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SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 4/7/14

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IN TO OFFICE: _____

Finance Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 268(FIN)

HB 268-BIG BULL MOOSE DERBIES; SNOW TOWN ICE CL.

"An Act relating to big bull moose derbies and the Snow Town Ice Classic; and relating to permits for games of chance and contests of skill."

and recommends:

- be replaced with SCS _____ (_____) Same Title Technical Title Change
 New Title/SCR No. _____
- adopt previous SCS _____ (_____) Same Title Technical Title Change
 New Title/SCR No. _____
- attached amendment(s)
- adopt _____ Letter of Intent
- further referral to _____ Committee

Dept Abbr.	
ADM	LWF
CED	LAW
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EED	DNR
DEC	DPS
DFG	REV
GOV	DOT
DHS	UA

NEW FISCAL NOTE(S)				
Dept.	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN #

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S)				
Dept.	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN #
REV			✓	2

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	PRINTED LAST NAME	Do PASS	Do NOT PASS	No REC	AMEND
<i>Anna J. Fairclough</i>	FAIRCLOUGH	✓			
<i>C. Bishop</i>	Bishop	✓			
<i>James J. ...</i>	DUAL ...			✓	
<i>...</i>	HOFFMAN			✓	
<i>...</i>	ORSON			✓	
CO-CHAIR: <i>K. ...</i>	...			✓	
CO-CHAIR:					

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2014 Legislative Session

Bill Version: CSHB 268(FIN)
Fiscal Note Number: 2
(H) Publish Date: 2/28/14

Identifier: HB268CS(RES)-DOR-TAX-02-06-14
Title: BIG BULL MOOSE DERBIES
Sponsor: T.WILSON
Requester: Senate Resources

Department: Department of Revenue
Appropriation: Taxation and Treasury
Allocation: Tax Division
OMB Component Number: 2476

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2015	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2015 Request	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2015	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues							
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2014) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2015) cost: 0.0 (separate capital appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? Yes
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 12/31/14

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

This note reflects the addition of an ice classic to the bill, for the committee substitute version C.

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Division: Tax Division	Date: 02/06/2014 09:45 AM
Approved By: Angella M. Rodell, Commissioner	Date: 02/06/14
Agency: Department of Revenue	

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS #2

STATE OF ALASKA
2014 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CSHB 268(FIN)

Analysis

Bill Language:

The bill is primarily intended to give the Tanana Valley Sportsmen's Association and the University of Alaska Fairbanks Rifle Team a way to raise operating funds through a big bull moose derby, and the Valdez Advocates for Victims of Violence through an ice classic. The bill does not seek to limit the conduct of a big bull moose derby to the two named organizations, so any interested permittee could apply for a permit to conduct this type of derby. Participants would first obtain a hunting license and then pay a derby entry fee. Derby operation would be similar to that of a fish derby, and would be controlled by house rules. The bill adds the Advocates for Victims of Violence to the list of organizations that may conduct an ice classic. The bill will not materially affect the gaming program. It will simply be two more types of permit that the Gaming Group can issue. The public sector will be affected only by having two more ways to support the activities of not-for-profit organizations. The bill will not affect the private sector because the private sector, outside of not-for-profit organizations, does not qualify for the permit required to conduct a gaming activity.

Revenues:

Department of Revenue estimates that a big bull moose derby and Snow Town Ice Classic will generate minimal revenue—under \$1,000.

Expenditures:

Department of Revenue can implement and administer the provisions of this bill utilizing existing resources.

Regulations:

Regulations would be needed to specify the need for house rules, a winner prize receipt requirement, and other matters to ensure any big bull moose derbies are conducted in the best interest of the charities. The Snow Town Ice Classic would be covered by existing regulation.

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Questions Regarding Ice Classics Activities

During the Friday April 11th Senate Finance Committee meeting Senator Olson requested information on the activity and history of the permitted Ice Classics in Alaska. Below is a table which summarizes the history of the permitted Ice Classics in Alaska. Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Table 1. Alaska Ice Classics Activities and Permitting

