

HB

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SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 5/3/07

FURTHER: Finance

DATE TURNED IN TO OFFICE: 5/7/07

Resources Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 87(FIN) am

HB 87 CITIZEN ADVISORY COMM ON FEDERAL AREAS

"An Act relating to the Citizens' Advisory Commission on Federal Management Areas in Alaska; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends:

- be replaced with SCS or CS _____ (_____)
- adopt previous SCS or CS _____ (_____)
- attached amendment(s)
- adopt _____ Letter of Intent
- further referral to _____ Committee

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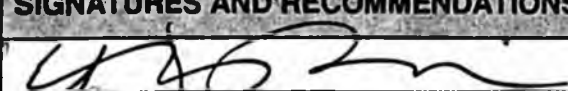



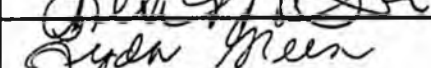
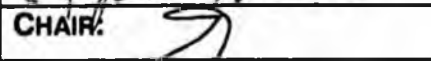

NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN#

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN#
LEG	2/7			✓	32
DNR	4/12	✓			4

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	PRINTED LAST NAME	Do PASS	DO NOT PASS	NO REC	AMEND
	Wielechowski			✓	
	WAGONER			✓	
	HUSAMS	✓			
	Stebbins				
	McBride	✓			
	Green	✓			
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Senate Resources Committee

Butrovich – Room 205

Monday, May 7, 2007

3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

AGENDA

- + **HB 87 CITIZEN ADVISORY COMM. ON FEDERAL AREAS**
Testimony: Time Limit May be Set

- + **HB 220 PROHIBIT COMPUTER ASSISTED HUNTING**
Testimony: Time Limit May be Set

- + **SB 57 MARINE PARKS ADDITIONS/HUNTING ALLOWED**
Testimony: Time Limit May be Set

- + **SJR 4 NATURAL GAS FOR STATE RESIDENTS**
Testimony: Time Limit May be Set

- + **HJR 4 KENAI/KASILOF SUBSISTENCE PRIORITY**
Testimony: Time Limit May be Set

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MEMORANDUM

To: Senator Charlie Huggins, Chair, Senate Resources Committee

From: Representative Mike Kelly *Mike*

Date: May 3, 2007

Re: Committee Hearing Request – CSHB 87 “An Act reestablishing the Citizens’ Advisory Commission on Federal Areas in Alaska”

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I respectfully request that CSHB 87 “An Act reestablishing the Citizens’ Advisory Commission on Federal Areas in Alaska” be scheduled for a hearing at your earliest convenience. Attached you will find a copy of CS HB87 (FIN), Sponsor Statement, Fiscal Note, and letters of support.

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If I can provide any other relevant information or answer any immediate questions you might have, feel free to contact me directly at extension 4976 or contact Sue Stancliff at extension 4936.

Thank you.

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19 specify the term of office of each member appointed subject to this section.

20 * **Sec. 4.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

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REPRESENTATIVE MIKE KELLY

May 8, 2007

Dear Senator Huggins,

Thank you for passing HB 87 Citizens' Advisory Commission on Federal Areas (CACFA) from the Senate Resources committee.

"The need for this commission is crucial and it is immediate."

--Alaska Miners Association

I invite you to join as a co-sponsor of this important legislation.

Thanks again,



Rep. Mike Kelly

May 7, 2007

Senate Resources Bill Packet

Enclosures: Fiscal Notes in inside packet

1. CSHB 87 – Citizens’ Advisory Commission on Federal Areas4 pages
2. CSHB 87 Sponsor Statement1 page
3. Letters of Support5 pages

