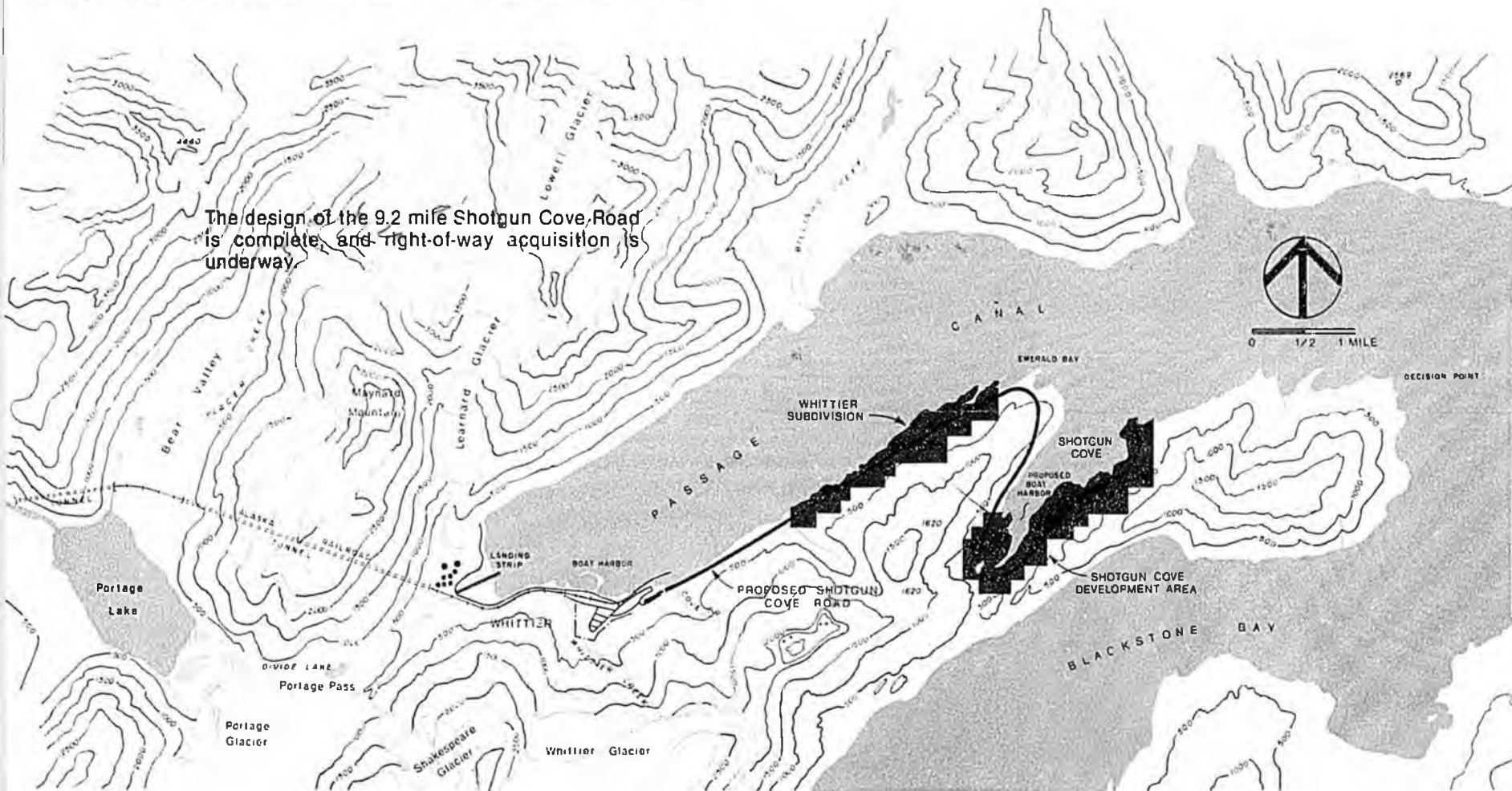
*Project Managers*  
**TED FORSI AND ASSOCIATES, INC.**  
810 East 9th Avenue, Suite 200  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501  
(907) 274-9517



Tourism is expanding dramatically in Prince William Sound. During 1983, seven tour boats docked in Whittier, 19 in 1984, and 34 are scheduled in 1985.