Ice Classic	Permittee Name	Permit Number	Years of Ice Classic	Comments	Current update
Kuskokwim Ice Classic	Bethel Community Services Foundation, Inc.	1948	2001-2011, 2013	Ice classic permit issued	2014 Tickets are on sale now
Kenai River Ice Classic	Kenai Rotary Club	1772	None	No ice classic permit issued	Waiting for 2014 application.
Kenai River Ice Classic	Soldotna Rotary Club	1730	None	No ice classic permit issued	None
Yukon River Ice Classic	City of Fort Yukon	319	None	No ice classic permit issued	None
Alaska-Soviet Ice Classic	CAMAI	677	None	No ice classic permit issued	None
Alaska-Soviet Ice Classic	City of Diomedede	248	None	No ice classic permit issued	None
Big Lake Ice Classic	Big Lake Chamber of Commerce	1168	1998-2014	Ice classic permit issued	2014 Tickets are on sale now
McGrath Ice Classic	Kuskokwim Public Broadcasting Company	353	2001-2008, 2011, 2013-2014	Ice classic permit issued	2014 Tickets are on sale now

Friday, April 11, 2014

STATE OF ALASKA

Department of Revenue

Tax Division

Gaming Group

Schedule of Ice Classics Activities from 2006 to 2010

Year	Gross Receipts	Taxes	Prizes	Adjusted Gross Income	Expenses	Net Proceeds
2010	\$ 594,382.00	\$ -	\$ 282,298.00	\$ 312,084.00	\$ 280,527.00	\$ 31,557.00
2009	\$ 600,794.00	\$ -	\$ 289,714.00	\$ 311,080.00	\$ 279,674.00	\$ 31,406.00
2008	\$ 621,603.00	\$ -	\$ 310,608.00	\$ 310,995.00	\$ 289,566.00	\$ 21,429.00
2007	\$ 624,290.00	\$ -	\$ 312,205.00	\$ 312,085.00	\$ 263,570.00	\$ 48,515.00
2006	\$ 555,144.00	\$ -	\$ 275,538.00	\$ 279,606.00	\$ 246,309.00	\$ 33,297.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,996,213.00	\$ -	\$ 1,470,363.00	\$ 1,525,850.00	\$ 1,359,646.00	\$ 166,204.00

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**CSHB 268 Ver. P
Hearing Request
Senate Finance Committee**

Date: April 07, 2014

**To: The Honorable Kevin Meyer, Co-Chair
The Honorable Pete Kelly, Co-Chair
Senate Finance Committee**

Fr: Representative Tammie Wilson

Re: Hearing Request for CSHB 268 Ver. P

Dear Co-Chair Meyer and Kelly,

I respectfully request a hearing for CSHB 268 Ver. P in the Senate Finance Committee.

My staff on this piece of legislation is Barbara Barnes. She can be reached at 465-4797.

Sincerely,

Tammie

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**CSHB 268
Sponsor Statement**

“An Act relating to big bull moose derbies and the Snow Town Ice Classic; and relating to permits for games of chance and contests of skill.”

House Bill 268 would allow the Tanana Valley Sportsmen Association and the Advocates for Victims of Violence to raise funds for their nonprofit organizations.

The big bull moose derbies would be managed by the Tanana Valley Sportsmen Association and will operate much like other contests already allowed under statute. This will take place during the annual moose season, by individuals that have acquired all the proper documentation already implemented by the State of Alaska to stay within the legal boundaries of the moose season. Participants must purchase a derby ticket prior to the open day of the season. Prizes are awarded based on the size or spread of the moose antlers. Anyone who enters a bull would, regardless of the antler spread, be entered into a drawing for prizes.

The Tanana Valley Sportsmen’s Association is a nonprofit organization that hosts training and completion events for the nationally ranked University of Alaska Nanooks Rifle Team as well as the local high schools. It is home to a multitude of community and school events; NCAA tournaments, biathlon training & competition, gun safety and personal protection classes are among the many. House Bill 268 would allow the raising of funds to further the use of the Tanana Valley Sportsmen’s Association club house and support the efforts of the nationally ranked UAF Nanooks Rifle team who has produced Olympic level competitors.

The Snow Town Ice Classic will be operated and administered by the Advocates for Victims of Violence. Participants must purchase a ticket and guess the total of snow accumulation in the town. Winners are determined by the closest guess of what the total snow accumulation.

The Advocates for Victims of Violence is a nonprofit organization that is committed to ending domestic violence and sexual assault. Advocates for Victims of Violence provide confidential services to victims and their families and operates a safe shelter for woman and their children. A total of 18 communities are directly served by Advocates for Victims of Violence including Chitina, Glennallen, McCarthy, and Valdez. House Bill 268 would allow the raising of funds to help serve the women and children that stay in the shelter and allow the Advocates for Victims of Violence to continue to strive to end domestic violence, sexual assault, and child abuse.

