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# HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)

Date referred: 1/19/87

FURTHER REFERRALS: State Affairs

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

The Labor & Commerce Committee has considered EO 65

Moving the Alaska Foreign Offices from the Department of Commerce and Economic Development to the Office of the Governor.

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**RECOMMENDS:**

- replace with E.O. 65  the same title
- attached amendment(s)  a new title
- do pass
- do not pass
- no recommendation
- individual recommendations
- additional referral to the \_\_\_\_\_ Committee

**ADOPTS:**  \_\_\_\_\_ letter of intent

**ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(s):**

- fiscal impact  same as previous fiscal note published 1-19-87
- zero fiscal note  same as previous zero fiscal note published \_\_\_\_\_
- zero with analysis

**SIGNING DO PASS:**

David Douglas

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Scott M... ..

Chas. B...

John F. K...

**SIGNING OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:**

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David Douglas  
Chairman's signature

# Alaska State Legislature

## House of Representatives



### Labor and Commerce Committee

January 26, 1987

To: Members, House Labor and Commerce Committee

From: Representative Dave Donley, Chair D  
House Labor and Commerce Committee

Re: E065 - Moving Alaska foreign offices from DCED  
to the Governor's office

Executive Order 65, moving the Alaska foreign offices from the Department of Commerce and Economic Development to the Office of the Governor, was introduced by Governor Cowper on January 19 and is before the House Labor and Commerce Committee on Tuesday, January 27, 1987.

The findings section spells out the policy objectives behind the move and the body of the EO:

1. Establishes, in the Office of the Governor, two Alaska Foreign Offices in Tokyo, Japan and in Seoul, Republic of Korea, to serve as outlets for information and as contact points to promote and maintain trade between the State and Pacific Rim Nations.
2. Authorizes the Governor to select staff for the Offices based on experience, training, and recommendations from the Legislature.
3. Asks the Governor to direct state agencies and request the federal government and private industry to provide necessary information to the Offices.
4. Directs the Governor to report annually to the Legislature about activities and accomplishments of the Offices.
5. Mandates that all expenses of operating the offices shall be included in appropriations made to the Office of the Governor.

6. Establishes that contracts and proceedings entered into previously by the Alaska Foreign Offices are not affected by the relocation.

Mike Bradner, Legislative Liason for the Governor's Office and Becky Bear, from the Department of Commerce and Economic Development will be present to explain EO 65 and to answer any questions you may have.

Approval of EO 65 by the Legislature is necessary for the Governor's Office to carry out their plans for enhanced Foreign Trade oportunitites. I support EO 65, and I urge you to pass it out of Committee with a favorable recommendation.

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FISCAL NOTE

PUBLISH DATE: 1/19/87

REQUEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Bill Version: Executive Order #65

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

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

Title: Alaska Foreign Offices

Agency Affected: Comm. & Econ. Dev.

BRU: International Trade

Sponsor: Rules

Requestor: Steve Cowper, Governor

Components: \_\_\_\_\_

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

CAPITAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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REVENUE	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

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Date: January 13, 1987

Approved by Commissioner: 

Agency: Commerce and Economic Development

Date: January 13, 1987

Distribution (by preparer):

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Requestor

Office of Management and Budget

Impacted Agency(ies)

Senate Secretary

STEVE COWPER,  
GOVERNOR



STATE OF ALASKA  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
JUNEAU

January 19, 1987

The Honorable Ben Grussendorf  
Speaker of the House  
Alaska State Legislature  
P.O. Box V  
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Representative Grussendorf:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 23, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting Executive Order No. 65, to transfer the Alaska foreign offices from the Department of Commerce and Economic Development to the Office of the Governor. I believe that the activities of those offices are vital to the economy of the state, and I intend to become personally involved in their activities. This transfer will more fully recognize the value of those offices and will facilitate my supervision of them.

The Order consolidates into one statute the language presently in AS 44.33.530 -- 44.33.550, which sections are being repealed in sec. 3 of the Order. No substantive change is being made. This action reverses that taken in 1984 when Executive Order No. 57 renamed the old Alaska State Office and moved it from the Office of the Governor to the Department of Commerce and Economic Development. I am confident that you will agree with me that the importance of the Pacific Rim countries to Alaska's economic well-being justifies this return to the Governor's Office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Cowper", written over the word "Sincerely".

Steve Cowper  
Governor