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## HOUSE COMMITTEE REPC 1

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**Date Referred to Committee: February 24, 2005**

**FURTHER REFERENCES:** State Affairs

**Date of Committee Action:** 3-17-05

**The HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS considered:**

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 90(STA)

**CSSB 90(STA)**  
**ALASKA TERRITORIAL GUARD DAY**

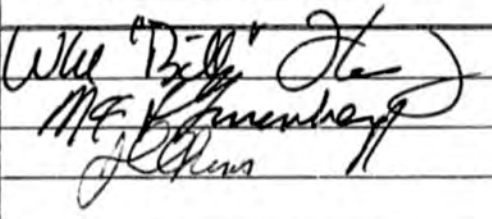
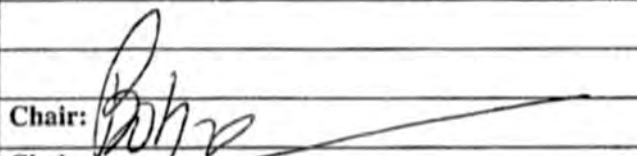
**"An Act relating to Alaska Territorial Guard Day."**

Recommends it be replaced with ☐ HCS or ☐ CS for \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_)   
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- ☐ attach amendments  
☐ add new referral to \_\_\_\_\_ Committee  
☐ Letter of Intent \_\_\_\_\_ Committee

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## Charlie Huggins Senator

February 28, 2005

The Honorable Bob Lynn, Chair  
House Military & Veterans Affairs Committee  
Alaska State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 415  
Juneau AK 99801

RE: SB 90 (Alaska Territorial Guard Day)

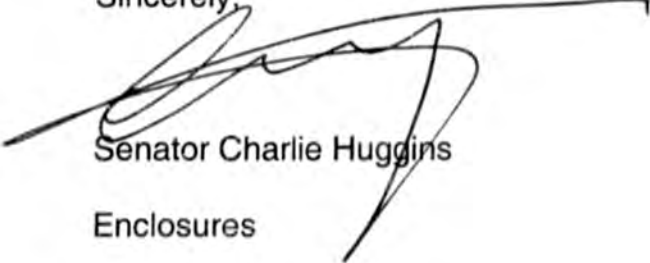
Dear Representative:

Senate Bill 90 has passed out of the Senate and is now referred to your committee. I am writing to request that the bill be scheduled for the earliest convenient hearing before the Military & Veterans Affairs Committee.

Included with this letter of request is the latest version of the bill and my sponsor statement.

If you have any questions about the bill or require further information, please feel free to call me at any time. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Senator Charlie Huggins

Enclosures

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**Senator**

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## SPONSOR STATEMENT

### SENATE BILL 90

#### Alaska Territorial Guard Day

Senate Bill 90 would declare October 18 as Alaska Territorial Guard Day.

December 7, 1941, Japanese forces bombed Pearl Harbor in a surprise attack on the United States Navy. Around six months later, the Japanese seized the islands of Attu and Kiska and bombed Dutch Harbor killing forty-three Americans. Soon after, Governor Ernest Gruening was assigned two military aides to assist him in forming the Alaska Territorial Guard in order to protect and defend the US Territory that was Alaska. The first, Captain Carl Schneibner, was responsible for organizing the Guard in the Interior. The second, Major Marvin "Muktuk" Marston, was responsible for organizing the Guard on the Bering and Arctic Coasts. These two men went to their recruiting areas with a message from the President of the United States and the Governor of Alaska, asking for help in defending the Alaska Territory. Their combined efforts resulted in a total number of about 6,500 predominately Alaskan Native men signing up to defend their Territory, Country and the general good of all mankind. Dressed in WWI uniforms and shouldering Enfield rifles, the Alaska Territorial Guard succeeded in defending Alaska until its disbandment in the month of March 1947. After the disbandment, Gov. Gruening included members into the regular Alaska National Guard as scout battalions.

Until the year of 2004, these valiant volunteers had not been recognized as veterans. On October 18, the first members of the Alaska Territorial Guard were recognized by the United States Army as Veterans. This bill is dedicated to the memory of those who served so bravely for our great state.

Contact Information:  
Ryan Moore - Legislative Staff  
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Version: HB 201  
Sponsor: Chenault  
Contact: Erich Deland: 465-3779  
Date: 03-17-05  
Action: (H) MLV » (H) STA

#### SB 36: ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Requires that requests for absentee ballots by mail be submitted directly by the absentee voter to the division of elections.

Prohibits a person from encouraging or assisting in a violation of this requirement. Establishes a penalty for first offense and repeat convictions.

Version: HCS CS SB 36 (STA)  
Sponsor: Therriault  
Contact: Dave Stancliff: 465-4797  
Date: 03-17-05  
Action: (H) STA » (H) JUD

#### SB 90: ALASKA TERRITORIAL GUARD DAY

Declares October 18 of each year as Alaska Territorial Guard Day.

Version: CS SB 90 (STA)  
Sponsor: Huggins  
Contact: Ryan Moore: 465-3878  
Date: 02-24-05  
Action: (H) STA » (H) MLV

#### SB 98: FAST TRACK SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS/CBRF

Passed House 34 to 3. SB 98 puts \$854 million of general funds into a new public education fund established earlier this session by HB 158, which has been transmitted to the Governor for signature. The \$854 million includes \$400 million from the projected \$500 million Fiscal Year 05 surplus, \$440 million in FY 06 general funds and \$14 million lapsing from the FY 05 K-12 budget. The bill also provides about \$102 million in 'Fast Track' supplemental funding to cover Fiscal Year

05 needs including: \$28.2 million for work efforts for the Gas Pipeline; \$58.7 million in federal funds for roadway, airport and other transportation needs; \$5 million for computer network security needs; \$6 million for infrastructure upgrades to Alaska's Land Mobile Radio system; and \$79 million in federal and state funding for Medicaid caseload and cost increases.

Version: HCS SB 98 (FIN) Am H  
Sponsor: Governor  
Contact: James Armstrong: 465-3709  
Date: 03-17-05  
Action: Passed House » Senate

#### SB 124: FISHERIES BUSINESS LICENSE; BOND

Requires fisheries business license holders to pay all required taxes and fines in order to obtain and maintain their license. License holders must pay taxes including assessments supporting the Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute, employment security contributions, local fish taxes and any fines levied by the Alaska Occupational Safety and Health Administration. The bill is intended to prevent fishing businesses from obtaining a license if they repeatedly demonstrate an unwillingness to pay taxes and fines that support the fishing industry and ensure workplace safety. SB 124 also repeals and reenacts a requirement for primary fish buyers and fish processors to have a performance bond. The proposed bond requirements enhance protections for employees and fishermen without placing additional requirements or costs on processors with no history of problems.