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**CS House Bill 268
Sectional Analysis
Version 28-LS0851\P**

“An Act relating to Big Bull Moose Derbies and the Snow Town Ice Classic; and relating to permits for games of chance and contests of skill.”

- Section 1:** Adds “big bull moose derbies” to the existing list of games of chance and skill that can be permitted by the Department of Revenue.
- Section 2:** Adds “big bull moose derbies” to the existing definition of “activity” for the purposes of AS 05.15.115 (c), which limits how permittees can contract with operators.
- Section 3:** Adds “big bull moose derbies” to the existing list of activities that can be licensed under AS Chapter 05.15.180 (b) Games of Chance and Contest of Skill.
- Section 4:** Defines and describes the “big bull moose derbies.
Deletes the words “Licensed” and “Licensing” and replaces them with “permit” and “permitted” to allow for consistency throughout the document.
- Section 5:** Adds “and the Snow Town Ice Classic to be operated and administered by the Advocates for Victims of Violence. Inc.”
- Section 6:** Deletes “for harvesting”.

November 26, 2013

Re: Letter of Support for Big Bull Moose Derby

To Whom It May Concern:

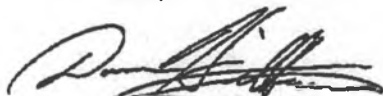
I support for legislation that will allow the Tanana Valley Sportsmen's Association (TVSA) to facilitate a "Big Bull Moose Derby" annually. TVSA is a non-profit organization that provides an indoor shooting range in Fairbanks and supports local high school rifle teams and clubs. In addition TVSA provides training in firearms education and safe handling to youth and adults in Alaska's Interior communities.

This derby will be facilitated by both TVSA and the UAF Rifle Team, with proceeds from ticket sales going to benefit both entities. The derby will provide an award for the bull moose with the widest antler spread legally taken in moose season. The hunter must have purchased a derby ticket prior to the opening day of the season. TVSA will provide the measuring station and official judge for the derby. The UAF Rifle Team will manage ticket sales. The "Big Bull Moose Derby" will be facilitated under TVSA's Gaming Permit.

This derby is similar to other derbies conducted throughout the State such as the salmon and halibut fishing derbies that have been established for quite some time.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



David Hilberry
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Tammie Wilson <tammie.k.wilson@gmail.com>

Tanana Valley Sportsmen's Association

1 message

Eileen Dubowski <emdubo@gmail.com>

Mon, Jan 20, 2014 at 9:30 PM

To: "Rep. Doug Isaacson" <Rep.Doug.Isaacson@akleg.gov>, "Rep. Scott Kawasaki" <Rep.Scott.Kawasaki@akleg.gov>, "Sen. Click Bishop" <Sen.Click.Bishop@akleg.gov>, "Sen. Pete Kelly" <Sen.Pete.Kelly@akleg.gov>, "Rep. Tammie Wilson" <Rep.Tammie.Wilson@akleg.gov>, "Rep. David Guttenberg" <Rep.David.Guttenberg@akleg.gov>, "Rep. Steve Thompson" <Rep.Steve.Thompson@akleg.gov>, "Sen. John Coghill" <Sen.John.Coghill@akleg.gov>

Thank you for your past support of the Tanana Valley Sportsmen's Association (TVSA). I'm writing to ask that you support us further in our efforts to finish the ventilation system in the north range bay of our new facility.

As you know, we lost the historic TVSA Clubhouse/Range to a fire in March of 2007. Since that time we constructed a new building with one 8-lane firing range (south range) capable of handling .22 rifles and all non-magnum handguns. In order to achieve the same capability in the north range, a second 8-lane firing range, we need to provide a state of the art ventilation system. The system is necessary to remove any lead residue from the range air. This is especially important since the main focus of TVSA in recent years has been youth education. We serve three local high school rifle teams as well as several other youth groups. In all, TVSA provides a safe facility for well over 150 youth shooters each year.

The system is designed and we have begun purchasing what equipment we can afford, but we need to raise over \$150,000 to finish the system. We are excited that the NCAA National Rifle Championships will be held in Fairbanks in 2015. TVSA has made a commitment to have our range available should UAF and NCAA decide to conduct the smallbore portion of the championships at TVSA. This is where we need your support.

