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State of Alaska

Department of Public Safety

Sean Parnell, Governor
Joseph A. Masters, Commissioner

March 5, 2012

The Honorable Bob Lynn, Chair
House State Affairs Committee
State Capitol Room 108
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Representative Lynn:

During a House State Affairs Committee meeting on February 21, 2012, several questions were asked that pertain to the Alaska fire service personnel fund under AS 18.70.360. The responses to those questions are being submitted per your request.

Q: What does the Fire Services Personnel Fund do?

A: The fire services personnel fund under AS 18.70.360 was established to allow the Alaska Fire Standards Council (AFSC) to receive appropriations from the legislature related to insurance premium fees, or a tax credit for donations under AS 21.89.075, to support funding for fire services programs (i.e., standardized industry training and certification requirements).

Q: Is this personnel fund operating?

A: No. The insurance premium fee was never implemented and there have been no insurance company donations under AS 21.89.075 for appropriation to this fund.

Q: Is there any money in the fund and if so, how much?

A: No.

Q: Has there ever been any money in the fund?

A: No.

Q: What is the Alaska Fire Standards Council's policy on expending these funds?

A: If funding were appropriated for the Fire Services Personnel Fund, the AFSC would consider expenditures that would have the greatest impact related to improving fire service training and performance standards for the Alaska fire service.

Q: Why has it never been implemented?

A: When the statutes creating the AFSC were enacted in 1998 there was no initial support to appropriate funds for insurance premiums specific to the AFSC. Additionally, no donations for insurance tax credits have ever been made for legislative consideration towards appropriations under AS 18.70.360.

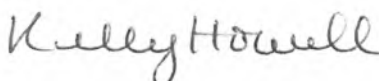
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The AFSC will review AS 18.70.360 at its next meeting in the Fall of 2012 to determine whether to forward a formal recommendation regarding any repeal of or amendment to that statute.

Sincerely,



Kelly Howell
Legislative Liaison

Cc: Gordon Descutner, Executive Director, AFSC (via email)
Bryan (Buddy) Lane, Chair, AFSC (via email)

Nancy Manly

From: Erin Shine
Sent: Monday, February 20, 2012 10:51 AM
To: Nancy Manly
Subject: RE: HB 304 Call In's

Hi Nancy,

I've got another one for teleconference tomorrow to answer questions:

- Gordon Descutner, Administrator for the Alaska Fire Standards Council

Thanks!

Erin Shine
Office of Representative Craig Johnson
Anchorage House District 28
Phone: 907-465-6871

From: Nancy Manly
Sent: Monday, February 20, 2012 9:46 AM
To: Erin Shine
Subject: RE: HB 304 Call In's

Thank you! ☺

Nancy Manly, Chief of Staff and
House State Affairs Committee Aide *for*
Representative Bob Lynn
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From: Erin Shine
Sent: Monday, February 20, 2012 8:52 AM
To: Nancy Manly
Subject: HB 304 Call In's

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Sponsor Statement for House Bill 304 Alaska Fire Standards Council

"An Act relating to the membership of the Alaska Fire Standards Council."

House Bill 304 makes two changes to the membership of the Alaska Fire Standards Council (the Council): it designates an existing seat to a member of the Alaska Professional Fire Fighters Association and it adds a seat that must be filled by a member of the Alaska Fire Chiefs Association.

The mission of the Council is to establish (1) professional standards for fire service personnel and (2) curriculum requirements for the certification of training programs. The 11-member Council must include:

- two chief administrative officers or fire chiefs of local governments;
- four representatives of fire fighters (including at least one fire fighter administrative officer from the Alaska State Fire Fighters Association);
- two volunteer fire fighters (one from a community of less than 2,500; one from a community of greater than 2,500);
- two members of the public at-large (one from a community of less than 2,500; one from a community of greater than 2,500);
- The State Fire Marshall or his/her designee.

The Alaska Professional Fire Firefighters Association (APFFA), which is the Alaska affiliate of the International Association of Fire Fighters, represents roughly 500 professional career fire fighters throughout the state.

