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## MEMORANDUM

March 18, 2008

**SUBJECT:** Amendment to Uniform Rules (HCS CSSCR 15(STA))

**TO:** Representative Bob Lynn  
Chair of the House State Affairs Committee  
Attn: Nancy Manly

**FROM:** Tamara Brandt Cook  
Director

TBC

Here is the State Affairs Committee Substitute reported from committee. Please note that, as the second amendment to the Uniform Rules was deleted, the title of the resolution needed to be changed to refer to "an amendment" rather than to "amendments" to the Uniform Rules.

Although this slight title change has been made in the second house, be assured that this does not create a problem under the Uniform Rules provisions that restrict title changes. Those rules apply to bills, but do not specifically apply to most resolutions. (Uniform Rule 24(c), 35, 41, and 42) Only joint resolutions are subject to the title change rules because, under Uniform Rule 49(a)(3) a joint resolution is "treated in all respects as a bill. . . ."

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Enclosure

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Re: SCR 15 Amend Uniform Rules: Standing Committees

3-18-08

SCR 15 Version C passed out of the House State Affairs Committee this morning with one amendment. Please draft a final STA CS. Thank you.

Version 25-LS1348\C

Amendment #1 (Roses)  
(see attached)

Roses moved  
Coghline objected & then removed

AMENDMENT # 1

OFFERED IN:

Passed

25-LS1348/C

TO: CS SCR 15 (SED)

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**Senate Concurrent Resolution 15**  
**SPONSOR STATEMENT**

**"Proposing an amendment to the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature relating to standing committees."**

SJR 15 is the product of intensive work by the Joint Legislative Education Funding Task Force. The Task Force's report, published on September 1, 2007, features 5 pieces of legislation being forwarded to the Legislature to change certain components to Alaska's state education policy. SJR 15 creates a standing Education Committee in each body of the Legislature.

SJR 15 represents the first and "immediate recommendation" of the Joint Legislative Education Funding Task Force. In light of a shorter legislative session, the Task Force determined that it would best suit the Legislature's mandate to fund education, and to set comprehensive education policy, by creating a standing education committee.

To give justice to the technical and complex system of reviewing and updating Alaska's Foundation Formula funding, including all its various components, and considering the breadth and scope of influence the statewide University system has on our state, the Task Force has judged that creating a stand-alone education committee in the Legislature would be the best means to put continual legislative focus on these policy areas.

Thanks you for considering this important change to our committee structure.

# FISCAL NOTE

**STATE OF ALASKA**  
**2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

Fiscal Note Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bill Version: SCR15  
 () Publish Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Identifier (file name): SCR15-LEG-COU-01-29-08 Dept. Affected: Legislature  
 Title: "Proposing an amendment to the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature relating to standing..." RDU: Legislative Council  
 Component: Session Expenses  
 Sponsor: Senator Stevens by Request  
 Requester: Senate Special Committee on Education Component Number: 782

**Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)**

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

	Appropriation Required	Information						
		FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>								
Personal Services								
Travel								
Contractual								
Supplies								
Equipment								
Land & Structures								
Grants & Claims								
Miscellaneous								
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>								
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<b>CHANGE IN REVENUES ( )</b>								
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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								
Other Interagency Receipts								
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: \_\_\_\_\_

**POSITIONS**

Full-time								
Part-time								
Temporary								

**ANALYSIS:** (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This legislation has zero fiscal impact on the Legislative Affairs Agency.

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(excerpt)  
**Joint Legislative Education Funding Task Force  
Report to the Governor and Legislature**

**September 1, 2007**  
(page 4)

**Immediate recommendations and further consideration of education issues:**

The JLETF recognizes that school funding policy is an ongoing constitutionally mandated responsibility of the legislature. To better meet that responsibility, the JLETF recommends immediate action, as described in this report, augmented by a long-term commitment to continue the process undertaken by the JLETF. This report identifies a number of specific policies for implementation during the second regular session of the Twenty-fifth Alaska State Legislature and identifies other issues with provisions of the school funding formula that merit further legislative consideration.

The JLETF recommends that the legislature's further consideration of education and education funding issues merit the regular and continuing attention of dedicated committees separate and apart from the Standing Committees for Health and Social Services. Standing Committees on Education should be established during the second regular session of the Twenty-fifth Alaska State Legislature. These education committees should be formally charged with recurring review of the foundation formula, regularly updating district cost differentials, general education policy and University of Alaska oversight.