We have applied for a State grant to finish the ventilation system. **The request for the grant is in CAPSIS.** Please note that the grant is for construction funding only—we do not anticipate coming back in the future asking for funds to maintain the facility. Our income and other fundraising efforts will cover those costs.

We, in conjunction with the UAF Rifle Team, are also working to get legislation passed to allow a "Big Bull Moose" Derby similar to some of the fishing derbies held throughout the State. Proceeds from this activity will be split between the UAF Rifle Team and TVSA. Representative Wilson is spearheading the legislation for us. Your support and/or co-sponsorship will be greatly appreciated.

Again, thank you for your past efforts, and please support our current activities.

Sincerely,
Mike and Eileen Dubowski
Life Members TVSA

November 26, 2013

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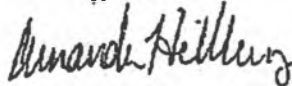
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This derby is similar to other derbies conducted throughout the State and has the potential to inspire the same community involvement, support, camaraderie, and other positive social effects that occur in other parts of the State thanks to the salmon and halibut derbies. In these times anything that brings the interior communities together in a positive way should be supported and rallied behind.

Moose hunting in general is a test of skill given the vast terrain moose cover, the marksmanship skills needed to take the animal down cleanly and quickly, the physical stamina required to follow a moose through any manner of topographical obstacles, and knowledge of the sequence of events involved in salvaging the meat properly. My family depends on moose meat each year and will continue to hunt moose as we always have. It is my hope that the "Big Bull Moose Derby" will be successfully developed and both TVSA and the UAF Rifle Team will benefit each year from this derby for years to come.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



Amanda Hillberry
449 Hillside Drive
Fairbanks, AK 99712

Bull Moose Derby.txt**Big Bull Moose Derby
Support Letter**

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Rifle team members will conduct the ticket sales and TVSA will provide the measuring station and official judge. The "Big Bull Moose Derby" will be conducted under TVSA's Gaming permit. My contact information is 907-488-5861(h) or 907-361-5673(w) or 907-590-8613(cell) or by e-mail at lkappel@mosquitonet.com .

Thank you for your support.

Larry Kappel

6139 Chena Hot Springs Road
Fairbanks, AK 99712
November 23, 2013

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Sincerely,



Layne K. Lewis

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November 24, 2013

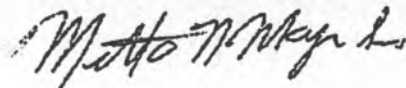
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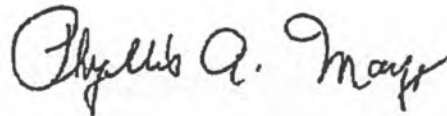
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You may contact us at (907)457-3994. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



Milton N. Mayr, Sr.



Phyllis A. Mayr

6101 Chena Hot Springs Road
Fairbanks, AK 99712
November 23, 2013

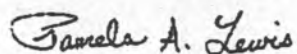
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Pamela A. Lewis (Mrs.)

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**Big Bull Moose Derby
Support Letter**

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Thank you for your support.
Richard M Tate

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January 3, 2014

To Whom It May Concern:

The Tanana Valley Sportsmen's Association (TVSA) supports legislation for a Big Bull Moose Derby to be held each fall at TVSA. We have always imagined the Big Bull Derby as consisting of two separate portions:

- 1. Big Bull Derby -** The Alaska Big Bull Derby will be conducted under TVSA's gaming permit. Members of the University of Alaska Fairbanks Nanooks Rifle Team will sell tickets similar to the halibut and salmon derbies found on the coast. Tickets will be sold at select vendor locations and will be available during a pre-determined time frame (possibly the month of August) but to be stopped on the eve of September 1 of any given year. (The cutoff date may be revised to comply with State hunting regulation season dates.) During the month of September, any derby ticket purchaser who harvests a bull moose legally taken under Alaska laws will be eligible for prizes. There will be several prizes to be offered based on the greatest spread of antlers including Top 3 overall, Top Junior, Top Woman, Top Archery, etc. (Total number of prizes will be determined jointly by TVSA and the Nanooks.) TVSA will provide a measuring station and officials who will perform actual measurements. The greatest spread will be measured and witnessed by the TVSA officials who will not be eligible for prizes. Such measurements will be final. Prizes may include cash, firearms, hunting related equipment, vehicles, etc. Anyone who enters a bull, no matter what size the spread, will also be entered into a drawing for prizes under paragraph 2. below.
- 2. Big Bull Raffle -** To increase the number of people who purchase derby tickets, we could also conduct a raffle. Any purchaser of a Big Bull Derby ticket would also be entered into a raffle eligible to win prizes. These could include gift certificates, clothing, cash, etc. The derby ticket holder would not have to harvest a moose in order to be eligible for these drawings. Raffle tickets could be of a different color to differentiate from those purchased for the Derby, and could continue to be sold after September 1. (TVSA officials would be eligible to participate.)