The mission of the Alaska Fire Chiefs Association (AFCA) is to serve the people of the State of Alaska by influencing fire and emergency service programs and legislation; advancement of fire and emergency services professionals; and providing for the safety and well-being of fire fighters and their communities.

Under HB 304, the Governor appoints one member of the APFFA and one member of the AFCA to the Council from "a list of at least three nominees submitted by each association."

The intent of HB 304 is to ensure that the APFFA and the AFCA are represented on the Alaska Fire Standards Council and to guarantee that the designees from these two important statewide fire firefighting groups can speak with the full confidence of their respective associations.

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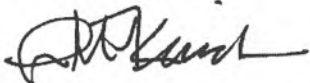
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MEMORANDUM

February 14, 2012

SUBJECT: Sectional summary of HB 304 (Work Order No. 27-LS0957A)

TO: Representative Craig Johnson
Attn: Erin Shine

FROM: Lisa Moritz Kirsch 
Legislative Counsel

You have requested a sectional summary of the above-described bill. As a preliminary matter, please note that a sectional summary of a bill should not be considered an authoritative interpretation of the bill -- the bill itself is the best statement of its contents.

Section 1. Adds a new member to the Alaska Fire Standards Council who must be a chief administrative officer or a fire chief.

Adds a requirement that at least one of the three members who are a chief administrative officer or a fire chief must be nominated by the Alaska Fire Chiefs Association under new subsection AS 18.70.330(c).

Replaces the existing requirement that one of the firefighter members be a "firefighter administrative officer" with the new requirement that at least one firefighter member of the council be a member of the Alaska Professional Fire Fighters Association nominated under new subsection AS 18.70.330(c).

Section 2. Creates new subsection AS 18.70.330(c), which requires that the governor appoint members of the associations referred to in subsection AS 18.70.330(b) from a list of at least three nominees submitted to the governor by the associations.

Allows the governor to reject a list and request a new list of nominees.

Section 3. Aids transition by exempting existing members from the new requirements by applying the new requirements only to appointments after the effective date of the Act.

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About Us

What does the AFCA do?

Educate

We strongly support quality training for our firefighters. During the late 90's we were successful in getting the Fire Standards Council approved by the state legislature.

Our support of education does not stop with firefighters. We are also advocates of public education.

Train

Twice annually we have the opportunity to train together. We have the Alaska Fire Conference (fall) and Leadership Summit (spring) conference during which we offer a wide variety of training for chief level officers.

Network

We have numerous opportunities to discuss our problems and concerns with our peers. The Department of Veteran and Military Affairs has, for years now, graciously allowed us to use the First Class e-mail system. The majority of our members are taking advantage of this.

We also have monthly teleconferences where we make decisions on the direction of our organization. Frequently, neighboring departments will gather and share the expense of the teleconference.

Finally, we get to meet in person, twice a year, at our conferences. This is a great time to learn from and share with our fellow chief officers.

Lobby

Every spring we travel to Juneau for the Leadership Summit to take our concerns to the legislature. This is a great opportunity to get some of your community issues brought forth as well. We generally spend two afternoons "on the hill" talking with the legislators. The rest of the time is spent training.

Goals

In 1971 the State of Alaska had 1,081 actual fires that resulted in 33 fire fatalities, which was also the ten year average for fire fatalities in Alaska at that time. In that year, the Alaska Fire Chiefs Association was established. Now, just over a third of a century later, we find that there were 2,758 actual fires resulting in 12 fire fatalities. Our current ten year fire fatality average is 16.

The over 50% reduction in the 10 year fire fatality average rate has been the result of the combined efforts of the Alaska State Fire Marshal office, the Alaska State Firefighters Association, and the Alaska Fire Chiefs Association. In 2005 we welcomed the Alaska

The goals for our Alaska Fire Chiefs Association are:

- Home**
- About Us**
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- Bylaws**
- Legislative/Resolutions**
- MEMBERSHIP Roster**
- Jobs**
- Memorial**
- Contact Us**
- AFCA APPLICATION**
- Fire Chiefs Survey**
- GRANT Information**
- Side Text**
- Strategic Plan**
- Vendor Information**
- Agenda / Minutes**
- News Releases**
- Announcements**
- Documents**

Long term

1. Zero fire fatalities.
2. A sustainable funding source for the Alaska Fire Standards Council.

Short Term

3. Passage of a Fire Safe Self-Extinguishing Cigarette bill.
4. A statewide assistance program to assist registered fire departments with matching requirements for federal grants.
5. Assist registered fire departments with training and equipment needs.