## Standing Education Committees Among State Legislatures

State Legislature	# Stand Alone Education Cmtes (House, Senate)	Standing Committee Name(s) [SubCommittees noted, but not tallied]
Alabama	2,1	House: Education Appropriations, Education Policy; Senate: Education
Alaska	0,0	Health, Education, & Social Services; [Appropriations SubCmtes for Education, University]
Arizona	2,2	Education (K-12), Higher Education
Arkansas	1,1	Education
California	1,1	Education
Colorado	1,1	Education
Connecticut	1,1	Education, Higher Education & Employment Advancement
Delaware	1,1	Education
Florida	3,5	House: Cmte on Education Innovation & Career Preparation, Cmte on K-12 Education, Cmte on Postsecondary Education; Senate: Education Facilities Approps, PreK-12 Education, PreK-12 Approps, Higher Education, Higher Education Approps.
Georgia	2,2	House: Education, Higher Education; Senate: Education & Youth, Higher Education
Hawaii	2,1	House: Education, Higher Education; Senate: Education
Idaho	1,1	Education
Illinois	2,1	House: Elementary & Secondary Education, Higher Education; Senate: Education
Indiana	1,1	House: Education; Senate: Education & Career Development
Iowa	1,1	Education
Kansas	2,1	House: Education, Education Budget; Senate: Education
Kentucky	1,1	Education
Louisiana	1,1	Education
Maine	0	(Joint House/Senate) Education & Cultural Affairs
Maryland	0,0	House: [Approps SubCmte on Education & Economic Development], [Ways & Means SubCmte on Education]; Senate: Education, Health & Environmental Affairs [w/ Education SubCmte]
Massachusetts	1	(Joint House/Senate) Education
Michigan	1,1	Education
Minnesota	2,1	House: K-12 Education, Higher Education; Senate: Education
Mississippi	2,2	Education, Universities & Colleges
Missouri	3,1	House: Education Appropriations, Elementary & Secondary Education, Higher Education; Senate: Education
Montana	1,0	House: Education; Senate: Education & Cultural Resources
Nebraska	1	Education
Nevada	1,0	House: Education; Senate: Human Resources & Education
New Hampshire	1,1	Education
New Jersey	2,1	House: Education, Higher Education; Senate: Education
New Mexico	1,1	Education
New York	2,2	Education, Higher Education
North Carolina	1,4	House: [Approps SubCmte on Education], Education [w/ SubCmtes on K-12, Community Colleges, University]; Senate: Standing Appropriations Committee: Public Instruction, Approp Cmte: Higher Education, Cmte on Education Policy /Higher Education, Cmte on Education Policy /Public Instruction

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North Dakota	2,1	House: Education Appropriations, Education; Senate: Education
Ohio	2,1	House: Higher Education Appropriations, Education; Senate: Education
Oklahoma	1,1	House: Education [w/ SubCmtes on Arts & Culture, Common Education, and Higher Educ. & Career Tech.]; Senate: Education
Oregon	1,0	House: Education; Senate: Education & General Government
Pennsylvania	1,1	Education
Rhode Island	0,1	House: Health, Education, & Welfare; Senate: Education
South Carolina	0,1	House: Education & Public Works; Senate: Education
South Dakota	1,1	Education
Tennessee	1,1	Education
Texas	3,1	House: [Approps SubCmte on Education], Cmte on Higher Education, Cmte on Higher & Public Education Financing, Cmte on Public Education; Senate: Education [w/ Higher Education SubCmte]
Utah	1,1	House: Education, [Approps SubCmte on Higher Education], [Approps SubCmte on Public Education]; Senate: Education
Vermont	1,1	Education
Virginia	1,0	House: [Approps SubCmte's for Elementary & Secondary Ed, Higher Ed], Education [w/ SubCmte's on Standards of Quality, Students & Day Care, Teachers & Administrative Action, and Higher Education]; Senate: Education & Health, [w/ SubCmtes on Public Ed, and Higher Ed]
Washington	2,2	Education, Higher Education, [Approps SubCmte on Education]; Senate: Early Learning & K-12 Education, Higher Education
West Virginia	1,1	Education
Wisconsin	3,1	House: Colleges & Universities, Education, Education Reform; Senate: Agriculture & Higher Education, Education
Wyoming	1,1	Education

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# Memorandum

**To: Representative Bob Lynn, Chair  
House State Affairs Committee**

**From: Senator Gary Stevens** 

**Date: March 4, 2008**

**Re: SCR 15 Hearing Request**

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I respectfully request a hearing of SCR 15 before the House State Affairs Committee, "Proposing an amendment to the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature relating to standing committees." SCR 15 is informally known as the Education Committee bill.

In the enclosed packet is the sponsor statement, a copy of the original version of the bill, the Senate Special Committee on Education's committee substitute, some background materials, and a zero fiscal note from the LAA.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please contact myself, or my aide Tim Lamkin at extension 4925 with any questions you may have.