

HB

473

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1998 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CSHB 473 (JUD)

Revision Date (Note if correction) _____ Dept. Affected Public Safety
 Title An Act relating to training or certifying fire fighters BRU Commissioner's Office
 Component _____
 Sponsor House State Affairs
 Requester House Judiciary Component Serial No. _____

Expenditures/Revenues

(Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 99	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03	FY 04
Personal Services	111.8	111.8	111.8	111.8	111.8	111.8
Travel	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0
Contractual	29.2	29.2	29.2	29.2	29.2	29.2
Supplies	11.5	5.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	172.5	166.0	163.5	163.5	163.5	163.5

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()						
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FUND SOURCE

(Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	172.5	166.0	163.5	163.5	163.5	163.5
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type)						
TOTAL	172.5	166.0	163.5	163.5	163.5	163.5

Estimate of any current year (FY98) cost: 0.0

POSITIONS

Full-time	2	2	2	2	2	2
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS:

Prepared by Mark Barker Phone 269-5789
 Division Fire Prevention Date 4/7/98
 Approved by Ronald L. Otte, Commissioner *R. L. Otte* Date 4/8/98
 Agency Department of Public Safety

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AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE HOUSE

April 8, 1998

TO: CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 473, Draft version "E"

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8	Page 3 line 3 Insert	(3) <u>approve and/or</u> establish minimum
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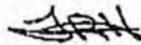


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Testimony on HB 473

Date Sent: 4/8/98 No. of Pages Including Cover Sheet: 3

Thank You,

Tammy Renee' Hall
Information Assistant



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Judiciary
 committee on HB 473, dated 8 Apr 98
 bill/ subject

Volunteer fire departments in rural areas attempt to attain the standards set by the National Fire Protection Association. This however is extremely difficult if not impossible because of the number of hours of mandatory annual training time (over 200). Vast areas of the state are covered by volunteers, our coverage area within the district (Rural Delta Fire Protection District) is 50 miles north/south by 35 miles east/west. We also respond to fires outside our district which has no coverage. This bill, as worded, would effectively put an end to fire coverage by volunteers throughout the rural areas of Alaska. We did not know about this bill until notified By LIO on 7 Apr 98.

Signed:

Kevin Kelly

Testifier.

Vice President Rural Delta ~~Volunteer~~ Fire Protection District
 Representing (Optional) Assistant Chief, Rural Delta Volunteer
PO Box 10 Delta Junction AK 99737 Fire Dept

Address

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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Judiciary

committee on HB 473, dated April 8, 1998.

bill/subject Fire Dept. did not know about this bill until 4-7-98, HB 473.
 The committee substitute was not available until the teleconference was almost over.

RE: HB473: I am a member of the Rural Deltana Volunteer Fire Department, and have been for 3 years. I am also an EMT-1, and have a law office, a private practice, in Delta. Our RDVFD has the primary responsibility for fire protection for the entire area outside the city limits of Delta Junction. This includes coverage of areas halfway down the Alaska Highway towards TDK (50 miles), 35 miles north on the Richardson (to Birch Lake) Hwy, and 65 miles south on the Richardson Hwy (to Paxson). We are composed of volunteers of a wide age range, most of whom are employed at full time jobs. We engage in a comprehensive training program specifically tailored to the needs of our rural fire fighting mission and operation requirements. We train extensively in the skills regularly need on the types of fire situations we typically encounter. Specifically, we find that water supply training, engineering training, automobile extrication training, and general firefighter training is necessary. Additionally, we participate annually in training offered by our local DNR Forestry office, as we are usually called upon to protect structures when wildfires occur in the area. The current bill mandates training to national standards (NFPA, etc), or otherwise prohibits our firefighters from serving our local area. This would effectively shut down our department. If we did not

Signed:

Audrey A. Brown Audrey A. Brown

Testifier

Rural Deltana Volunteer Fire Dept.

Representing (Optional)

P.O. Box 990, Delta Jct. AK 99731

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meet the NFPA or other national standards by July 1, 1999, and responded to a fire, we would all be guilty of committing a misdemeanor crime.

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*"Prepared for the Worst,
Providing the Best"*

March 31, 1998

The Honorable Gail Phillips
Speaker of the House
Alaska State Capital
Room 208
Juneau AK 99801-1182

Dear Madam Speaker:

Thank you for your letter of March 25, 1998 in which you asked to continue discussion on two items - HB473 and stable funding for Fire Service Training. You asked for input on these two issues.

