

Introduced by: Council Members Therrien,
Rogers, Kun, and Ottersten
Introduced: April 22, 2019

RESOLUTION NO. 4875

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 50, AN ACT
IMPOSING AN ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES MAINTENANCE
AND CONSTRUCTION TAX**

WHEREAS, from 1919 to 1980, Alaska had an annual employment head tax for the purpose of collecting revenue to fund schools; and

WHEREAS, when repealed in 1980, the tax was \$10.00 per person, which has the equivalent value today of \$30.00; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 50 proposed to revise the repealed head tax on individuals, both resident and non-resident, with income from a source in Alaska; and

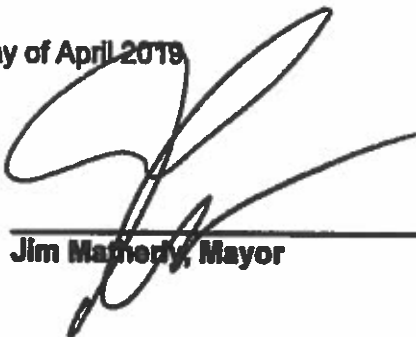
WHEREAS, according to statistics from the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development and the U.S. Census Bureau, there are approximately 441,598 employed individuals in Alaska, and roughly 20% of those workers do not reside in the state; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the proposed \$30 per person tax would generate \$13 million each year; and

WHEREAS, under Senate Bill 50, the revenue collected would be deposited in the state's general fund and accounted for separately to pay for the growing maintenance and construction needs of Alaska's schools.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairbanks City Council supports the passage of Senate Bill 50 and directs the City Clerk to distribute this signed resolution to Interior Alaska legislators.

PASSED and APPROVED this 22nd day of April 2019



Jim Matherly, Mayor

AYES: Therrien, Rogers, Ottersten, Kun, Cleworth
NAYS: Pruhs
ABSENT: None
APPROVED: April 22, 2019

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


D. Danielle Sneider, CMC, City Clerk


Paul Ewers, City Attorney

FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION 2019-21:

**SUPPORT FOR SB 50: EMPLOYMENT TAX FOR EDUCATION FACILITIES
IN THE STATE'S K-12 SCHOOL SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, recent research by the Association of Alaska School Boards, the Alaska Council of School Administrators, and the Coalition for Education Equity in Alaska shows Alaska adults overwhelmingly support government funding for public K-12 schools and support elected officials who support public K-12 education; and

WHEREAS, from 1919 to 1980, Alaska, as a Territory and a State, imposed an annual employment head tax for the purpose of funding schools; and

WHEREAS, when repealed in 1980, the tax was \$10 per person, and when adjusted for inflation would have the equivalent value of \$30 today; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Superintendents Association believes most working Alaskans would readily pay such a tax again if it were reinstated at the proposed \$30 per worker; and

WHEREAS, the current budget deficit of the State of Alaska constrains the state's ability to address maintenance and new school construction needs in our school systems; and

WHEREAS, the need remains to finalize and implement a complete long-term multi-revenue fiscal plan for the State that includes additional revenue streams; and

WHEREAS, SB 50, which revives the employment head tax imposed on both residents and nonresidents, is estimated to raise \$13 million annually; and

WHEREAS, these new funds will be accounted for separately and used to pay for the growing maintenance and construction needs of Alaska's K-12 schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Fairbanks North Star Borough Board of Education supports SB 50: Employment Tax for Education Facilities to address the capital needs of Alaska's schools, and encourages the Alaska Legislature and Governor Dunleavy to approve SB 50, as soon as possible.

Passed and Approved: April 16, 2019


Wendy Dominique, President
Board of Education

ATTEST:



Sharon Tuttle
Executive Assistant to the Board of Education





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**YUKON-KOYUKUK SCHOOL DISTRICT
RESOLUTION 19-06**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SB 50, SPONSORED BY SENATOR BISHOP, A BILL TO RAISE
NEW REVENUE IN SUPPORT OF CAPITAL NEEDS IN THE STATE'S K-12 SCHOOL SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, from 1919 to 1980, Alaska, as a Territory and a State, imposed an annual employment head tax for the purpose of funding schools; and

WHEREAS, when repealed in 1980, the tax was \$10 per person, which has the equivalent value of \$30 today; and

WHEREAS, the current budget deficit of the State of Alaska constrains the state's ability to address deferred maintenance needs and new school construction needs in our school system; and

WHEREAS, SB 50, which revives the employment head tax imposed on both residents and nonresidents is estimated to raise \$13 million annually; and

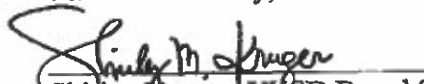
WHEREAS, these new funds will be accounted for separately and used to pay for the growing maintenance and construction needs of Alaska's K-12 schools.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Yukon Koyukuk School District supports Senator Bishop's efforts to address the capital needs of Alaska's schools and encourages the Alaska Legislature to favorably consider SB 50.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE YUKON KOYUKUK SCHOOL DISTRICT THIS 5th DAY OF April 2019.

