

# Fair Practices Complaint May Go to Arbitration Assoc.

State Senator Brad Phillips, campaign chairman for Representative Howard W. Pollock, who filed a complaint with the Fair Campaign Practices Committee last week charging Nick Begich with deliberately distorting the public record, received a letter today from the Committee suggesting immediate arbitration of the case.

Samuel J. Archibald execu-

tive director of the committee, said immediate arbitration through the American Arbitration Association, a nation-wide organization with representatives in Alaska, may be desirable "in view of the lateness of the political hour."

Arbitration by a neutral panel is one method by which the Fair Campaign Practices Committee can determine whether violation of the code of ethics of the Committee has in fact taken place.

"This is agreeable to us," said Phillips, "but both candidates have to agree to arbitration before the American Arbitration Association can step in."

Phillips said he is challenging Begich to accept immediate arbitration. Phillips continued, "So far all Begich has said on the issued is no comment. He has refused to answer the complaint."

Phillips complaint against Begich with the Fair Campaign Practices Committee came after Begich accused Pollock of voting against Civil Rights measures as a State Senator in 1965.

Begich, a Democrat, is challenging Pollock, an incumbent Republican, for Alaska's lone seat in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Any findings by the American Arbitration Association will be in writing and signed by a concurring majority of the arbitrators according to Phillips.