I have carefully reviewed HB473, version E, and found it to fully meet the intent of our efforts to gain professional standing by requiring firefighters to be trained. The concept of a Standards Council will ensure that the training requirements are acceptable to all communities without adding an additional unfunded mandate for training upon them. Please support HB473, version E, as the answer to the Alaska Fire Services concerns for training standards.

The Alaska Fire Chiefs Association has proposed a \$1.00 per capita and program receipt concept as a stable funding source for Fire Service Training. I believe that this will work, but if the concept included provisions for accepting and using grants or other funding as a pass through that would not impact the budget in other areas this would be even better. There may be money available to provide training for Alaska Fire Service personnel that could be obtained and used. If the acceptance of these funds lowered the budget in other areas/programs than obviously the net result is counter-productive. Outright use of such funds to preclude using state monies would be in the best interests of all concerned.

We also discussed the hiring of additional "Initial Attack Forestry Firefighters" for Alaska-and the Kenai Peninsula in particular. I still think that this is one of the most import issues for the Kenai Peninsula. The low snow pack and large beetle kill could be a disaster situation for us, and any additional help will allow quicker response. A quick response with adequate personnel MAY avert a large event that will become uncontrollable. If possible, we should hire the additional initial attack personnel for the Kenai Peninsula as soon as possible this spring.

Finally, I just looked at SB334 - "An act relating to guidelines and standards for state training programs; and relating to the Alaska Human Resource Investment Council." This bill mentions firefighter training. Since HB473 meets our needs, I think that we could be removed from SB334, or it should be made a companion bill to HB473. ✕

I appreciate your support and concern for fire safety. For your information, we will be sponsoring community defensible space classes early this spring. I hope that you will be able to make one of the meetings. Thank you again for your support and assistance.

Yours in public safety,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Len A. Malmquist". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Len A. Malmquist, Chief

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REPRESENTATIVE MARK D. HODGINS
House District 9

SPONSOR STATEMENT

HB-473 "An Act Relating to training and certification of fire fighters and Fire instructors; and providing for an effective date."

This legislation creates, in the Department of Public Safety, the Alaska Fire Standards Council. Provides for appointment of members, selection of officers, meetings schedule, compensation and expenses of the Council and shall adopt minimum standards for employment and curriculum requirements for fire fighters and fire instructors and their certification, and establishes and maintains fire fighter and fire instructor training programs.

HB 473, Fire Training and Certification

Bill File
HB 473

Sponsor: State Affairs Committee

HB 473 provides that fire fighters and fire instructors be required to meet minimum standards created by an Alaska Fire Fighters Standards Council, which will be established under the auspices of the Department of Public Safety.

The Council will establish qualifications for employment of persons as fire fighters and fire instructors, including standards relating to:

- Age, physical attributes and fitness, citizenship, moral character, and experience;
 - Education and training; the Council will establish the training standards, which must be consistent with the training standards of the National Fire Protection Association or other applicable national standards.
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Questions for HB 473:

- Which fire departments are registered with the state fire marshal?
- Do all fire instructors work for fire departments?
- Legal has added a delayed effective date of July 1, 1999, which [they] still feel is inadequate time for the creation of a Council and then its adoption of standards to be met for certification.
- Should age, moral character and experience be considered criteria for becoming employed as a fire fighter, if a person is in good physical condition to meet the necessary standards that a fire fighter would need?
- What are the training standards of the National Fire Protection Association and what other applicable national standards are to be considered – a list?

TO: Kevin Jardell
FR: Melissa Myers
RE: HB 473
Date: March 25, 1998

HB 473, Fire Training and Certification
Referred to H(JUD)
Sponsor: State Affairs

Kev,

Do you have the bill packet for HB 473?
Has it been requested for a hearing?
What is Joe's feelings on this bill and do you think it will be heard in JUD?

Tom from Rep. Hodgin's office was inquiring.

Mel

Joe,

Michael, Fire Chief
479-6858/cell 322-4232
***Supports CS for HB 473**
This was very important for Rep. Hodgins

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REPRESENTATIVE MARK D. HODGINS
House District 9

March 25, 1998

Representative Joe Green
Chairman
House Judiciary Committee

"VERSION E"

RE: Scheduling HB 473—"An Act relating to training and certification of fire fighters, fire instructors, and certain emergency responders; and providing for an effective date."

