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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(11)

Date Referred: February 19, 1993

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: 3/1/93

The FINANCE Committee considered:

HB 102

HOUSE BILL NO. 102

PANEL MEMBERS ON AK LABOR REL. AGENCY

"An Act relating to the Alaska Labor Relations Agency; and providing for an effective date."

RECOMMENDATIONS:

be replaced with CS HB 102 (FIN) the same title a new title

have attached amendments(s)

do pass

do not pass

no recommendations

individual recommendations

additional referral to the _____ Committee

ADOPTS: _____ letter of Intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S): (Dept) _____

APPROVES PREVIOUS: (Dept/Date) _____

fiscal impact _____

fiscal note(s) _____

zero fiscal note HFC

zero fiscal note(s) _____

SIGNING DO PASS	DP	OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS	DNP	NR	AM
<i>Edson P. Maclean</i> Maclean ✓					
<i>Ronald J. Larson</i> Larson X	X				
<i>Mark Hanley</i> Hanley Y	Y				
<i>Sean R. Parnell</i> Parnell X	X				
<i>Bar Grussendorf</i> Grussendorf X	X				
<i>Mike Navarre</i> Navarre X	X				
<i>Tom Brown</i> Brown ✓	✓				
<i>Greg Theriault</i> Theriault X	X				

Ronald J. Larson
 CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE
 Larson Maclean

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February 22, 1993

The Honorable Ron Larson
Co-Chair, Finance Committee
Alaska State House of Representatives
State Capitol, Room 502
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Representative Larson:

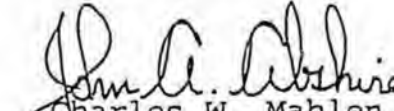
House Bill No. 102 which proposes to expand the membership of the Alaska Labor Relations Agency and provide a \$100 per day honorarium for board members was introduced and referred to the House Labor & Commerce Committee on January 29, 1993. The bill was considered by the House Labor & Commerce Committee on February 19, 1993 and referred to the Finance Committee. I am requesting that the bill be scheduled for a hearing before the House Finance Committee.

The bill would expand the membership of the board from three members to six members and the governor would designate a chair from the public members of the board. The bill would also provide a payment of \$100 per day to compensate board members for each day spent in meetings or on authorized official business related to board duties. A fiscal note for 12.8 thousand dollars has been submitted to reflect anticipated expenditures.

A fiscal note and position paper from the Department of Labor and a copy of the bill are enclosed for your information. If you would like additional information concerning this legislation, please do not hesitate to contact my Special Assistant, Arbe Williams.

Thank you for your consideration of my request to schedule House Bill No. 102 for a hearing before the House Finance Committee.

Sincerely,


Charles W. Mahlen
Commissioner

Enclosures

BILL NO: HOUSE BILL NO. 102

DATE: February 8, 1993

TITLE: Panel Members on Alaska Labor Relations Agency
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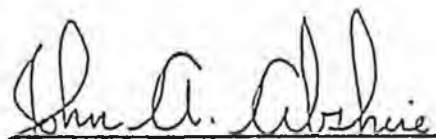
House Bill No. 102, proposes to expand the membership of the Alaska Labor Relations Agency. The bill would also provide compensation of \$100 per day per board member for each day spent in meetings or on authorized official business related to board duties.

The bill would expand the membership of the board from three members to six members. Two members would have a management background, two members would have a labor background and two members would be from the general public. The governor would designate a chair from the public members of the board.

Continuing with the current workload, the three current board members would be sitting 40 or more days per year. This is a heavy workload and the Alaska Labor Relations Agency has had difficulty obtaining a quorum. Expanding the board will expedite the agency's administrative hearings.

The bill would also provide a payment of \$100 per day to compensate board members for each day spent in meetings or on authorized official business related to board duties. A fiscal note for 12.8 thousand dollars has been submitted to reflect anticipated expenditures.

The Department of Labor supports House Bill No. 102.



Charles W. Mahlen
Commissioner

Date: 2/8/93

POSITION PAPER/Department of Labor

FISCAL NOTE

No. 1
 Bill Version: HB 102
 (H) Publish Date: 2/19/93

STATE OF ALASKA
 1993 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Revision Date: _____
 Title: Panel Members on Ak. Labor
Rel. Agency
 Sponsor: House Labor & Commerce
 Requestor: House Labor & Commerce

Department Affected: Labor
 BRU: Commissioner's Office
 Component: _____
Alaska Labor Relations Agency
 COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 1200

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8
1005 GF/Program Receipt						
1006 GF/MHTIA						
Other						
TOTAL	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year (FY93) impact: \$ None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

(see attached)

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 Division: Alaska Labor Relations Agency Date: 2/2/93
 Approved by Commissioner: Charles W. Manien
 Agency: Department of Labor Date: 2/2/93

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Fiscal Note Analysis for
Panel Members on Ak. Labor Rel. Agency

This bill would expand the membership of the Alaska Labor Relations Agency Board and would provide an honorarium for board members.

The increase in board size from three to six members is necessitated by the workload of the agency. At the current rate the board members will be meeting 40 or more days per year. This is a heavy workload. As a result the agency has had difficulty obtaining a quorum (two members present) and on several occasions the agency has had to reschedule hearings. Rescheduling is an inconvenience and costly to the parties involved, particularly when counsel has been retained or the representative has had to travel. Expanding the board will expedite the hearings of the agency and avoid rescheduling meetings.

The honorarium would be \$100.00 per day per board member for each day spent in meetings or on authorized official business related to board duties. This payment would compensate members for time away from their regular employment and reimburse them for expenses incurred to attend a board meeting.

The department has used board activity for calendar year 1992 to estimate the cost of providing this honorarium. The computations are as follows:

No. of Meetings	No. of Hearings	No. of Members	Member Days
8		6	48
	25	3	75
5		1	5
		Total Days	128
		Honorarium	x \$100
		Estimated Cost	<u>\$12,800</u>

Open Meeting Act meetings would require the attendance of all members (or a quorum of four) and administrative hearings would require the attendance of a three member panel (or a quorum of two). Single member meetings are usually between the chair and the agency's administrator but could also involve a member's attendance at a conference.

An effective date of July 1, 1993 is assumed.