

Alaska Association of REALTORS®  
Industry Issues Committee  
Thursday, January 29, 2009

10:00 am

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Industry Issues Key Work Group Chairman Dave Somers.

Present:        Dave Somers            Art Clark                Bonnie Aulabaugh  
                  Glenda Feeken        Denny Wood            Chris Story  
                  Janice Strong         Paddy Coan            Ruth Blackwell  
                  Wendy Chamberlain   Debra Leisek

Wendy Chamberlain Update – Wendy brought the following bills to the attention of the committee;

HB 38 – Sponsor Rep. Kawasaki"- An Act relating to an optional exemption from municipal property taxes for residential property."

HB 13 – Sponsor Rep. Coghill - An Act relating to property crimes."

SB 7 – Sponsor Senator Dyson - "An Act relating to and permitting certain uses and occupancies of real property that do not comply with changes made to municipal land use ordinances."

Eminent Domain – HB 49 – Sponsor Rep. Craig Johnson. This bill will only be referred to the House Judiciary Committee and go to the House floor.

AS08.88.071 (a) (10) - The word licensee will be added to this statute.

Frivolous Lawsuits – Chairman Dave Somers reported that it will take two years to work on this bill. The committee will start talking to various groups asking for support on the bill. Dave spoke to the Alaska Chamber of Commerce and would like to get this on their fall legislative priority list. He also spoke to the Support Industry Alliance about the bill. The medical association will be contacted along with the homebuilders association.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am.