

SJR

20

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

First Committee of Referral

DATE: 4/8/99

FURTHER:

Date of 5-Day Notice: Advised for 4/9 meeting
 (in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED IN TO OFFICE: 4/12/99

Resources Committee considered

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20

Relating to the removal of beaver from Washington, D.C.

and recommends:

- be replaced with _____ CS SCR 20 (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 <u>DO</u> PASS	DP	OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS	NR	DNP	AM
		<i>[Signature]</i>	✓		
		<i>[Signature]</i>	✓		
<i>Adm'l. Taylor</i>	✓	<i>[Signature]</i>	✓		
<i>Lynne Drees</i>	✓	<i>[Signature]</i>	✓		
CHAIR: <i>[Signature]</i>	✓	CHAIR:			

NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department Date Zero Fiscal

S. RES	4/9	✓	

APPLIES TO CS

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):*

Department Date Zero Fiscal

APPROPRIATION -- no fiscal note

*include fiscal notes accompanying Governor's bill

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1999 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. SJR 20 | _____

Revision Date 4/8/99 Dept. Affected _____
 Title Save the Beaver in Washington DC BRU _____
 _____ Component _____
 Sponsor Taylor _____
 Requester _____ Component Serial No. _____

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03	FY 04	FY 05
Personal Services						0.0
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						
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 (FY99) cost: 0.0

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This resolution is anticipated to have no fiscal impact on state agencies.

Prepared by Senate Resources Committee Phone 465-4907
 Division Rick Halford Date 4/9/99
 Approved by Senator Rick Halford, Chairman Date _____
 Agency _____

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SPONSOR STATEMENT

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Relating to removal of beaver from Washington, D.C.

The North American beaver inhabited the District of Columbia for eons before the first humans occupied the area. The beaver became extinct in the District of Columbia when development and the Capitals urban sprawl killed them off. Two years ago, one brave pioneering young beaver floated down the Potomac River and is now attempting to establish a colony of beavers, without government subsidy, in an area know as the Tidal Basin. We have decided to give this little critter a name... we are calling him Bucky.

Although Bucky is oblivious of the fact, he qualifies for special protection, under the Endangered Species Act and the land he is using is habitat critical to his survival. Unfortunately the Clinton/Gore Administration is protecting cherry trees instead of Bucky Beaver. Their Park Service employees are harassing poor Bucky by stealing his food and trying to trap him in a cage.

These Federal agencies are required by Federal law to stop all human activities and development projects in that critical habitat area. In fact, this beaver may very well be the latest evolutionary example of beaver adaptation, a unique sub species that has evolved and learned to survive in the polution and corruption that exists in Washington D.C. at almost toxic levels.

Less than 150 years ago, free roaming wild North American beaver lived and raised their young in the Tidal Basin and throughout the District. Government killed them off and now they are going to trap, tranquilize, tag, and transport this beaver out of town.

I say NO – let little Bucky Beaver alone. Enforce your Federal laws and protect him as zealously as you protect Kangaroo Rats and spotted owls. The trees eaten by the beaver were alien species not native to the area, planted for their decorative value.

The beaver lived there first. He is native to the area and his historic use predates mans. If the environmentalists are correctman is the trespasser, not Bucky Beaver.

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