The construction of Shotgun Cove Road is vital to the total development of the City of Whittier. The road will provide convenient access to the proposed Shotgun Cove Small Boat Harbor, and to the proposed developments within Whittier Subdivision and Shotgun Cove Development area. The road will also provide a myriad of recreational and tourism related uses for the residents and visitors of Southcentral Alaska.

We can use your support. If you are in agreement with the need for construction of Shotgun Cove Road, please contact Gov. William Sheffield, or your legislators.



Halibut and salmon fishing, shrimping, and crabbing opportunities abound in Prince William Sound.



Existing Whittier Small Boat Harbor. There is presently a waiting list of 350 who wish to berth their boats in Whittier.

HCR 9 cont'd

Fiscal note is zero.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 was referred to the Rules Committee.

HJR 51

The Transportation Committee considered HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 51 (Coast Guard user fees) and a majority of the committee recommended do pass. The report was signed by Senator Coghill, Chairman and concurred in by Senators Abood, Faiks and Josephson.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 51 was referred to the Resources Committee.

HB 55

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 55 (FIN) am (liquor licensees' duty to contact taxis for patrons and to display alcohol warning signs) and recommended it be replaced with

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 55 (L&C)

and a majority do pass. The report was signed by Senator Zharoff, Chairman and concurred in by Senators Sackett, Eliason and Ray. Senator Bennett signed "no recommendation".

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 55 (FIN) am was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

HB 319

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 319 (L&C) (physical agents) and a majority of the committee recommended do pass. Senator Zharoff, Chairman, signed "no recommendation". Senators Sackett, Eliason, Bennett and Ray signed "do pass".

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 319 (L&C) was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 292 cont'd

SENATE BILL NO. 292 was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

SB 333

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 333 (changing the name of the Alaska State Housing Authority) and recommended do pass. The report was signed by Senator Zharoff, Chairman and concurred in by Senators Sackett, Eliason, Bennett and Ray.

SENATE BILL NO. 333 was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 458 *fixes w/ HB 611*

The Transportation Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 458 (air carrier) and a majority of the committee recommended do pass and recommended a further referral to the Finance Committee. The report was signed by Senator Coghill, Chairman and concurred in by Senators Abcod and Josephson. Senator Faiks signed "no recommendation".

President Bennett gave an additional referral to the Finance Committee.

SENATE BILL NO. 458 was referred to the Judiciary Committee and then the Finance Committee.

HCR 9 *file*

The Finance Committee considered HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 (Whittier-Shotgun Cove Access) and recommended it be replaced with

