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SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

BILL NUMBER SCR 54

SPONSOR Rules

BILL TITLE Lucas to Brigadier General

DATE REFERRED 4.4.90

HEARING SCHEDULED 4.9.90

FISCAL NOTE PREPARED

SPONSOR CONTACTED

INTERESTED PARTIES CONTACTED

SCR 54. relating to the promotion of Assistant Adjutant General Louis Lee Lucas to brigadier general in the Alaska National Guard. Sponsored by the Rules Committee, this resolution contains the military history of Asst. Adjutant General Louis Lee Lucas and requests the Governor to appoint him to brigadier general in the AK. National Guard.

OTHER

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BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 54  
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to the promotion of Assistant  
6 Adjutant General Louis Lee Lucas to  
7 brigadier general in the Alaska National  
8 Guard.

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

10 WHEREAS Assistant Adjutant General Louis Lee Lucas was born and raised  
11 in Juneau, Alaska, attended the University of California at Los Angeles in  
12 1941, and enlisted in the Army Air Corps shortly after the attack on Pearl  
13 Harbor; and

14 WHEREAS during World War II Assistant Adjutant General Louis Lee Lucas  
15 served as first sergeant of the Juneau Army Air Field for 18 months before  
16 being sent to the Aleutian Islands and western Alaska; and

17 WHEREAS when General Larry Lars Johnson was appointed as the state's  
18 first Adjutant General in the Alaska National Guard, Assistant Adjutant  
19 General Louis Lee Lucas became his administrative assistant; and

20 WHEREAS, together with General Larry Lars Johnson, Assistant Adjutant  
21 General Louis Lee Lucas convinced the Air Force and the National Guard  
22 Bureau that an air guard unit was needed by the territory; and

23 WHEREAS Assistant Adjutant General Louis Lee Lucas attended countless  
24 meetings in Washington, D.C. and did much of the administrative work that  
25 was necessary to form the state's first air guard unit; and

26 WHEREAS Assistant Adjutant General Louis Lee Lucas was the first  
27 person to be assigned to the Alaska Air National Guard and in the early  
28 1950s served as the Chief of Staff and Assistant Adjutant General for the  
29 Alaska Air National Guard for the Territory of Alaska; and

1           WHEREAS Assistant Adjutant General Louis Lee Lucas still actively  
2 supports the Alaska National Guard and willingly serves in any capacity  
3 that will promote its interest; and

4           WHEREAS Assistant Adjutant General Louis Lee Lucas is a true pioneer  
5 of the state and serves as an admirable model for the youth of the state  
6 who may have an interest in a career with the Alaska National Guard; and

7           WHEREAS Assistant Adjutant General Louis Lee Lucas is qualified to be  
8 promoted to the rank of brigadier general; and

9           WHEREAS it is fitting for the state to recognize the contributions of  
10 Assistant Adjutant General Louis Lee Lucas to the Alaska Air National Guard  
11 by appointing him to the state rank of brigadier general;

12           BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests  
13 the Governor to appoint Assistant Adjutant General Louis Lee Lucas to  
14 brigadier general in the Alaska National Guard.  
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**SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**FIRST COMMITTEE OF REFERRAL**

DATE: 4/4/90

FURTHER:

Date of 5-Day Notice: \_\_\_\_\_  
(in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED  
INTO OFFICE: \_\_\_\_\_

State Affairs

Committee considered

SCR 54

Promotion of Assistant Adjutant General Louis Lee Lucas to brigadier general in the AK National Guard.

and recommended:

- replace with \_\_\_\_\_ CS \_\_\_\_\_  same title  
 attached amendment(s)  new title  
 \_\_\_\_\_ letter of intent adopted

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

further referral to \_\_\_\_\_

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department(s)/Date:

Department(s)/Date:

fiscal note(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
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zero fiscal note(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
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appropriation-no fiscal note

Governor's bill w/fiscal note

SIGNING DO PASS:

*Tim Kelly*

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

*James Smith No Rec*

*[Signature]*

Chair: Signature and Recommendation

# STATE OF ALASKA

STEVE COWPER, GOVERNOR

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27 March 1990

The Honorable Tim Kelly  
Alaska State Senator  
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Dear Senator Kelly:

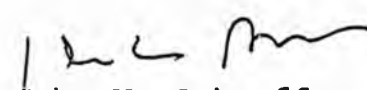
Some time ago you were contacted by the State Command Historian, SMS Clifford Salisbury concerning the introduction of a resolution promoting Lee Lucas of Juneau to the state rank of Brigadier General. I feel this would be an appropriate way of rewarding Lee for his contributions to the Air National Guard (ANG) and the State of Alaska.

I have attached a short biography for your consideration. Lee was the first man to ever be assigned to the Alaska ANG, served as Chief of Staff and Assistant Adjutant General for ANG during the early 1950's. It was through the efforts of these early pioneers the Territory of Alaska was able to bring the ANG unit to Anchorage.

He and his close friend, General Lars Johnson are still active supporters of the Guard and are willing to serve the interest in any capacity. They both serve as admirable models for the youth of Alaska who may have an interest in a career with the Guard. Should you need additional information feel free to call Cliff at 249-1239 or write him at the above address.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

  
John W. Schaeffer  
Major General  
Alaska National Guard  
The Adjutant General

*Letter in bag for  
attention of 210th*

Enclosure

cc: SMS Clifford Salisbury

*get brief for from  
Dave*

## LOUIS LEE LUCAS

Louis Lee Lucas was born and raised in Juneau, Alaska. He graduated from Juneau High School and attended the University of California at Los Angeles in 1941 before enlisting in the Army Air Corps shortly after the attack on Pearl Harbor in Hawaii. He served as First Sergeant of the Juneau Army Air Field for 18 months before being sent to the Aleutian Islands and Western Alaska.

Following World War Two, he spent several years trying to convince the Air Force it should establish an Air Guard unit in Alaska, without success. When Colonel Larry Lars Johnson was appointed as Alaska's first Adjutant General, Lee Lucas became Administrative Assistant to the AG.

Lee Lucas helped to set up the early Eskimo Scout encampments at Fort Richardson and never gave up his dream of an Air Guard unit for Alaska. Lars Johnson made him an equal partner and the two men fought the Air Force's reluctance to form an Air Guard unit for the Territory of Alaska. Together, they convinced the Air Force and the National Guard Bureau that an Air National Guard unit was a necessity for the Territory of Alaska. Lee Lucas attended countless meetings in Washington D.C. and did much of the administrative work necessary in forming Alaska's first Air Guard unit. He was the first person ever assigned to the new Air National Guard unit. He became Chief of Staff for the Alaska Air National Guard and Assistant Adjutant General for Air for the Territory of Alaska.

He resides today in Juneau, has retained his interest in the National Guard and is a true pioneer of Alaska. It is only fitting that the State of Alaska recognize his contributions to the Alaska Air National Guard by appointing him to the State Rank of Brigadier General.