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Sen. Stedman Accepts Appointment to National Petroleum Council

ANCHORAGE – Sen. Bert Stedman (R-Sitka) today announced he will serve on the National Petroleum Council (NPC) following his appointment to the board by the Secretary of the Department of Energy, Rick Perry.

The NPC is an advisory board to the Secretary of Energy regarding oil and natural gas issues. Sen. Stedman's role will be to represent the views of the states in public policy decision making.

"Having served previously on the NPC in 2014 and 2015, I look forward to again representing Alaska's unique position on oil and gas issues as the only true Arctic state in the U.S.," Sen. Stedman said. "During my prior service on NPC I was very engaged in a <u>comprehensive study</u> looking at the potential development of oil and gas deposits in Alaska's arctic."

The NPC was established in 1946 by President Truman and has since prepared <u>hundreds of publicly</u> <u>available reports</u>.

"Throughout my career as a legislator, I have had the opportunity to serve Alaskans and be involved in oil and gas issues on the national and international levels," Sen. Stedman added. "I will use this opportunity to continue working hard to ensure responsible oil and gas development for the benefit of Alaskans, a healthy state treasury and growing state economy."

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