Letter

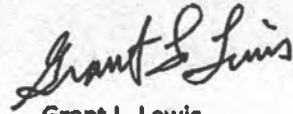
January 3, 2014

Big Bull Moose Derby

Proceeds from this activity would benefit both TVSA and The UAF Nanooks Rifle Team and would be shared equally. Actual costs incurred by each entity would be documented and deducted from the total revenue prior to division of proceeds.

For more information, please call me at (907) 488-2884. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Grant L. Lewis".

Grant L. Lewis
President



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To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to express my support for the legislative effort to add "Moose/Big Bull Derbies" to the gaming laws in the state of Alaska. With the success of other events in the state such as the halibut and salmon derbies in Valdez and Homer, the interior has the potential to host an event to rival others.

I began working on the idea of a "Big Bull Derby" several years ago as a way to help fund and support the UAF Rifle Team. In times of tight financial constraints, any type of fundraising option is a welcome one. After discussing it with several potential sponsors the idea proved to be solid. I believe it can and will be one of the most looked forward to events each year, much like the Nenana Ice Classic.

By having a partner like the Tanana Valley Sportsman's Association and their experience with gaming rules, regulations, and nuances, we think that we have the possibility to build a strong lasting relationship that will help both organizations become more financially sound and successful. This can only help us to continue to provide education and opportunities for the youth and competitive shooters around Alaska. Financial support such as can be gained here is also a critical part of the Alaska Nanook Rifle teams success on the national level which brings exposure to the University of Alaska, and Alaska as a state.

Thank you so much for your time and support. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call or email.

Sincerely,

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**Representative Tammie Wilson
State Capitol Room 412
Juneau, AK 99801-1185**

January 6, 2014

Greetings Tammie,

We already know each other as fellow Goldpanner fans, but you may not know that I am a lifelong North Pole/Badger Road resident (all 31 years), second generation UAF graduate (parents: Eileen '85 and Bob '78), active community volunteer, licensed annual hunter and fisher, and registered and regular voter. I was delighted to hear from my colleague Dan Jordan '01 that you have authored, sponsored, and are preparing to introduce a bill to establish a new gaming activity to benefit the public.

A very worthy qualified educational organization to benefit from this proposed moose hunting derby is the University of Alaska. Providing a quality education enhances our state's economic, cultural, and social wellbeing, and attracts students from all over the world – including rifle student-athletes. There are no better ambassadors for hunting education, safety, and responsibility than the remarkable ten-time NCAA national champion Nanook men's and women's rifle team.

I support the establishment of this proposed moose hunting derby and its beneficiary the University of Alaska and its men's and women's collegiate rifle program.

Very appreciative of your service and consideration,

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Alaska rifle team ranked No. 1 again

By Danny Martin DMARTIN@NEWSMINER.COM | Posted: Wednesday, November 27, 2013 11:48 pm

Fairbanks — The Alaska Nanooks rifle team's recent sweep of the University of Kentucky helped it return to the No. 1 ranking in the Collegiate Rifle Coaches Association Poll on Wednesday.

The Nanooks, 6-0, this season downed the Wildcats with a record-setting 4,702-4,671 victory Saturday in the E.F. Horton Range in the Patty Center. On Sunday, the Nanooks won 4,695-4,689 to take the series.

Sophomore Tim Sherry paced Alaska with a scores of 588 and a season-high 590 in the smallbore competition and match his season best in the air rifle with 595.

His top smallbore and air rifle rifle scores are ranked second and third, respectively, in the NCAA.

The Nanooks are off until a Jan. 9 match against the Air Force Academy in Colorado. It's also the Patriot Rifle Conference opener for Alaska.

Kentucky is No. 2 in the current poll while West Virginia and Jacksonville State (Ala.) are tied for third. Nebraska is fifth, followed by Texas Christian, Air Force, Ohio State, Army and Navy rounding out the top 10.

Memphis is 11th, and the rest of the top 20 consists, respectively, of Murray State, Mississippi, Tennessee-Martin, Akron, North Carolina State, Nevada, Morehead (Ky.), Columbus State (Ga.) and North Georgia.