~~Attachment 1: CSHB 87 – Citizens’ Advisory Commission on Federal Areas~~

Talking Points - HB87 CACFA

- The Citizens' Advisory Commission on Federal Areas was established in 1981 to provide assistance to the citizens of Alaska who are affected by the management of federal lands within the state.
- The Commission was repealed after Governor Knowles removed funding, even though the legislature approved the sunset extension to 2003.
- Mission is to provide assistance to the public affected by the management or sometimes mismanagement of federal lands within the state.
- The Commission had been effective in assuring that land management decisions were consistent with both statutory language and Congressional intent. They became known as effective problem solvers.
- Responsible for researching issues and determining the impact of federal statutes, regulations and management decisions on the citizens of Alaska.
- Even lands with no specific statutory conservation restrictions are subject to steadily increasing administrative designations and withdrawals that can result in reductions in public uses, including hunting, fishing, trapping, timber harvest, mineral extraction, grazing, access and other resource use opportunities on the Federal public lands.
- Responsible public access and traditional uses on the federal lands are just as important to citizens and communities throughout the state today as they were when the Commission was originally created.
- The Public needs the assistance the Commission previously provided. Without help, Who do they contact? Some will contact the congressional delegation staff. Some may contact the federal agency. Others may contact a state official. These folks only engage intermittently and often don't know the federal land management regulations or Federal managers.
- The commission's executive director researches federal rules and so can best advise whether and how to request that the federal land manager reconsider a previous decision or confirm that the information was correct or advise on how to clear up a misunderstanding.

Statement by Supporters

Minerals Commission

The economic constitutional rights of private property owners, including owners of valid mining property in-holdings within National Parks in Alaska must be recognized, protected and respected.

We find that a number of federal land issues are becoming problems and continue to be problems year-after-year.

Fairbanks North Star Borough

"... a percentage of Alaska's land remains owned and regulated by the federal government. For us to ignore the need for citizen representation as decisions are made that affect our use of that land is wrong."

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Kenai River Sport-fishing Association

"...commission should be reestablished to assure that federal land management decisions are consistent with both statutory language and congressional intent, and protecting the interests of Alaska's citizens."

Alaska Outdoor Council

"AOC supports the passage of HB87 - Alaska's future lies in the land."

Examples of the Commission's effectiveness

The development of the Kodiak plan

- There was a strong leaning by planners to proceed with extreme limitations on the public use of those cabins.
- *The inclement weather and bears make those cabins invaluable.*
- They attempted to eliminate those cabins on the refuge.
- It was not an issue the State would deal with.
- The Commission raised the issues and the original decisions are "sticking".

Trapping Cabins

- Protected under ANILCA; the federal managers have a history of wanting to eliminate those cabins.
- The Commission worked with trappers to cut through red tape.

Commission was effective in Title 1 of ANILCA boundaries adopted under the Alaska Lands Act

- The National Park Service did not publish their boundaries after four years.
- The Commission brought the issues forward and was successful in having the boundaries mapped.

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April 27, 2007

Honorable Mike Kelly
Alaska State House
Capitol Building
Juneau, AK 99801

RE: House Bill 87, Citizens' Advisory Commission on Federal Areas

Dear Representative Kelly,

The Alaska Miners Association supports House Bill 87 which would reestablish a Citizens' Advisory Commission on Federal Areas. This Commission will fill an important need in our state where 59% of the land area is held by the federal government and an even greater percentage is affected by what is and is not done on the federal lands.

For many years after passage of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) such a commission was in place. That commission provided valuable input regarding actions by the federal land management agencies and was in a sense a reservoir of information on the actions, proposals and promises made by federal agencies.

The need for this Commission is crucial and it is immediate. Actions by federal agencies continue to erode away the rights and promises that have been made to the State of Alaska and to the citizens of the state. In some cases these actions are due to ignorance of the past. In other instances the actions add questionable new conditions and restrictions and grab for more power. There is therefore need for a Commission like the one being proposed that will, at the very least, expose these actions to the light of public scrutiny.

We urge that this bill be passed and enacted at the earliest possible date.

Sincerely,

Steven C. Borell, P.E.
Executive Director



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January 29, 2007

Representative Carl Gatto, Co-Chairman
Representative Craig Johnson, Co-Chairman
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Representatives,

The Alaska Outdoor Council (AOC) supports the passage of HB 87 – Re-establishing the Citizens' Advisory Commission on Federal Areas in Alaska.