Dear Chairman Green:

HB 473 was introduced in the House State Affairs Committee on March 24, 1998. HB 473 was referred to the House Judiciary Committee; I respectfully request a hearing on it.

I am looking forward to testifying in your (H) Judiciary Committee on HB 473.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark Hodgins".

Mark Hodgins
Representative, District 9

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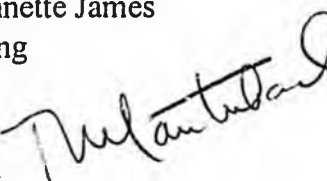
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MEMORANDUM

March 25, 1998

SUBJECT: Fire Protection (CSHB 473(), version "E")

TO: Representative Jeannette James
Attn: Barbara Cotting

FROM: Terri Lauterbach
Legislative Counsel 

Enclosed is the CS you have taken over from Representative Hodgins' office. It is based on the material they submitted, which was patterned somewhat on the Alaska Police Standards Council (AS 18.65.130 - 18.65.290).

I am not certain who would be required to obtain certification under this bill. AS 18.70.365, enacted by the bill, requires certification of fire fighters and fire instructors. However, the definitions of fire fighter and fire instructor in the bill are tied into a registration requirement relating to the fire department they work for. I do not know which fire departments are registered with the state fire marshal or even if all fire instructors work for fire departments.

I have added a delayed effective date of July 1, 1999, which would give people some time to comply with the new requirements. However, this date may be entirely too early, considering that the council will also need time to adopt the standards that must be met for certification. I recommend consideration of transitional provisions of some sort or an effective date later than 7/1/99.

I offer the enclosed for discussion purposes. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

TML:jdr:glc
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Enclosure

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Lauterbach
3/25/98

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 473()

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY

**Offered:
Referred:**

Sponsor(s): HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to training and certification of fire fighters and fire instructors;**
2 **and providing for an effective date."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 *** Section 1.** AS 18.70 is amended by adding new sections to read:

5 **Article 3. Alaska Fire Fighters Standards Council.**

6 **Sec. 18.70.320. Policy.** The administration of fire prevention and suppression
7 services affects the health, safety, and welfare of the people of this state and requires
8 education and training of a professional quality. It is a primary public interest that
9 applicants meet minimum standards for employment as fire fighters and fire instructors
10 and that fire fighting training be made available to fire fighters and fire instructors
11 serving in a probationary capacity and fire fighters already in regular service. It is of
12 secondary public interest to encourage the establishment of preliminary training
13 programs for persons seeking to become fire fighters.

14 **Sec. 18.70.325. Creation.** (a) There is created in the Department of Public

1 Safety the Alaska Fire Fighters Standards Council.

2 (b) The council consists of the following persons:

3 (1) four chief administrative officers or fire chiefs of local government;

4 (2) the commissioner of public safety or a designee of the
5 commissioner;

6 (3) two representatives of fire fighters, including at least one fire fighter
7 administrative officer from the Alaska State Fire Fighters Association; a person
8 appointed under this paragraph may not, while serving on the council, be a fire chief;
9 and

10 (4) four members of the public at large with at least two members from
11 communities of 2,500 population or less.

12 **Sec. 18.70.330. Appointment.** (a) The commissioner of public safety or a
13 designee shall serve during each commissioner's continuance in office. Other members
14 of the council shall be appointed by the governor for staggered terms of four years,
15 except that a member may not serve beyond the time the member holds the office that
16 established eligibility for appointment.

17 (b) Membership on the council does not disqualify a member from holding
18 another public office or employment.

19 **Sec. 18.70.335. Officers; meetings.** (a) The council shall select its chair and
20 vice-chair annually.

21 (b) The council shall meet at least twice a year. The chair shall set the time
22 and place of the meeting, either on the chair's own motion or on written request by
23 three members of the council.

24 **Sec. 18.70.340. Compensation and expenses.** The members of the council
25 may not receive a salary for service on the council, but are entitled to per diem and
26 travel expenses authorized by law for other boards and commissions under
27 AS 39.20.180.