SENATE CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 (FIN),

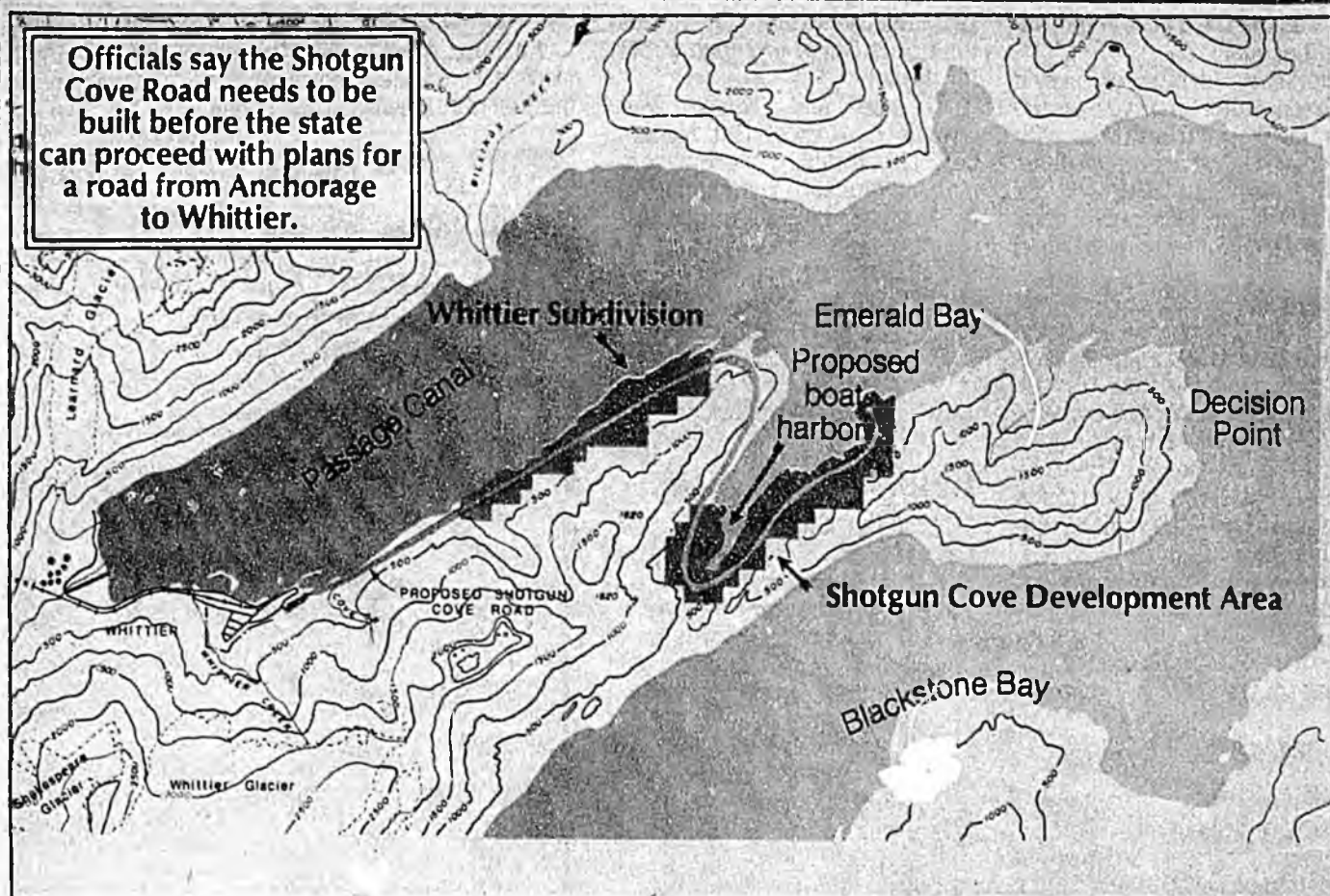
Relating to access to Whittier and to Shotgun Cove,

and a majority do pass. The report was signed by Senator Faiks, Co-Chairman and concurred in by Senators Paul Fischer, Ferguson and Sackett. Senators Kerttula and Eliason signed "no recommendation".

Senator Kerttula moved and asked unanimous consent that his recommendation be shown as "do pass". Without objection, it was so ordered.



Officials say the Shotgun Cove Road needs to be built before the state can proceed with plans for a road from Anchorage to Whittier.



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# Whittier seeks state funds to build \$20 million road

by Annette Taylor  
Times Business Writer

Whittier and Chugach Alaska Corp. officials are seeking \$20 million from the state to build a 9.2-mile road to Shotgun Cove, which they say would lead to millions of dollars in recreational, commercial and residential development in the Prince William Sound community.

Without the road, Whittier will remain confined on its 25 acres of downtown property and its 330-slip boat harbor, which has a waiting list of 350, will continue to be inadequate and "a mess in the summer," city manager Mary Lee Brown said.