Eielson

wrestlers win

Nate Ezell, Austin Edson and Calvin Goodson registered pins for Eielson in its 51-15 victory over host Hutchison in a high school wrestling dual meet Tuesday.

Andrew Hoffman, wrestling at 182 pounds, recorded pin for Hutchison, which plays host to the Hutchison Meltdown at

9 a.m. Saturday.

The results of Tuesday's dual meet are listed on the Scoreboard on Page B2.

Lee skates

in sectional

Andrew, Lee of Fairbanks, placed 11th overall in his division at the U.S. Figure Skating Association Pacific Coast Sectionals in Oakland, Calif., last weekend.

Lee registered a personal-best total of 26.91.

Hockey

fundraiser

The Arctic Lions Squirt Majors team is having a Thai food dinner and silent auction from 5:30-8 p.m. Friday at the Fairbanks Curling Club.

Proceeds from the event go toward helping the team travel to the International Squirt Tournament in Fargo, N.D., in February 2014.

Among the items to be auctioned are power tools, golf bags, jewelry, a framed Fred Machetanz print, gift cards and baskets from local businesses.

Roller derby

The Fairbanks Rollergirls will face the Denali Destroyers of Wasilla in a roller derby bout on Saturday, Dec. 7, at the Carlson Center.

Doors open at 6 p.m. and the wheels start rolling at

7 p.m.

The Cold 'N Heart Junior Rollergirls also will be featured in the bout, which a portion of the proceeds go the Fairbanks Resource Agency.

Advance tickets are available at the Badger Barbershop and Expressway Auto in North Pole, the Carlson Center box office, Interior Graphics, River City Cafe, Team Cutters and from Rollergirls skaters.

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Nanooks rifle team sets program marks

By Tim O'Donnell TODONNELL@NEWSMINER.COM | Posted: Sunday, November 24, 2013 12:18 am

FAIRBANKS — For the second time this season, the Alaska Nanooks rifle team has set a new program record. The No. 2 Nanooks shot 4,702 as they beat No. 1 Kentucky Saturday at the E.F. Horton Rifle Range.

The Wildcats shot 4,671 as a team and were handed their first loss of the season.

The Nanooks won smallbore 2,337-2,317 and air rifle 2,365-2,354.

The Nanooks set the previous record of 4,694 on Oct. 13 against then-No. 14 University of Mississippi.

The Nanooks 2,337 in smallbore tied for the high score among all teams this season. West Virginia also shot a 2,337 against Army in October.

In smallbore, the top three Nanooks (5-0) shooters all recorded higher scores than all four Wildcats (5-1) shooters.

“Alaska is a great program. Today’s performance was the first time a team has broken 4,700 this year,” Wildcats head coach Harry Mullins said in a University Kentucky press release. “You can tell from their body language that they’ve been working very hard and seem focused right now. As expected, they’re definitely going to be a strong competitor for the national championship.”

Tim Sherry led the way in smallbore, shooting 588. Mats Eriksson shot 587 and Ryan Anderson shot 582. All three scores were higher than the Wildcats’ top score of 581, shot by Connor Davis.

Lorelie Stanfield also shot 580 in smallbore for the Nanooks.

Tied with Davis for the Wildcats lead in smallbore was Aaron Holsopple, who also shot 581. Emily Holsopple shot 579 and Heather Kirby added a 576 for the Wildcats.

Sonya May shot a 575 for the Wildcats but did not factor into the team score.

Anderson led the Nanooks with a 594 in air rifle, followed closely by Mike Liuzza at 592. Sherry shot a 591 and Eriksson rounded out the Nanooks’ team score with a 588.

Stanfield also shot a 573 in air rifle.

Davis also led the Wildcats in air rifle, shooting a 593. He was followed by Elijah Ellis at 588, Kirby at 586, and May at 587 to round out the team score.

Emily Holsopple shot a 575 for the Wildcats.

The Nanooks and Wildcats are back it today. The shooting begins at 9 a.m. at the E.F Horton Rifle Range in the Patty Center.