28 **Sec. 18.70.350. Powers.** The council may

29 (1) adopt regulations for the administration of AS 18.70.320 -
30 18.70.390;

31 (2) establish minimum standards for employment as a fire fighter or fire

1 instructor in a permanent or probationary position and may certify persons to be
2 qualified as fire fighters and fire instructors;

3 (3) establish minimum fire fighter curriculum requirements for basic,
4 specialized, and in-service courses and programs for schools operated by or for the
5 state or a political subdivision of the state for the specific purpose of training fire
6 fighters and fire instructors;

7 (4) consult and cooperate with municipalities, agencies of the state,
8 other governmental agencies, universities, colleges, and other institutions concerning
9 the development of fire fighter and fire instructor training schools and programs of the
10 Department of Public Safety that relate to fire prevention and suppression;

11 (5) employ an administrator and other persons necessary to carry out
12 its duties;

13 (6) investigate when there is reason to believe that a fire fighter or fire
14 instructor does not meet the minimum standards for employment; in connection with
15 an investigation under this paragraph, the council may subpoena persons, books,
16 records, or documents related to the investigation and require answers in writing under
17 oath to questions asked by the council or the administrator;

18 (7) charge and collect a fee of \$50 for processing an application for
19 certification of a fire fighter or fire instructor.

20 **Sec. 18.70.355. Training programs.** The council shall establish and maintain
21 fire fighter and fire instructor training programs through agencies and institutions that
22 the council considers appropriate.

23 **Sec. 18.70.360. Standards for fire fighters and fire instructors.** (a) The
24 council shall establish qualifications for employment of persons as fire fighters and fire
25 instructors including standards relating to

26 (1) age, physical attributes and fitness, citizenship, moral character, and
27 experience; and

28 (2) education and training; the training standards established by the
29 council must be consistent with the training standards of the National Fire Protection
30 Association or other applicable national standards.

31 (b) The council shall

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(1) prescribe the means of presenting evidence of fulfillment of the requirements set out in (a) of this section; and

(2) issue a certificate evidencing satisfaction of the requirements of (a) of this section to an applicant who

(A) satisfies the requirements of (a)(1) of this section; and

(B) meets the minimum education and training standards of (a)(2) of this section by satisfactorily completing a training program in this state for fire fighters and fire instructors that is approved by the council or a training program in another jurisdiction that, in the opinion of the council, contains the equivalent in content and quality to that required by the council for approved fire fighter and fire instructor education and training programs in this state.

(c) In the evaluation of applicants against the standards developed under (a)(1) of this section, the council shall use evaluation methods that do not discriminate against applicants of different ethnic origins.

Sec. 18.70.365. Certificate required. A person may not be appointed as a fire fighter or fire instructor unless the person is appropriately certified under AS 18.70.360.

Sec. 18.70.370. Denial or revocation of certificates. The council may

(1) deny a certificate to an applicant for a fire fighter or fire instructor certificate if the applicant does not meet the standards adopted by the council under AS 18.70.360;

(2) revoke the certificate of a fire fighter or fire instructor who, having been issued a certificate, fails to meet the standards adopted by the council under AS 18.70.360.

Sec. 18.70.375. Alaska fire fighters and fire instructors fund. The Alaska fire fighters and fire instructors fund is created in the general fund. The fund consists of appropriations made by the legislature to the fund. The council may use the money in the fund to carry out its powers and duties.

Sec. 18.70.390. Definitions. In AS 18.70.320 - 18.70.390,

(1) "council" means the Alaska Fire Fighters Standards Council

1 established under AS 18.70.325;

2 (2) "fire fighter" means a person who performs fire prevention or fire
3 suppression services as an employee or volunteer with a fire department registered with
4 the state fire marshal;

5 (3) "fire instructor" means a person who performs training and
6 education services as an employee of or volunteer with a fire department registered
7 with the state fire marshal.

8 * **Sec. 2. INITIAL TERMS.** Notwithstanding AS 18.70.330, enacted by sec. 1 of this Act,
9 the initial terms of office for persons appointed to the Alaska Fire Fighters Standards Council
10 shall be set by the governor so that

11 (1) two persons appointed under AS 18.70.325(b)(1), two persons appointed
12 under AS 18.70.325(b)(4), and one person appointed under AS 18.70.325(b)(3) will serve two-
13 year terms;

14 (2) the members not appointed under (1) of the section will serve four-year
15 terms.