The AOC is a statewide group of 2,500 members and 45 clubs for a collective membership of 10,000 Alaskans. Our members enjoy the Alaskan outdoor lifestyle and traditions that are so unique to our state. As you know, the federal government owns and manages millions of acres of land in Alaska. Many of our members have historically used those lands for the taking of fish, game, and other resources as well as for outdoor recreational enjoyment.

Since the passage of ANILCA, in addition to other subsequent federal legislation and administrative rule-making, a number of conflicts have arisen between Alaskans and their federal government. In its former life, the Citizen's Advisory Commission was effective in defining those conflicts so our state policymakers could address them. AOC believes that recent decisions by federal bureaucrats to redefine the balance of power between our state and federal government necessitate a response by the legislature to empanel, and empower, Alaskans.

Alaska's future lies in the land. What will keep future generations here if we can not access federal lands to hunt, fish, trap, dig, recreate, and yes, just view the landscape? With these issues of land ownership, management, and control, so vitally important, it is equally important that we have someone to focus solely on such issues. Please re-establish the Citizen's Advisory Commission on Federal Areas in Alaska as that entity.

Sincerely,

Rod Arno, Executive Director



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Irene Anderson, Chairman

Department of Commerce, Community & Economic Development
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February 9, 2007

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The Honorable Mike Kelly
Alaska House of Representatives
State Capitol, Rm 513
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Representative Kelly:

The Alaska Minerals Commission is pleased to advise its support of HB 87, "An Act relating to the Citizens' Advisory Commission on Federal Management Areas in Alaska; and providing for an effective date."

We find that a number of federal land issues are becoming problems and others continue to be problems year-after-year. See our "Report of the 2007 Alaska Minerals Commission", pages 14 – 16 and 4. Of particular importance are

- ANILCA Mineral Assessments
- Outdated Land Segregations
- Coal Program Federal Funding
- RS 2477 Rights-of-Way (p. 4 of our report)
- Navigability Determinations (p. 4 of our report)
- Private In-holdings in National Parks – we find significant abuse to providing fair compensation for "takings" of mining claims.

We believe that your bill will provide the mechanism for resolving these issues in an reasonable and effective manner.

Yours truly,

Irene Anderson
Chairman



January 25, 2007

The Honorable Mike Kelly
State Capitol, Room 513
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Representative Kelly,

The Kenai River Sportfishing Association (KRSA) supports the legislative objective of House Bill 87, an act reestablishing the Citizens' Advisory Commission on Federal Management Areas in Alaska.

We agree that the commission should be reestablished to assure that Federal land management decisions are consistent with both statutory language and Congressional intent, and in protecting the interests of Alaska's citizens.

We feel that if reestablished, it will be of utmost importance that the commission:

- Be fully funded at levels that will ensure it will provide the maximum benefit;
- Remain independent of any particular state agency;
- Have the ability to request the attorney general file suit against a federal official or agency if the commission determines the federal official or agency is acting in violation of an Act of Congress, congressional intent, or the best interests of the state; and,
- Have the ability to file suit, independently of the state, or to provide assistance to citizens in those instances where the courts deem the state cannot bring a suit on behalf of its citizens.

State and Federal management of the resources within their respective jurisdictions continues to develop through time. We believe it is vitally important for the state to have a citizens' commission to monitor and keep pace with these important developments. We support HB 87, an act that would reestablish the Citizens' Advisory Commission of Federal Management Areas in Alaska.

Please contact me at your convenience if there are any questions or concerns. Thank you for your time and effort in this important concern.

Respectfully,

Ricky Gease
Executive Director



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12 February, 2007

Dear Committee Members,

I am writing today to express my support of **HB 87: Citizen Advisory Commission On Federal Areas** and to thank Representative Mike Kelly for his sponsorship of this valuable piece of legislation.

Too large a percentage of Alaska's land remains owned and regulated by the federal government. For us to ignore the need for citizen representation as decisions are made that affect our use of that land is wrong.