Upcoming Events

2012 LEADERSHIP SUMMIT
REGISTRATION
2012 Leadership Summit Conference Schedule

Quick Links

Lighthouse Uniform Company
With All Due Respect Fire Service Bookstore
Daily Dispatch
Fire Service Library
Western Fire Chiefs



9-11 Commemorative Chin Strap



AFFILIATE LOCALS

Anchorage Fire Fighters Union
Local 1264

Fairbanks Fire Fighters Association
Local 1324

Ketchikan Fire Fighters Association
Local 2761

Juneau Career Firefighters Assoc.
Local 4303

North Pole Fire Fighters
Local 4505

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and AKPFFA Newsletter*

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of
Fire Fighters
AFL-CIO, CLC**

*Respecting Tradition . . .
. . . Embracing the Future*

ALASKA PROFESSIONAL FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

The Alaska Professional Fire Fighters Association was chartered by the International Association of Fire Fighters in 2004, bringing together nearly 500 professional, career fire fighters into a statewide organization.

Though our State Association is relatively new, our goals and objectives have been in place for many years with Anchorage Local 1264 and Fairbanks Local 1324 being chartered when Alaska was still a territory, 1957 and 1959 respectively. By uniting our efforts with Ketchikan Local 2761, Juneau Local 4303, and recently North Pole Local 4505 we present a united voice for professional fire fighters throughout the state. Our members respond to 75% of fire and EMS 911 calls in Alaska.

By combining forces we have already had an impact on the legislature in Juneau. This led to the recent passage of Alaska's Presumptive Disability Law, providing the presumption of job related illness for certain cancers and heart and lung disease contracted by fire fighters. We will actively work for legislation that supports the needs of career fire fighters and will fiercely oppose any proposed legislation that negatively affects the safety or welfare of our members.

To be effective in Juneau we must be active in the election process. We identify candidates for the House, Senate and Governor offices that support the goals and objectives of career fire fighters. We reach across party line and support candidates solely on their positions on issues that affect career fire fighters and their families.

The AKPFFA works with other state and provincial associations through our membership in the Federation of State and Provincial Professional Fire Fighters and in May 2008 hosted a conference in Anchorage for the federation.

We work with our International Association to provide training for our affiliate locals and provide leadership assistance when requested. Our annual convention provides an opportunity for professional fire fighters from across Alaska to meet and share information important to our future.



The International Association of Fire Fighters IAFF

The IAFF was established on Feb. 28, 1918, for the sole benefit of rank-and-file fire fighters in the United States and Canada. It was on this date that 36 fire fighter delegates attended the first IAFF Convention and adopted the IAFF Constitution and By-Laws. The objectives incorporated into that Constitution remain in its preamble to this day.

Throughout the last 90 years, the members and staff of the IAFF have worked tirelessly to fulfill each of these charges. As a result of their work, the IAFF was the driving force behind nearly every advance in the fire and emergency services in the twentieth century, from the introduction of shift schedules early in the century to the enactment of the 2-in/2-out safety regulation near its close. With extremely active political and legislative programs, and with recognized experts in the fields of occupational health and safety, fire-based emergency medical services and hazardous materials training, the IAFF has long occupied a special place in the North American fire service.

Today, the IAFF is the primary advocate for providing fire fighters and paramedics with the tools

they need to perform their jobs. The union also provides a strong voice in the development and implementation of new training and equipment, and has worked hard to advance the proper staffing of fire and EMS departments.

