

HB

261

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

FURTHER

4/25/89

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE 4/27/89

Mr. President:

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Committee considered CSHB 261 (FIN)

authorizing an Alaska-Soviet Ice Classic

and recommended

- replace with _____ CS _____) same title
- or adopt _____ CS _____) new title
- attached amendment(s) and technical title change (HB only)
- _____ letter of intent adopted

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

further referral to _____

Dept of Commerce 4/26/89

FISCAL NOTE(S) zero fiscal impact appropriation no FN
 new updated previous
 same as previous fiscal note(s) published 4/12/89

MEMBERS SIGNING DO PASS

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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 Chair: _____ signature and recommendation

Committee Backup attached

STATE OF ALASKA
1989 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL VERSION: CSHB 261 (Fin)
PUBLISH DATE: _____

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____
Title: Soviet-American Ice Classic

Agency Affected: Commerce & Economic Dev.
BRU: Occupational Licensing

Sponsor: Hudson, et al.
Requester: Senate Labor & Commerce

Components: _____

EXPENDITURES / REVENUES : (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94
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.) The Soviet-American Ice Classic will have no effect on the Games of Chance and Skill program currently in place. Camai, Inc. would operate this ice classic, and the department would not be involved other than receiving and processing an annual application and annual report. This ice classic is not predicted to have any impact on the enforcement and audit function carried out by the department under the Games of Chance and Skill program.

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April 25, 1989

Honorable Dick Eliason, Chair
Senate Labor and Commerce Committee
Alaska State Legislature
P.O. Box V
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Re: CSHB 261 (Finance)

Dear Senator Eliason,

Thank you for promptly scheduling a committee hearing of CSHB 261 (Finance), "An Act authorizing an Alaska-Soviet Ice Classic."

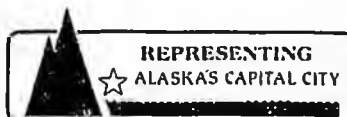
I sponsored the bill after well-known activist Dixie Belcher approached me with the idea of an Alaska-Soviet Ice Classic as a way to celebrate improving relations between the United States and the Soviet Union.

Her nonprofit organization, CAMAI*, and the City of Diomedes** would like to sponsor the ice classic; however, they must wait for the legislature to pass CSHB 261 (Finance) this session before they can proceed to organize one for next year.

Since 1960, when the legislature passed charitable gaming legislation, organizations have had to obtain statutory authority to operate and administer ice classics. CSHB 261

* Pronounced "cha-MY", the Yup'ik for "hello".

** At my request, the House Finance Committee added the City of Diomedes as a joint sponsor of the ice classic. This marks the only difference between my bill and its companion, SB 274 by Senator Jim Duncan.



Senator Dick Eliason
April 25, 1989
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(Finance) adds the Alaska-Soviet Ice Classic to five other authorized ice classics: the Nenana Ice Classic, the Chena Ice Pool, the Kuskokwim Ice Classic, the Kenai River Ice Classic, and the Yukon River Ice Classic.

Should CSHB 261 (Finance) pass this year, ice classic organizers would set up a tripod in the spring of 1990 on the International Dateline between Big and Little Diomed Islands. Tickets would go on sale in both Alaska and the Soviet Union from April 15 to May 25.

CAMAI and the City of Diomed would operate the ice classic in Alaska. The Foundation for Social Inventions, a Soviet agency, would manage the ice classic in the Soviet Union.

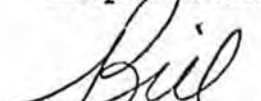
Bering Sea ice usually breaks up between the middle of June to the middle of July. Those coming closest to guessing the time of the breakup would be declared winners in Alaska and in the Soviet Union. Alaska winners would be paid from dollars earned in Alaska. Soviet winners would be paid from rubles earned in the Soviet Union.

Proceeds would support efforts to promote Alaska-Soviet cultural exchanges.

Finally, CSHB 261 (Finance) has a zero fiscal note.

Again, thank you for the prompt hearing of CSHB 261 (Finance). I hope we can quickly pass this bill this session so that the ice classic organizers can immediately begin work on a unique event.

Respectfully,


Bill Hudson