16 * **Sec. 3.** AS 18.70.365, enacted by sec. 1 of this Act, takes effect July 1, 1999.

17 * **Sec. 4.** Except as provided in sec. 3 of this Act, this Act takes effect immediately under
18 AS 01.10.070(c).

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Rick Mystrom, Mayor

FIRE DEPARTMENT
Administration
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April 15, 1998

FAX: 907-465-4316

Chairman Joe Green
House of Representative
State Capitol, Rm 406
Juneau AK 99801

Dear Chairman Green:

This letter is to express my support of HB 473. This is a very positive and progressive step in the evolution of the firefighting community. You have witnessed, across the state. The positive effects of the Police Standards Council and the Emergency Medical Standards. It is imperative that the remaining branch of the emergency services triumvirate have the Alaska Fire Standards Council.

Thank you for your interest and assistance in this very necessary endeavor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mike Nolan".

Mike Nolan
Fire Chief



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MEMORANDUM

TO: REPRESENTATIVE JOE GREEN
CHAIRMAN, HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

FROM: SENATOR LOREN LEMAN *Loren Lemans*
CHAIRMAN, SENATE LABOR & COMMERCE COMMITTEE

DATE: APRIL 30, 1998

RE: SCHEDULING SENATE BILL 254

Please schedule Senate Bill 254 (Levy on Permanent Fund Dividend) for a hearing in the House Judiciary Committee. SB 254 was reported from the House Labor & Commerce Committee yesterday (April 29).

SB 254 was introduced January 23 by the Senate Labor and Commerce Committee. The legislation amends AS 43.23.065 to lower the exemption for PFD garnishment from 45 percent to 20 percent. SB 254 passed the Senate on March 19 by a vote of 14 to 1.


Attached is a sponsor statement and copy of the bill. If you have any questions please contact me or my staff aide Mike Pauley at 465-3841.



SENATOR DAVE DONLEY
ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

MEMORANDUM

To: Representative Joe Green
Chair, House Judiciary Committee

From: Senator Dave Donley 

Re: Hearing Request for Senate Bill 304 "An Act relating to offenses committed in a highway work zone"

Date: April 20, 1998

I respectfully request you schedule Senate Bill 304, relating to offenses committed in a highway work zone, for a committee hearing at your earliest convenience.

Senate Bill 304 would double the fines for moving traffic violations in construction zones in an effort to protect highway construction workers. If passed, Alaska would join 26 other states which have increased sanctions for motorists who recklessly endanger the safety of roadway workers.

If you have any questions or need additional information please call myself or James Armstrong of my staff at 465-3892.

DD/jja

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REPRESENTATIVE FRED DYSON

MEMORANDUM

To: Representative Joe Green, Chairman
House Judiciary Committee
From: Representative Fred Dyson *FJD*
Date: April 16, 1998
Re: HB-442

I am respectfully requesting a hearing for HB-442 at your earliest convenience.

We would like the committee to hear teleconferenced testimony from potential witnesses including: Department of Corrections, Allvest Corporation, and operators of Community Residential Centers (CRC).

Please find attached:

- Sponsor Statement
- Sponsor's Substitute HB-442

Before the hearing, I will submit a fiscal note and additional supporting documents.

If you have any questions please contact Pat Harman in my office at x2195

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REPRESENTATIVE MARK D. HODGINS
House District 9

May 1, 1998

Representative Joe Green
Chairman
House Judiciary Committee

RE: Scheduling HB-340 - "An Act relating to Child Abuse and Neglect."

Dear Chairman Green,

HB-340 "An Act relating to Child Abuse, Neglect and child-in-need-of-aid proceedings," has been referred to your committee.

I, respectfully, request a hearing on HB-340 in the House Judiciary committee.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark Hodgins".

Mark Hodgins,
Representative District 9



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Senate Labor & Commerce Committee

Memo

TO: Representative Joe Green, Chairman
House Judiciary Committee

FROM: Senator Loren Leman, Chairman *Loren*
Senate Labor & Commerce Committee, Sponsor

DATE April 29, 1998

RE: Hearing for SB 329: Investment Club License Exemption

Please schedule at your earliest convenience Senate Bill 329, which exempts investment clubs from the requirement to obtain a business license, and clarifies the definition of a business.

I have attached a copy of the bill and sponsor statement.

Thank you for your consideration.