Contact sports reporter Tim O'Donnell. Follow him on Twitter: @FDNMSportsGuy

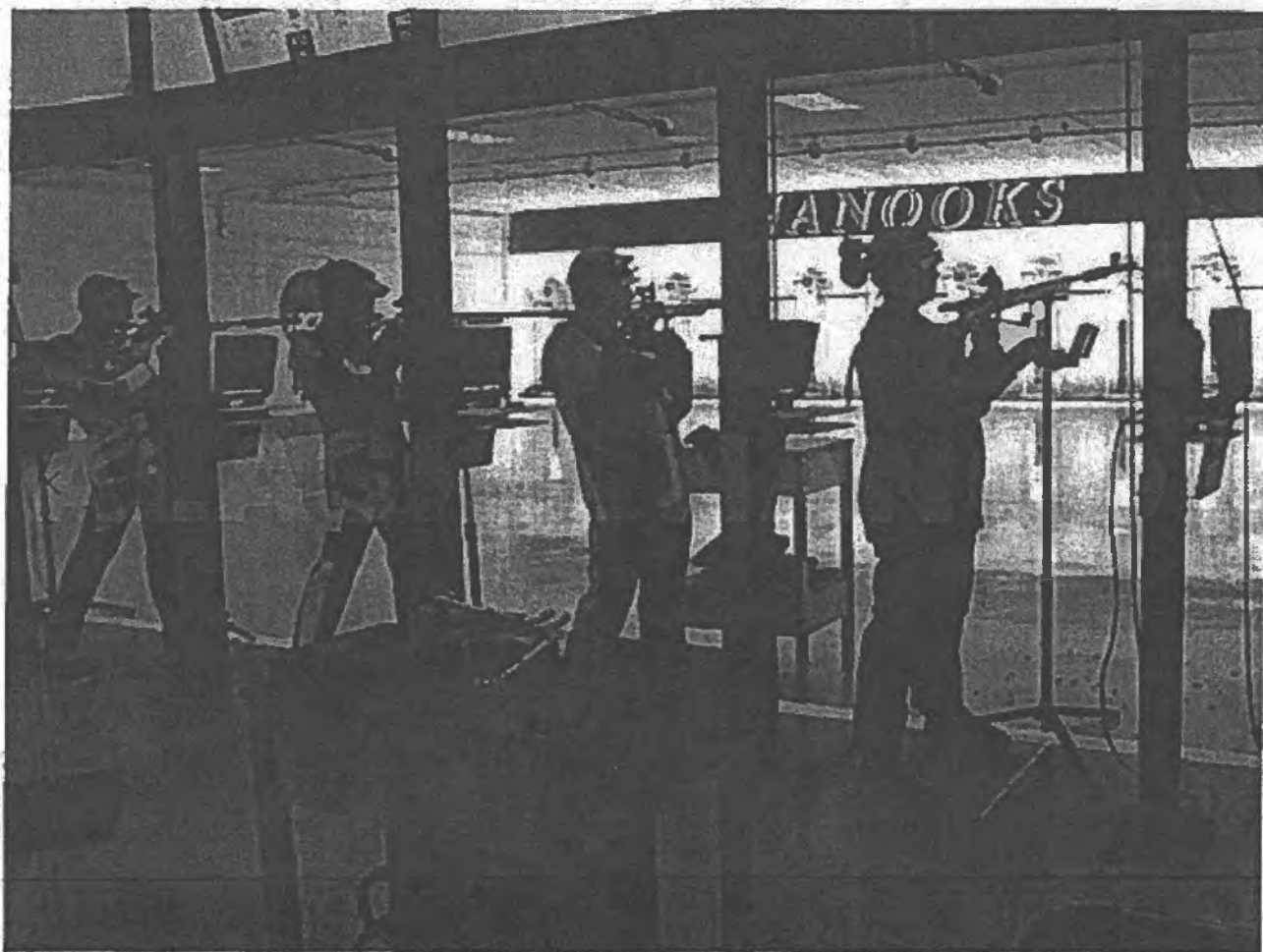
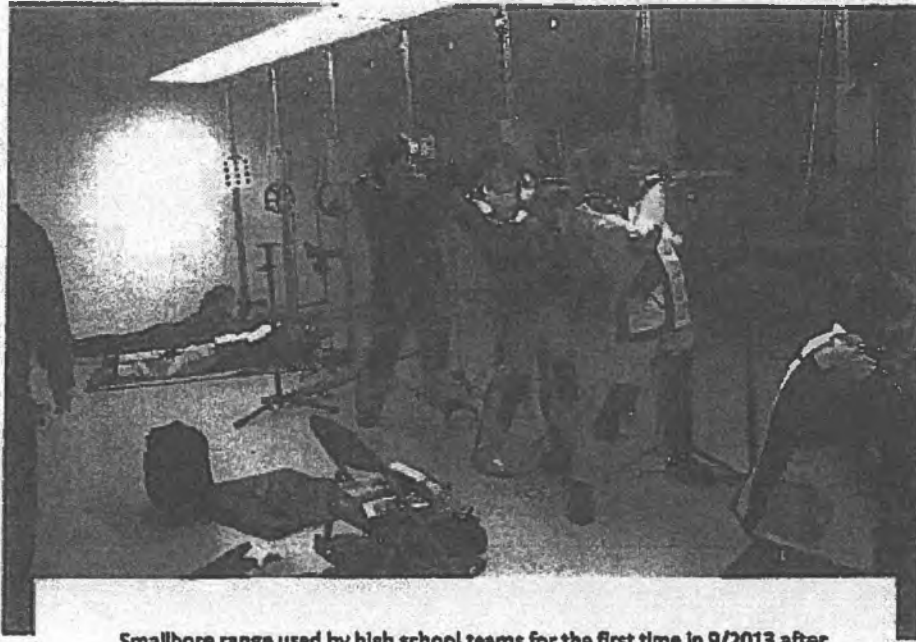


