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AN ACT

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

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6 the right to receive a portion of anticipated revenue from a tobacco litigation settlement and
7 for other purposes, and relating to those bonds; and providing for an effective date.

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9 * **Section 1.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section
10 to read:

11 AUTHORITY TO ISSUE BONDS. (a) The Northern Tobacco Securitization

1 Corporation, a subsidiary corporation of the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation created
2 under AS 18.56.086, is authorized to issue bonds and to use the proceeds of the bonds to
3 acquire the right to receive additional revenue described in (b) of this section. The proceeds of
4 the bonds may also be used to (1) defease, redeem, or otherwise pay principal and interest on
5 the bonds issued under sec. 10, ch. 130, SLA 2000, and sec. 4, ch. 96, SLA 2001; (2) pay the
6 costs of issuance of the bonds authorized by this section; and (3) fund any reserve funds the
7 Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation considers necessary or desirable to secure the
8 bonds authorized by this section. The Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation may
9 determine the principal amount, redemption provisions, maturity or maturities, interest rate or
10 rates that will apply to the bonds, whether to issue the bonds in one series or in more than one
11 series, and whether to issue all the bonds at the same time. In carrying out duties under this
12 subsection, the Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation must make reasonable efforts to
13 maximize the principal amount of the bonds that it can issue, taking into consideration that the
14 sole security for payment of the bonds is that described in sec. 2 of this Act.

15 (b) The commissioner of revenue is authorized to enter into an agreement, or modify
16 the existing agreement or agreements, with the Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation
17 for the sale to, or to the order of, the Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation of the
18 revenue that otherwise would revert to the state when the bonds authorized by sec. 10, ch.
19 130, SLA 2000, and sec. 4, ch. 96, SLA 2001, are no longer considered to be outstanding
20 under the terms of the documents authorizing their issuance, and for the continuation, for as
21 long as any bonds authorized by (a) of this section are outstanding under the terms of the
22 documents authorizing their issuance, of the right of the Northern Tobacco Securitization
23 Corporation to receive revenue under the agreement or agreements between the state and the
24 Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation securing payment of the bonds authorized by
25 sec. 10, ch. 130, SLA 2000, and sec. 4, ch. 96, SLA 2001. The agreement or modification
26 must provide that (1) the Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation, or its assignee, has the
27 right to receive all revenue under the agreement, or under the modification, authorized by this
28 subsection, for as long as any bonds authorized by (a) of this section are considered to be
29 outstanding under the terms of the documents authorizing their issuance; (2) the agreement or
30 modification is the legally binding agreement of the state enforceable against the state by the
31 holders of the bonds authorized by (a) of this section, or a trustee on their behalf, each of

whom shall be considered a third-party beneficiary of the agreement or modification; and (3) the Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation may include the statement contained in (2) of this subsection in agreements with holders of the bonds authorized by (a) of this section. The sale of the right to receive revenue under this subsection is of the revenue stream that reverts to the state following the full repayment of the bonds authorized by sec. 10, ch. 130, SLA 2000, and sec. 4, ch. 96, SLA 2001, which is 80 percent of the entire revenue stream the state is entitled to receive under Alaska v. Philip Morris, Incorporated, et al., No. 1JU-97-915 CI (Alaska Super. 1997).

(c) The Department of Revenue shall contract with the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to hold, administer, and invest the proceeds of the sale authorized under (b) of this subsection. The proceeds of the sale that are in excess of the amount required for the purposes described in (a)(1) - (3) of this section are expected to be at least \$169,976,500. The Department of Revenue shall deposit these excess proceeds into a capital projects fund that preserves the tax-exempt status of the interest on the bonds authorized by (a) of this section. The Department of Revenue shall take all necessary measures to preserve the tax-exempt status of the interest earned on the bonds.

(d) Subject to appropriation, \$169,976,500 of the excess proceeds deposited into the capital projects fund under (c) of this section shall be used for design, construction, major maintenance, and renovation of capital projects, including reimbursement to the University of Alaska for expenditures for projects, as follows:

PROJECT

University of Alaska - Systemwide

Critical Building Deficiencies	\$ 8,655,000
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Required Renewal and Renovation	10,250,000
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for Program Delivery

University of Alaska - Code and Compliance

Anchorage/Fairbanks/Southeast Campuses	13,050,000
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Other Campuses	2,295,000
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University of Alaska - Anchorage

Integrated Science Facility - Phase III	55,000,000
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University of Alaska - Fairbanks