Furthermore, these important needs will be addressed at a diminutive cost to our state budget.

I **fully support this legislation** recognizing the enormous cost to Alaska if we fail to participate in the process that governs the future of our lands and the uses applied to them.

Sincerely,

Jim Whitaker, Mayor
Fairbanks North Star Borough

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2007 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 4
 Bill Version: CSHB 87(FIN)
 (H) Publish Date: 4/19/07

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: Natural Resources
 Title: Citizens Advisory Commission on RDU: Resource Development
Federal Areas Component: CACFA
 Sponsor: Rep. Kelly Component No.: New
 Requester: H FIN

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Personal Services	166.3	166.3	166.3	166.3	166.3	166.3
Travel	34.0	34.0	34.0	34.0	34.0	34.0
Contractual	32.4	32.4	32.4	32.4	32.4	32.4
Supplies	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Equipment	9.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	246.2	236.7	236.7	236.7	236.7	236.7

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	246.2	236.7	236.7	236.7	236.7	236.7
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	246.2	236.7	236.7	236.7	236.7	236.7

Estimate of any current year (FY2007) cost: 0.0

Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2008 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

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

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This legislation reestablishes the Citizens' Advisory Commission on Federal Management Areas in Alaska. The fiscal note establishes a new budget component to reflect these costs.

This Commission was housed in the Department of Natural Resources from FY1987 through FY1999. The budget included funding for an Executive Director and a small amount of travel and commodities. The funding for the Commission was eliminated in FY2000 under a statewide unallocated budget reduction.

Prepared by: Dick Mylius Phone 907-269-8625
 Division: Director, Mining Land and Water Date/Time 4/12/2007
 Approved by: Tom Irwin, Commissioner Date 4/12/2007
 Agency: Natural Resources

FISCAL NOTE #4

**STATE OF ALASKA
2007 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

BILL NO. CSHB 87(FIN)

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

This fiscal note addresses the cost for the department to support the reestablished Citizens Advisory Commission on Federal Areas, including travel/per diem for commission meetings/hearings, and providing for a full-time director and support staff located in Fairbanks.

Commission Member Support

We have assumed that the commission will meet three times per year, once each in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau. Distribution of the locations is intended to provide uniform access of residents to commission meetings and distribute the burden of travel evenly between the commission members.

TRAVEL (airfare, lodging and per diem for 12 Commission members) - \$30.0

Commission Staff

PERSONAL SERVICES COST - \$166.3 annual cost:

Director- One Natural Resource Manager (NRM) II (range 20C) - 12 Mo./yr. = \$93.1

One Natural Resource Specialist (NRS) II (range 16C) - 12 Mo./yr. = \$73.2 for meeting planning/preparation, issues review/research, and general support to director and commission members.

TRAVEL, CONTRACTUAL, SUPPLIES

Travel estimated at \$4.0 annually to attend public meetings/hearings held in either Fairbanks or Juneau.

Contractual is estimated to be \$20.0 annually to cover the costs to provide for meeting facilities, ads and public notice of scheduled commission meetings or hearings. For a minimum of three commission meetings per year the cost of legal notices would be a minimum of \$6.3/yr. An additional \$4.0 is requested to provide public display ads to maximize public awareness and notification of proposed commission meetings and hearings. While the department anticipates that public-owned meeting facilities would be used whenever possible, \$4.0 is estimated to rent meeting facilities when no public facilities are available or sufficient to accommodate the anticipated public attendance. Finally, \$5.7 is budgeted to facilitate the commission holding public meetings and hearings in communities statewide as proposed in section 1 of the legislation (proposed AS 41.37.220). Historically, the commission held such meetings to identify and address local issues and concerns.

Other contractual costs include \$12.4 annually for office space, telephones, core allocated service charges and related expenses for the two new positions starting in FY08.

Supplies are budgeted at \$4.0 per year. FY08 includes one-time start-up costs for computer and office equipment of \$9.5.