In a press conference called Friday to garner public support for the road project, Ted Forsi acknowledged that few legislators are optimistic about an allocation this year for road construction. So the city and the native corporation will be lobby-

Boat owners fight shuttle rate hike  
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ing statewide in hopes of convincing the legislature of the long-term benefits of the project.

Forsi is president of Ted Forsi and Associates Inc., which surveyed and designed the road.

Forsi said road construction alone would employ upwards of 100 people over the two-year building period and "be a catalyst for millions of dollars in other construction" in the future.

Whittier plans to finance a new \$4-million, 1,000-slip small boat harbor at Shotgun Cove through revenue bonds, he said. The existing harbor, which was expanded a few years ago from 150 slips, cannot be expanded any further because of physical constraints of Whittier Creek, the Alaska

Ferry Dock and the deep water of Passage Canal, he said.

Chugach Alaska Corp. intends to develop its 100 acres in the Shotgun area for homes and businesses, including tourism facilities such as hotels and condominiums. Whittier, which was awarded title last year to 600 acres in the area, also plans to subdivide much of the property for homes, Forsi said.

Brown said the Shotgun Cove road needs to be built before the state proceeds with plans for a road from Anchorage to Whittier. Otherwise, she said, "we would have no room" for the thousands of additional visitors to Whittier.

Last year, the Alaska Railroad transported more than 80,500 passengers and nearly 20,000 vehicles to Whittier. Also last year, 19 cruise ships carrying nearly 22,500 passengers docked in Whittier.

CSHB 92 (Jud)

Representative Clocksin moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adopt the Judiciary Committee corrected letter of intent (page 740). There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 92 (Jud) was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

HCR 9

Representative Pearce brought up reconsideration of HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 (relating to the Whittier-Shotgun Cove Access).

SECOND READING OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

HCR 9 was read the second time.

The question to be reconsidered: "Shall HCR 9 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

## HCR 9 RECONSIDERATION

Yeas:	25	Binkley, Boucher, Clocksin, Collins, Cotten, Duncan, Frank, Fuller, Goll, Grussendorf, Herrmann, Jenkins, Larson, Miller, M.M., Miller, M.W., Navarre, Phillips, Pignalberi, Pourchot, Ringstad, Shultz, Sund, Szymanski, Taylor, Uehling
Nays:	13	Davis, Furnace, Gruenberg, Hanley, Hurley, Koponen, Marrou, Martin, Pearce, Pettyjohn, Rieger, Thompson, Wallis
Excused:	2	Adams, Cato
Absent:	0	

And so, HCR 9 passed the House on reconsideration and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

CSHB 92(Jud)

letter of intent (page 740). There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Clocksin gave notice of reconsideration of his vote on CSHB 92(Jud).

Representative Clocksin moved and asked unanimous consent that the reconsideration of CSHB 92(Jud) be taken up at this time.

Representative Martin objected and withdrew his objection. There being no further objection, it was so ordered.

THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS

CSHB 92(Jud) was read the third time.

The question to be reconsidered: "Shall CSHB 92(Jud) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 92(JUD) RECONSIDERATION

Yeas: 36 Binkley, Boucher, Clocksin,  
Collins, Cotten, Davis, Duncan,  
Frank, Fuller, Furnace, Goll,  
Gruenberg, Grussendorf, Hanley,  
Herrmann, Hurley, Jenkins,  
Koponen, Larson, Miller, M.M.,  
Miller, M.W., Navarre, Pearce,  
Pettyjohn, Phillips, Pignalberi,  
Pourchot, Rieger, Ringstad,  
Shultz, Sund, Szymanski, Taylor,  
Thompson, Uehling, Wallis

Nays: 2 Marrou, Martin

Excused: 2 Adams, Cato

And so, CSHB 92(Jud) passed the House on reconsideration.