1	Tanana Valley Campus: Campus Center Renewal	4,000,000
2	and Renovation	
3	Museum Completion	1,000,000
4	Anchorage - Raspberry Road Extension	1,500,000
5	Glenn Bragaw Interchange, Phase II	8,500,000
6	Chugiak - Birchwood Eagle River, Rural Road Service	2,000,000
7	Area: Road and Drainage System Rehabilitation	
8	Nome - Nome Joint Utilities, Nome Power Plant	4,000,000
9	Bethel - Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation:	2,000,000
10	Prematernal Home Construction	
11	Northwest Arctic Borough - Kivalina Shoreline Protection	1,650,000
12	Kenai - Kenai Peninsula Borough: Borough-wide Road Upgrades	1,800,000
13	Department of Transportation and Public Facilities:	2,000,000
14	Wik Road Improvements	
15	Wrangell - Heritage Harbor Float System	2,200,000
16	Ketchikan - Alaska Industrial Development and Export	2,740,000
17	Authority: Ketchikan Shipyard Improvements	
18	Juneau - Juneau Community Foundation: Recreation/Sports	4,000,000
19	Complex Design and Construction	
20	Kodiak - City of Kodiak: Municipal Airport Improvements	700,000
21	City of Kodiak: Public Safety Building	1,000,000
22	City of Kodiak: Pier III Repairs	300,000
23	Kodiak Island Borough: Ouzinkie Dock Replacement	570,000
24	Kodiak Island Borough: Near Island Facility	500,000
25	Seward - City of Seward: Seward T Dock and Bulkhead Phase II	1,200,000
26	Homer - City of Homer: New City Hall	2,000,000
27	Valdez - Small Boat Harbor Improvements	1,000,000
28	Sitka - City and Borough of Sitka: University of	5,000,000
29	Alaska Benchland Subdivision Utilities, Water Tank,	
30	Sewer Infrastructure, and Related Road Improvements	
31	Southeast Islands - City of Craig: Ward Cove Cannery	1,000,000

1	Renovation and Upgrades	
2	Hoonah: Marine Industrial Center, Phase II	1,000,000
3	Skagway: Dahl Memorial Clinic Construction	500,000
4	Matanuska-Susitna - City of Palmer: Palmer Southwest	2,000,000
5	Sewer and Water Extension	
6	City of Palmer: Palmer Road Improvements	1,300,000
7	Matanuska-Susitna Borough: Borough-wide	4,000,000
8	Road Upgrades	
9	Fairbanks - City of Fairbanks: City-wide Road	1,112,000
10	Improvements and Upgrades	
11	Fairbanks North Star Borough: Yankovich/Miller Hill	1,500,000
12	Road - Multi-use Path Construction	
13	Fairbanks North Star Borough: Borough-wide	3,765,500
14	Road Improvements and Upgrades	
15	Department of Transportation and Public Facilities:	5,089,000
16	Fairbanks Metropolitan Area Transportation System -	
17	Transportation Improvement Program	
18	Department of Transportation and Public Facilities:	5,900,000
19	Steese Expressway/3rd Street Intersection	
20	Improvements	
21	Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic	3,200,000
22	Development - Alaska Energy Authority:	
23	ALCAN Intertie	
24	Regulatory Commission of Alaska Information	700,000
25	Technology Upgrade	
26	TOTAL	\$169,976,500

(e) When the bonds authorized under (a) of this section are no longer considered to be outstanding under the provisions of the documents under which they are issued, the residual revenue stream derived from the settlement of State of Alaska v. Philip Morris, Incorporated, et al., No. IJU-97-915 CI (Alaska Super. 1997) that secured repayment of those bonds reverts to the state, and, at that time, the Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation shall take the

1 actions that are necessary to complete this reversion.

2 * **Sec. 2.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
3 read:

4 **SPECIFIC PROVISIONS RELATED TO BOND AUTHORIZATION.** (a) The bonds
5 authorized under sec. 1(a) of this Act may be special, limited obligations of the Northern
6 Tobacco Securitization Corporation and may only be secured (1) by the revenues sold to the
7 Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation under sec. 9, ch. 130, SLA 2000, sec. 3, ch. 96,
8 SLA 2001, and the agreement or modification authorized under sec. 1(b) of this Act; and (2)
9 by the right, title, and interest of the Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation in and to
10 any agreements between the Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation and the state
11 entered into under sec. 9, ch. 130, SLA 2000, sec. 3, ch. 96, SLA 2001, or sec. 1(b) of this
12 Act.

13 (b) The Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation may include in agreements with
14 the bondholders a pledge of the right to receive revenues identified in (a)(1) of this section
15 and all rights of the Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation under agreements identified
16 in (a)(2) of this section, and may also include the promise of the state to honor that pledge. A
17 pledge made under this subsection is subject to the provisions of AS 18.56.120, and bonds
18 issued under sec. 1(a) of this Act are subject to the provisions of AS 18.56.170, in each case
19 as though "corporation" in those statutes means the Northern Tobacco Securitization
20 Corporation.

21 (c) In this section, "Northern Tobacco Securitization Corporation" means the
22 subsidiary corporation of the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation created under
23 AS 18.56.086.

24 * **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect July 1, 2006.