

SB

49

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 2/1/92

FURTHER: FINANCE

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: _____

JUDICIARY Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 49

"An Act relating to preelection reports; closing the two-day reporting gap in those reports; setting the date of February 15 for filing year-end campaign finance reports; and requiring reporting of zero year-end reports."

and recommends:

- replace with _____ CS _____ ()
- or adopt previous _____ CS _____ ()
- attaches amendment(s)

- same title
- new title
- technical title change (HB only)

adopts _____ Letter of Intent

further referral to the Finance Committee

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

NEW FISCAL NOTES

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTES

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal
APCC (Admin)	1-25-92	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Appropriation No Fiscal Note

DO PASS:

Richard Halford

William Bouley

George Halford

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Suzanne R. Hitt no rec

Robert Edwin Taylor

Chair: Signature and Recommendation



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SENATOR TIM KELLY

State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Robin Taylor, Chair
Senate Judiciary Committee

FROM: Senator Tim Kelly *TDK*

DATE: January 29, 1993

RE: SB 49 - Relating to the filing of Campaign Finance Reports

I respectfully request that you schedule SB 49 for a hearing before the Senate Judiciary Committee at the earliest opportunity.

Attached you will find my position paper, which contains an analysis of the bill, and a zero fiscal note from the Department of Administration. This legislation is supported by the Alaska Public Offices Commission and the Department of Administration.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sponsor Summary



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SPONSOR STATEMENT & ANALYSIS FOR SB 49:

"RELATING TO THE FILING OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTS"

This legislation makes some long needed adjustments to our campaign reporting laws, the major feature of which is closing the two-day reporting gap (Sec. 2, page 2, line 13).

The law, since its inception in 1974, has contained an inadvertent two-day gap which occurs between the seven day pre-election report and the 24 hour reports. The reporting period for the 7 day pre-election report ends three days prior to the report due date. The 24 hour reports for contributions which exceed \$250 do not begin until 7 days prior to the election. Thus, contributions exceeding \$250 received the 9th and 8th days before the election are not reported until the 10 day post election report. This has the effect of obscuring the public's right to know.

In addition, SB 4⁹ would change the deadline for filing year-end campaign reports from December 31st to February 15th (Sec. 1, page 2, line 7). In recognition of the impracticality of the December 31st deadline, the Alaska Public Office Commission (APOC) has allowed year-end reports to be filed on January 15th, well after the statutory date, for several years. The February 15th deadline would allow candidates and groups the use of December bank statements, and provide a longer time period to prepare a year-end report.

This legislation was introduced in the 17th Legislature and, after passage in the House, passed the Senate Ethics Reform and Judiciary Committees. APOC had previously requested the following amendments which have been included in SB 4⁹:

1) In Section 1, on page 1, lines 8-14, new language clarifies the scope of the year-end report. The year-end reporting period starts with the most recent report filed or with the beginning of the campaign, whichever is later. The reporting period ends with the previous calendar year, i.e. on December 31.

2) In Section 1, on page 2, lines 8-10, the filing of zero reports are made mandatory. This allows APOC to monitor report filing and notify filers if no report is received. More importantly, mandatory filing would help avoid the problem of discovering at a later date that a report should have been filed and that a significant fine has accrued.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1993 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. SB 49

Revision Date: _____
 Title: "An Act relating to preelection reports; closing the two-day reporting gap in those reports; setting the date of February . . ."
 Sponsor: Senators Kelly, Donley
 Requestor: _____

Department Affected: Administration
 BRU: Alaska Public Offices Commission
 Component: Alaska Public Offices Commission
 COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 70

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES:

OPERATING	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	0	0	0	0	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0	0	0	0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:	0	0	0	0	0	0
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FUNDING:

1002 Federal Receipts	0	0	0	0	0	0
1003 GF Match	0	0	0	0	0	0
1004 GF	0	0	0	0	0	0
1005 GF/Program Receipts	0	0	0	0	0	0
1006 GF/MHTIA	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS:

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

Estimate of current year (FY93) impact: None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

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Approved by Commissioner: Nancy Bear Usara
 Agency: Administration

Date: 1/25/93

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