ATTEST:


Maurice McGinty, YKSD Board Chairperson


Shirley Kruger, YKSD Board Secretary

**ALASKA GATEWAY SCHOOL DISTRICT
RESOLUTION #19-03
RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SB50, AN ANNUAL HEAD TAX TO RAISE
REVENUE IN SUPPORT OF CAPITAL NEEDS FOR ALASKA'S K-12 SCHOOLS**

WHEREAS, the current budget deficit of the state of Alaska constrains the states ability to address deferred maintenance and new school construction needs, AND

WHEREAS, from 1919 to 1980 Alaska, as a Territory and a State imposed an annual employment head tax for the purpose of funding schools; AND

WHEREAS, when repealed in 1980 the tax was \$10, which is the equivalent of \$30 today when adjusted; AND

WHEREAS, SB50, as proposed by Sen. Bishop revives the employment head tax imposed on both residents and non-residents; AND

WHEREAS, this tax is expected to raise \$13,000,000 annually; AND

WHEREAS, these new funds will be accounted for separately and used to pay for the growing maintenance and construction needs of Alaska's schools.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of the Alaska Gateway School District strongly supports Senator Bishops efforts in promoting SB50 to address the capital needs of Alaska's schools and encourages the legislature as a whole body to also support SB50..

ADOPTED by the Alaska Gateway School Board this 20th day of May, 2019.



Peter Talus, Board President
Alaska Gateway School District



**DENALI BOROUGH ALASKA
RESOLUTION NO. 19-08**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SB 50, SPONSORED BY SENATOR
BISHOP, A BILL TO RAISE NEW REVENUE IN SUPPORT OF CAPITAL
NEEDS IN THE STATE'S K-12 SCHOOL SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, from 1919 to 1980, Alaska, as a Territory and a State, imposed an annual employment head tax for the purpose of funding schools; and

WHEREAS, when repealed in 1980, the tax was \$10 per person, which has the equivalent value of \$30 today; and

WHEREAS, the current budget deficit of the State of Alaska constrains the state's ability to address deferred maintenance needs and new school construction needs in our school system; and

WHEREAS, SB 50, which revives the employment head tax imposed on both residents and nonresidents, is estimated to raise \$13 million annually; and

WHEREAS, these new funds will be accounted for separately and used to pay for the growing maintenance and construction needs of Alaska's K-12 schools.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Denali Borough Assembly supports Senator Bishop's efforts to address the capital needs of Alaska's schools and encourages the Alaska Legislature to favorably consider SB 50.

PASSED and APPROVED by the DENALI BOROUGH ASSEMBLY this 13th day of March, 2019.



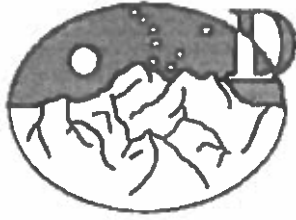
CLAY WALKER, MAYOR

ATTEST: 

Amber Renshaw, BOROUGH CLERK



VOTE: unanimous



Denali Borough School District

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Resolution 19-05

A Resolution by the Denali Borough School District in Support of SB 50, Sponsored by Senator Bishop, to Raise New Revenue in Support of Capital Needs for the State's K-12 School System

WHEREAS, from 1919 to 1980, Alaska, as a Territory and a State, imposed an annual employment head tax for the purpose of funding schools; and


WHEREAS, when repealed in 1980, the tax was \$10 per person, which has the equivalent value of \$30 today; and

WHEREAS, the current budget deficit of the State of Alaska constrains the state's ability to address deferred maintenance needs and new school construction needs in our school systems; and

WHEREAS, SB 50, which revives the employment head tax imposed on both residents and nonresidents, is estimated to raise \$13 million annually; and


WHEREAS, these new funds will be accounted for separately and used to pay for the growing maintenance and construction needs of Alaska's K-12 schools.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Denali Borough School District supports Senator Bishop's efforts in promoting SB 50 to address the capital needs of Alaska's schools and encourages the Alaska Legislature to favorably consider SB 50.


James Tench, DBSD Board Chair
Denali Borough School District

3/21/2019

Date


Trista Davis, DBSD Board Secretary
Denali Borough School District

3/21/19

Date

The foregoing Resolution was PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED by the Denali Borough School District Board of Education this 21st day of March 2019.

Mission Statement

Nurturing, empowering and inspiring today's student to positively shape tomorrow's world

NENANA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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RESOLUTION NUMBER 01-2019

A Resolution by Nenana City School District in Support of SB 50, Sponsored by Senator Bishop, to Raise New Revenue in Support of Capital Needs for the State's K-12 School System

WHEREAS, from 1919 to 1980, Alaska as a Territory and State, imposed an annual employment head tax for the purpose of funding schools; and

WHEREAS, when repealed in 1980, the tax was \$10 per person, which is the equivalent value of \$30 today; and

WHEREAS, the current budget deficit of the State of Alaska constrains the state's ability to address differed maintenance needs and new school construction needs in our school systems; and

WHEREAS, SB 50, which revives the employment head tax imposed on both residents and nonresidents, is estimated to raise \$13 million annually; and

WHEREAS, these new funds will be accounted for separately and used to pay for the growing maintenance and construction needs of Alaska's K-12 school.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THE NENANA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT supports Senator Bishop's efforts in promoting SB 50 to address the capital needs of Alaska's schools and encourages the Alaska Legislature to favorably consider SB 50.

