

AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE SENATE

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TO: SCS CSHB 113(FIN), Draft Version "M"

Page 28, following line 18:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(c) For the appropriations made in (a) and (b) of this section, it is the intent of the legislature that

(1) the funds be used solely to plan, coordinate, and facilitate construction, ownership, and management of a natural gas pipeline serving Fairbanks, the Southcentral region of the state, and other communities wherever practicable, connecting with or enhancing the existing gas pipeline system, and reaching to tidewater;

(2) the funds be used for a full alternative analysis of possible routes;

(3) an economically feasible in-state pipeline and any connecting lines serve industrial, residential, and utility customers along the entire route, including any other regions of the state that could be served at commercially feasible rates;

(4) the Office of the Governor use the appropriations to

(A) coordinate with entities that could build, own, and operate the line;

(B) assist with preparing cost estimates for the project to determine its economic feasibility and cost to consumers;

(C) apply for and obtain right-of-way permits for the project route, with the intent that the state would transfer the permits to, and receive compensation for the permits from, the entity best able to complete the project;

(D) work with other entities to promote the gas supply and gas purchase contracts that would be required for the project to be commercially

1 viable;

2 (5) the coordination effort by the Office of the Governor use, to the
3 fullest extent possible, any and all existing work by other state agencies before
4 contracting for new reports, research, and analyses, and that the coordination effort by
5 the Office of the Governor not expand beyond the scope of coordinating interests to
6 build, own, and operate the gas line;

7 (6) the Office of the Governor submit written monthly reports to the
8 president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, and all legislators,
9 listing all current and future contracts executed for development of an in-state natural
10 gas pipeline and specifying the scope of work and contract amount, a cumulative total
11 monthly of all funds spent for development of an in-state natural gas pipeline,
12 reporting progress to date on the project work plan, and presenting a work plan for
13 each subsequent month."