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Smallbore range used by high school teams for the first time in 9/2013 after a new ventilation system was completed.



Air Rifle range used by high school teams in 2013. There is no ventilation system in this range.



TVSA Clubhouse/Range, built in the 1930's, destroyed by fire on 3/31/2007

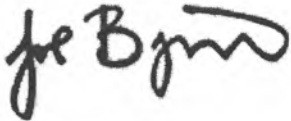


New TVSA Classroom/Range (shell built in 2008-09)

Doniece Gott

From: Sen. Pete Kelly
Sent: Monday, April 07, 2014 10:20 AM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: FW: SB 209 Opposed

Public testimony



Joe Byrnes
Staff for Senator Pete Kelly
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From: Felipe Concepcion [mailto:felipe.concep@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, April 07, 2014 09:28
To: Sen. Pete Kelly
Subject: Re: SB 209 Opposed

Please add the email below to the documents attached to SB 209 as my testimony in opposition to the bill.

Thank You
V/R

Felipe Concepcion

Register Alaska voter.

907-378-8709

Hello,

My Name is Felipe Concepcion and I would like to encourage you to vote no or amend the bill to exclude E-cigarettes in the definition of smoking. I am a resident of Alaska and this issue is very important to me due to the fact that this product help me quit smoking and chewing and quite possibly save my life. Before using an Electronic Cigarette, I smoked for 20+ years in addition to using smokeless tobacco (Chewing) for the last 6 years that I smoked. I have tried numerous times to quit cold turkey with no success and even changing to smokeless tobacco which created second addiction to tobacco. I have been using an Alternate Nicotine Delivery System (ANDS) or commonly known as e-cigarette since October 11, 2013 (11:40 am) and have not picked up a cigarette or a chew since then.

I believe this bill misguided the public and violate the one subject rule due to the attempt to change the actual definition of smoking (to inhale and exhale the

fumes of BURNING plant material and especially tobacco; especially: to smoke tobacco habitually) to add a product (Electronic Cigarette) that is completely unrelated to the subject. Electronic Cigarette are an Alternate Nicotine Delivery System (ANDS) Just like Nicotine inhaler, nicotine Patch, Nicotine Gum, etc. and they do not contain tobacco, BURN plant material or create smoke. In addition this bill has the potential to negatively affect an industry that is growing in Alaska (Vape Shops) with the potential of creating many Jobs for Alaskans.

Please make an Educated decision and see all of the research that have been done about E-cigarette follow this link <http://onvaping.com/the-ultimate-list-of-studies-on-e-cigarettes-and-their-safety/>

Thank You for your time, once again please vote NO or amend the bill to exclude E-cigarettes.

Felipe Concepcion

Register Alaska voter.

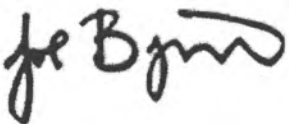
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On Tue, Apr 1, 2014 at 11:43 AM, Sen. Pete Kelly <Sen.Pete.Kelly@akleg.gov> wrote:

Greetings,

Thanks for sharing your thoughts, I'll pass them along to Sen. Kelly.

Regards,



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Sent: Tuesday, April 01, 2014 11:40