

SCR

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SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

First Committee of Referral

DATE: 1/17/97

FURTHER:

Date of 5-Day Notice: 2/27/97
(in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED
IN TO OFFICE: 3/10/97

Resources Committee considered **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2**
Relating to management of Alaska's wildlife resources.

and recommends:

- be replaced with _____ CS SCR 2 (RES)
- adopt previous _____ CS _____
- attached amendment(s)
- adopt Letter of Intent by _____ Committee
- further referral to the _____ Committee

- Senate Bill:**
 same title
 new title
- House Bill:**
 same title
 technical title
 new: SCR# _____

SIGNING DE/PASS	DP	OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS	NR	DNP	AM
<i>John Lorenson</i>	✓	<i>[Signature]</i>			✓
<i>[Signature]</i>	✓				
<i>[Signature]</i>	✓				
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<i>[Signature]</i>	✓				
<i>Vice CHAIR: Luke Green</i>	✓	CHAIR:			

NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal
<i>Resources</i>	<i>3/7</i>	<i>X</i>	

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):*

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal

APPROPRIATION -- no fiscal note

*include fiscal notes accompanying Governor's bill

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1997 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. SCR 2(RES)

Revision Date 3/7/97 Dept. Affected _____
 Title Management of wildlife resources BRU _____
 Component _____
 Sponsor Taylor _____
 Requester _____ Component Serial No. _____

Expenditures/Revenues

(Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 98	FY 99	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES []						
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FUND SOURCE

(Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts	FY 98	FY 99	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
1091 Designated Program Receipts						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY97) cost: 0.0

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This resolution has no fiscal impact on state agencies.

Prepared by Senate Resources Committee
 Division _____
 Approved by Senator Lyda Green, Vice-Chair *Lyda Green*
 Agency _____

Phone 465-4907
 Date _____
 Date 3/7/97

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Senator Robin L. Taylor
Senate Majority Leader

MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative Scott Ogan, Chairman
House Resources Committee

FROM: Senator Robin Taylor *R.L.T.*

DATE: 15 January 1998

RE: SCR 2 Relating to management of Alaska's wildlife
resources.

Request you schedule SCR 2 for hearing before the House Resources Committee at your earliest convenience.

SCR 2 is a simple resolution which calls on the administration to do everything possible to manage fish and wildlife resources on a biological basis for abundance while maintaining the constitutional mandate for management on a sustained yield basis. If the policies SCR 2 advocates were implemented, the State of Alaska would go a long way toward solving the subsistence dilemma.

A shortage of wildlife will not be solved by determining who may have a preference regarding harvest. An abundance of fish and wildlife for all Alaskans is the only practical solution to the subsistence impasse. Present policies only perpetuate shortages. An abundance of wildlife is what the people of Alaska need, want and demand. Plentiful populations are good for consumptive users, wildlife viewers, photographers and tourists.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Sponsor Statement

Senate Concurrent Resolution 2

SCR 2 is a simple resolution. If the policies it advocates were implemented, the State of Alaska would go a long way toward solving the subsistence dilemma by managing wildlife for abundance.

A shortage of wildlife will not be solved by determining who may have a preference regarding harvest. Our state constitution is very explicit on this issue. Article VIII, Section 3 states "*Wherever occurring in their natural state, fish, wildlife and waters are reserved to the people for common use*".

Our constitution also mandates that fish and game resources be managed on the principle of sustained yield. The current administration has failed to implement an intensive management program that will ensure an abundance of wildlife. Attempting to manage complex wildlife populations by only addressing human use will not work. Alaskans currently harvest less than three percent of the harvestable surplus, an amount so small that it is statistically insignificant.

An abundance of fish and wildlife for all Alaskans is the only practical solution to the subsistence impasse. Present policies only perpetuate shortages. An abundance of wildlife is what the people of Alaska need, want and demand. Plentiful populations are good for consumptive users, wildlife viewers, photographers and tourists.

SCR 2 calls on the administration to do everything possible to implement management based on abundance.

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