Representative Clocksin moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Message of April 15 was read, stating the House passed:

FIRST READING AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

HCR 9

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 by Representatives Szymanski and Uehling,

Relating to the Whittier-Shotgun Cove Access,

was read the first time and referred to the Transportation Committee, the Labor and Commerce Committee and the Finance Committee.

FIRST READING AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 92

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 92 (JUD) by the Judiciary Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to child and spousal support; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services Committee, the Judiciary Committee and the Finance Committee.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Secretary announced receipt of:

from Robert L. Grogan, Associate Director, Division of Governmental Coordination, Office of Management and Budget, dated April 12:

STATUTES AND REGULATIONS, ALASKA COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM, January 1985, in accordance with AS 44.19.161(4)

ALASKA COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM, October 1984,

ALASKA COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM 1984 REPORT ON DISTRICT COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS, November 1984

from Robert Heath, Executive Director, Alaska Power Authority, dated April 9, in accordance with AS 44.83.185:

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TUESDAY

April 16, 1985

Ninety-third Day

Pursuant to adjournment, the Senate was called to order by President Bennett at 11:08 a.m.

The roll showed sixteen members present. Senators Coghill and Paul Fischer were excused from a call of the Senate. Senators Faiks and Sackett were absent on state business.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Reverend Wilson of the First Church of God.

Senator Halford moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the ninety-second legislative day and Supplement No. 30 be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Faiks' presence was noted.

## MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

### SJR 20

Message of April 15 was read, stating the House passed and returned:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20

(federal funding for conservation programs)

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20 was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

## HOUSE BILLS IN THIRD READING

HB 157

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 157 (JUD) am (corrective amendments to the Alaska Statutes as recommended by the revisor of statutes; efd) which was held from April 16 was before the Senate in third reading.

Senator Rodey moved and asked unanimous consent that CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 157 (JUD) am be held until tomorrow's calendar. Without objection, the bill will appear in third reading on the April 18 calendar.

## CITATIONS

Senator Rodey moved and asked unanimous consent that the citation Honoring National Rifle Association be sponsored by All Other Members of the Senate. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Honoring National Rifle Association  
by Senators Rodey, Bennett, Kerttula, Halford,  
Sturgulewski, DeVries, Faiks, Abood, Kelly and  
All Other Members of the Senate

Honoring Gregorio and Felipa Millan  
by Senators Rodey, Sturgulewski and Vic Fischer

Senator Halford moved and asked unanimous consent that the citation calendar be adopted. Without objection, the citations were adopted and referred to the Secretary for transmittal.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

HCR 9

Senator Coghill, Chairman, moved and asked unanimous consent that the Transportation Committee referral on HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 (Whittier-Shotgun Cove Access) be waived. Without objection, it was so ordered.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 was referred to the Labor and Commerce Committee and the Finance Committee.

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SB 44 cont'd

Senator Halford moved and asked unanimous consent that the vote on the passage of the bill be considered the vote on the effective date clause. Without objection, it was so ordered.

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 44 (JUD) was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

SB 120

SENATE BILL NO. 120 (agriculture; efd) was read the second time.

Senator Faiks moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Finance Committee Substitute offered on page 796. Without objection, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 120 (FIN) was adopted.

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 120 (FIN) was read the second time.

Senators Faiks and Kerttula offered Amendment No. 1:

Page 4, line 4: After "charged" delete "at"

Senator Faiks moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of Amendment No. 1. Without objection, Amendment No. 1 was adopted.

Senator Halford moved and asked unanimous consent that CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 120 (FIN) am be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. Without objection, it was so ordered.

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 120 (FIN) am was read the third time.

Senator Kerttula moved and asked unanimous consent that CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 120 (FIN) am be held until tomorrow's calendar. Senator Coghill objected.

Senator Kerttula rose to a point of order on limiting debate to the motion on the floor. President Bennett stated the point of order was well taken and the bill will appear on the April 18 calendar in third reading.