At the founding meeting in 1918, the delegates decided to dedicate their union to the following objectives (modified only slightly over time):

- To organize all fire fighters and emergency medical or rescue workers;
- To secure just compensation for their services and equitable settlement of their grievances;
- To promote as safe and healthy a working environment for fire fighters as is possible through modern technology;
- To promote the establishment of just and reasonable working conditions;
- To place the members of the Association on a higher plane of skill and efficiency;
- To promote harmonious relations between fire fighters and their employers;
- To encourage the formation of local unions, state and provincial associations and joint councils;
- To encourage the formation of sick and death benefit funds;
- To promote the research and treatment of burns and other related health problems common to fire fighters;
- To encourage the establishment of schools of instruction for imparting knowledge of modern and improved methods of fire fighting and prevention; and
- To cultivate friendship and fellowship among its members.

From the Preamble of the Constitution and By-Laws of the International Association of Fire Fighters



Delegates to the 1918 Founding Convention



ALASKA FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION

2358 Bradway Road, North Pole, Alaska 99705

Phone: (907) 488-3400

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February 12, 2012

To: Representative Johnson

Reference: House Bill 304, "An Act relating to the membership of the Alaska Fire Standards Council."

Dear Rep. Johnson,

On behalf of the Alaska Fire Chief's Association I want to thank you for sponsoring House Bill 304. HB 304 will allow the Alaska Fire Chief's Association and the Alaska Professional Fire Fighters Association to join with the Alaska State Firefighters Association in contributing to the success of the Alaska Fire Standards Council.

The Alaska Fire Standards Council's mission is: "To establish professional standards for fire service personnel, and curriculum requirements for the certification of training programs." The mission of the Standards Council's compliments the mission of the Alaska Fire Chief's Association which is: "To serve the people of the State of Alaska by influencing fire and emergency service programs and legislation; advancement of fire and emergency services professionals; and providing for the safety and well-being of firefighters and their communities."

Each of our associations works to improve the fire service in Alaska. The Fire Standards Council has a direct impact on how we provide those services to our residents and visitors. By having a seat on the Council we each would have a representative who would speak for all of the members of our associations and would allow us to better work with the Fire Standards Council in order to accomplish its mission.

The Fire Standards Council and its members unanimously support the inclusion of the Alaska Fire Chief's and Alaska Professional Fire Fighters Associations on the Council and we encourage all legislators to support HB 304.

I would like to again thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

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Jeff Tucker, Fire Chief
Chair, Alaska Fire Chief's Association Legislative Committee



State of Alaska
Department of Public Safety
Fire Standards Council

Sean Parnell, Governor
Joseph A. Masters, Commissioner

April 4, 2011

Alaska Fire Chief's Association
Chief Jeff Tucker- President
2358 Bradway Road
North Pole, AK 99705

Dear Chief Tucker,

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The mission of the AFSC is to provide fire service personnel within the state of Alaska realistic and attainable standards to safely and effectively serve Alaskan communities. As the AFSC continues to establish training and performance standards for Alaska's Fire Service, we have a vision that includes maintaining the highest level of professional standards and comprehensive certification program requirements. Overall, we strive to have the greatest positive impact toward the safety and welfare of fire service personnel and their communities

In review of your request we have concluded that the AFCA would augment our ability to fulfill our mission. This decision is based on the AFCA's continued efforts to enhance fire service leadership, its longstanding support of the AFSC, and its commitment for continued support of the mission of the AFSC. As such, the AFSC endorses the AFCA efforts for the addition of a seat on the Council that is designated for a representative of the AFCA.

Sincerely,

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Gordon Descutner
AFSC Executive Director

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Dear Mr. Wescott,

On January 31, 2011 the Alaska Professional Fire Fighters Association (AKPFFA) solicited support from the Alaska Fire Standards Council (AFSC) for a designated seat on the Council. The AFSC recently reconvened for consideration of this request and passed a motion to support the AKPFFA in establishing a designated seat. This support is specific to the proposal for designation of an existing seat (AS 18.70.330 [b] {3}) for a representative of the AKPFFA.

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In review of your request we have concluded that the AKPFFA would augment our ability to fulfill our mission. This decision is based on the AKPFFA's history of active participation in statewide fire service issues and its commitment to support the mission of the AFSC. As such, the AFSC endorses the AKPFFA effort to seek seat designation within an existing seat on the Council.