DATED THIS 3rd DAY OF APRIL 2019.

ATTEST:


Rosemary Allen, President


Maryellen Robinson, Board Member

Mission Statement

The Nenana City School District will provide an innovative education through the utilization of tools and techniques that engage students in relevant activities that promote personalized learning, problem-solving, engaged citizenship, and teamwork.

RESOLUTION OF TANANA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Resolution No. 2018-2019-02

**A Resolution by the Tanana City School District in Support of SB 50, Sponsored by Senator
Click Bishop, to Raise New Revenue in Support of Capital Needs for the State's K-12 School
System**

WHEREAS, from 1919-1980, Alaska, as a Territory and a State, imposed an annual employment head tax for the purpose of funding schools; and

WHEREAS, when repealed in 1980, the tax was \$10 per person, which as the equivalent value of \$30 today, and

WHEREAS, the current budget deficit of the State of Alaska constrains the state's ability to address differed maintenance needs and new school construction needs in our school systems; and

WHEREAS, SB 50, which revives the employment head tax imposed on both residents and nonresidents, is estimated to raise \$13 million annually, and

WHEREAS, these new funds will be accounted for separately and used to pay for the growing maintenance and construction needs of Alaska's K-12 schools.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Tanana City School District supports Senator Bishop's efforts in promoting SB 50 to address the capital needs of Alaska's schools and encourages the Alaska Legislature to favorably consider SB 50.



Courtney Agnes, School Board President

DATE: 4-16-19



Cliff Wiehl, School Board Vice-President

DATE: 4-16-19

The foregoing Resolution was approved by the Tanana City School District's Board of Directors on April 4, 2019 public meeting.



**Iditarod Area School District
PO Box 90
McGrath, AK 99627**

Resolution 19-02

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SB 50, SPONSORED BY SENATOR BISHOP,

A BILL TO RAISE NEW REVENUE IN SUPPORT OF CAPITAL NEEDS IN THE STATE'S K-12 SCHOOL SYSTEM

WHEREAS, From 1919 to 1980, Alaska, as a Territory and a State, imposed an annual employment head tax for the purpose of funding schools, and

WHEREAS, when repealed in 1980, the tax was \$10 per person, which has the equivalent value of \$30 today; and

WHEREAS, the current budget deficit of the State of Alaska constrains the state's ability to address deferred maintenance needs and new school construction needs in our school system; and

WHEREAS, SB 50 which revives the employment head tax imposed on both residents and nonresidents, is estimated to raise \$13 million annually, and

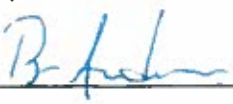
WHEREAS, these new funds will be accounted for separately and used to pay for the growing maintenance and construction needs of Alaska's K-12 schools.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Iditarod Area School District Board of Education supports Senator Bishop's efforts to address the capital needs of Alaska's school and encourages the Alaska Legislature to favorably consider SB50.

Passed and Approved by the Iditarod Area School District Board of Education this 23rd day of April, 2019

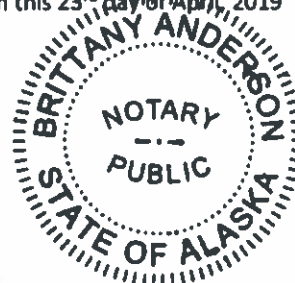


Alice Dale, Board of Education Chairman

ATTEST:  4/23/2019

Brittany Anderson, Notary

My Commission Expires February 14, 2020



Vote:

SOUTHEAST ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
Resolution 2019-04

A Resolution by the Southeast Island School District in Support of SB 50, Sponsored by Senator Bishop, to Raise New Revenue in Support of Capital Needs for the State's K-12 School System.

WHEREAS, from 1919 to 1980, Alaska, as a Territory and a State, imposed an annual employment head tax for the purpose of funding schools; and

WHEREAS, when repealed in 1980, the tax was \$10 per person, which has the equivalent value of \$30 today; and

WHEREAS, the current budget deficit of the State of Alaska constrains the state's ability to address deferred maintenance needs and new school construction needs in our school systems; and

WHEREAS, SB 50, which revives the employment head tax imposed on both residents and nonresidents, is estimated to raise \$13 million annually; and

WHEREAS, these new funds will be accounted for separately and used to pay for the growing maintenance and construction needs of Alaska's K-12 schools.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Southeast Island School Board of Education supports Senator Bishop's efforts in promoting SB50 to address the capital needs of Alaska's schools and encourages the Alaska Legislature to favorably consider SB 50.

ADOPTED April 17, 2019 at a duly convened meeting of the Southeast Island School District Board of Education at which a quorum was present and voting.



Heidi Young
SISD Board President

Attested:



Shannon Silverthorn
SISD Board Clerk