

JUDICIARY

29. Department of Education and Early Development / Judiciary

Capital Bill (HCS CSSB 57(FIN) am H(efd fld H), Sec. 12)

(a) The proceeds from the sale of the Stratton Library building in Sitka are appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education and Early Development, Alaska state libraries, archives and museums, for renovation and repair of, and other necessary projects related to, the Sheldon Jackson Museum in Sitka and other buildings and facilities. It is the intent of the legislature that the department and the Alaska Court System negotiate in good faith to facilitate the sale and, if the parties agree on the terms of the sale, that the Alaska Court System submit a request for a supplemental appropriation in the amount of the purchase price.

The Alaska Court System has reached an agreement with the Department of Education and Early Development for the purchase of the Stratton Library for \$2,000,000, contingent on the appropriation of funds sufficient for the purchase.

Legislative Fiscal Analyst Comment: The Judiciary Branch reports that they submitted a supplemental capital request of \$2 million for the purchase of the building, but it was not included in the FY27 Governor's request.