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Honorable Craig Johnson
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Juneau AK 99801

Representative Johnson:

My name is Tom Wescott and I'm the President of the Alaska Professional Firefighters Association. The AKPFFA represents roughly 500 firefighters from Kotzebue to Ketchikan and on behalf of these hard workingmen and women I'm writing you today to encourage our Alaska State legislators to support HB 304.

HB 304 will reassign a seat on the Alaska Fire Standards Council to the Alaska Professional Fire Fighters Association (AKPFFA). We feel the importance behind this reassignment is to better coordinate with the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF), the parent organization to the AKPFFA, to which the Council references training and certification standards for education here in Alaska. The IAFF has a vast well-respected library of training modules and proven standards that they have compiled for the fire service since 1918. This relationship will open up those paths making it easier for the Council to access this information along with education towards receiving grants that can assist smaller departments with training needs, an obvious benefit for our small town Alaska fire departments.

The seat that the AKPFFA is asking to reassign to their organization is a seat that is represented by a city consisting of a population greater than 2,500. This seat historically has been filled by a firefighter from either the city of Fairbanks or the city of Anchorage, both to which our organization represents.

The AKPFFA has had extensive meetings and discussions with the Standards Council on this legislation. The council is positive on this reassignment knowing it will bring a voice to the table not only representing roughly 500 Alaskan Fire Fighters from some of Alaska's largest cities, but also a valuable tool with international resources for training and standards education.

Thanks for your support on this legislation,

Thomas A. Wescott
President AKPFFA
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Anchorage, AK 99511

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
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Bill Version HB304
 Fiscal Note Number _____
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Identifier (file name) HB304-DPS-FSC-02-17-12 Dept. Affected Public Safety
 Title ALASKA FIRE STANDARDS COUNCIL Appropriation Alaska Fire Standards Council
 Allocation Alaska Fire Standards Council
 Sponsor Representative Johnson
 Requester (H) STA OMB Component Number 2428

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	FY13 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY13 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
			FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18
OPERATING EXPENDITURES							
Personal Services							
Travel	2.2		2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants, Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
TOTAL OPERATING	2.2	0.0	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2

FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002	Federal Receipts						
1003	GF Match						
1004	GF	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
1005	GF/Prgm (DGF)						
1037	GF/MH (UGF)						
1178	temp code (UGF)						
TOTAL		2.2	0.0	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

CHANGE IN REVENUES

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Estimated **SUPPLEMENTAL (FY12) operating costs** _____ (separate supplemental appropriation required)
 (discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated **CAPITAL (FY13) costs** _____ (separate capital appropriation required)
 (discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version (if initial version, please note as such)

Not applicable, initial version.

Prepared by Gordon Descutner, Council Administrator
 Division Fire Standards Council
 Approved by Joseph A. Masters, Commissioner
Department of Public Safety

Phone (907) 269-5061
 Date/Time 2/16/12 7:26 AM
 Date 2/17/2012

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2012 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HB304

Analysis

This bill will add one seat to the Alaska Fire Standards Council (AFSC) and designate one existing firefighter seat under AS 18.70.330(b)(3) to the Alaska Professional Firefighters Association (AKPFFA).

The addition of one seat will increase travel costs related to AFSC meeting attendance. Costs for attendance per AFSC member includes airfare, lodging, ground transportation, and per diem. The average travel cost per attendee is \$1,100 per meeting.

The AFSC meets twice per year; therefore, the increased annual costs of \$2,200 is reflected in this fiscal note.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative Bob Lynn, Chair
House State Affairs Committee

FROM: Representative Craig Johnson, Chair *g*
House Rules Committee

DATE: February 13, 2012

SUBJECT: Scheduling Request for HB 304

I respectfully request that HB 304 "An Act relating to the membership of the Alaska Fire Standards Council" be considered for scheduling in your committee at your earliest convenience.

If you have any questions or need additional information, feel free to contact me or my staff, Erin Shine, at 465-6871.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.