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Charlie Huggins Senator

March 27, 2009

To: Senator Linda Menard, Chair
Senate State Affairs Committee

From: Senator Charlie Huggins

Subject: Request to Schedule SJR 17 for a Hearing

I respectfully request the scheduling of SJR 17, "Designating 2009 as the Year of the Noncommissioned Officer Corps of the United States Army." for a hearing before the Senate State Affairs Committee at your earliest convenience.

Please contact Josh Tempel, staff person for the Joint Alaska State Legislative Veterans' Caucus, with any questions on the details of this bill.

Please find attached pertinent information for the committee.

Thank you.

Attachments

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Sponsor Statement SJR 17

"Designating 2009 as the Year of the Noncommissioned Officer Corps of the United States Army."

The Non-Commissioned Officers are the backbone of the Army, an invaluable wealth of information, knowledge and experience. They are the main cog in the wheel that allows the Army to operate at a time when limits are stretched, while fighting wars on two separate fronts. They are one of the most effective tools that a commander has at his or her disposal, to ensure that their Soldiers are mission ready. They often have more time in the Army than the commanders in charge of them and don't hesitate to take a new commander under their wing, to guide them and help them learn the idiosyncrasies of the unit that they command. They are the first-line supervisors in the Army, the ones who know each of the soldiers in their unit, their strengths and weaknesses. They are sometimes a teacher, ensuring that the soldiers underneath them receive the appropriate training and that they are mission ready. They don't seek accolades and often don't get credit for the important work that they do

Over the next year, the Army will develop new programs that will help to enhance the training opportunities, educational opportunities and the capability of the NCO Corps. This is a great step forward for the Army, as they recognize the importance of the NCO's and the wealth of experience that they bring to the table. The NCO is often the person, who takes a brand new company commander, under their wing and teaches them the ropes, so that they can operate effectively in their role as commander. The NCOs know their jobs as well as the jobs of others. They know the equipment they use and they know the soldiers they lead. They're able to recognize developing problems and take action to ensure that little problems don't escalate into something much worse.

NCOs operate mostly in the background, to ensure that the day to day operations of their company run smoothly. They work side by side with their soldiers, setting a good example and ensuring that those soldiers are the best that they can be. Like a supervisor in the civilian world, they may be tasked to deal with things outside the scope of their expertise. They are adept at locating the resources they need to address these difficulties. They're able to adapt and overcome barriers and teach those skills to the soldiers they lead. They wear many hats during the course of their duties. To the soldiers they lead, they serve as mentor, father or mother figure, teacher, disciplinarian and friend. To their leaders they're the expert, the advisor, the sounding board, the teacher and mentor.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2009 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
 Bill Version: SJR 17
 () Publish Date: _____

Identifier (file name): _____ Dept. Affected: _____
 Title SJR 17 DESIGNATING 2009 AS THE YEAR OF ARMY NCO RDU _____
 Component _____
 Sponsor Senators HUGGINS, Stevens
 Requester (S) State Affairs Committee Component Number _____

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation Required	Information						
		FY 2010	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
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	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES								
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()								
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 2010	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
1002 Federal Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF							
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other Interagency Receipts							
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2009) cost: _____

POSITIONS

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Prepared by: SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
 Division: _____
 Approved by: /s/ Senator Menard, Chair

Phone 465-6600
 Date/Time 4/7/09 12:00 AM
 Date 4/7/2009

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT
First Committee of Referral

DATE: 3/27/09

FURTHER:

Rules

Date of 5-Day Notice: 4/2/09
 (in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED
 IN TO OFFICE: 4/7/09

State Affairs Committee considered SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17

SJR 17 DESIGNATING 2009 AS THE YEAR OF ARMY NCO

Designating 2009 as the Year of the Noncommissioned Officer Corps of the United States Army.

and recommends:

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

SENATE BILL:
<input type="checkbox"/> Same Title
<input type="checkbox"/> New Title
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HOUSE BILL:
<input type="checkbox"/> Same Title
<input type="checkbox"/> Technical Title Change
<input type="checkbox"/> New Title w/ SCR # _____

NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Indet	Zero	FN#

FN Forming

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Indet	Zero	FN#

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	PRINTED LAST NAME	DO PASS	DO NOT PASS	NO REC	AMEND
	French	X			
	Meyer	X			
	KOOKKOO	X			
	PASWAN	X			
CHAIR:	MENARD	X			