

HOUSE BILL NO. 480

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Introduced: 4/1/98

Referred: Transportation

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to maintenance of state marine vessels; and providing for an
2 effective date."

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 36.90 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 **Sec. 36.90.049. Maintenance of state marine vessels.** (a) A marine vessel
6 owned by the state shall be maintained and repaired at a shipyard facility located in
7 the state unless the commissioner of the department that operates the marine vessel
8 determines in writing that there is no shipyard facility located in the state that is
9 equipped or qualified to perform the particular maintenance or repair required, or, after
10 taking into consideration the Alaska bidder preference set out in AS 36.30.170 and the
11 interport differential, as determined by the Alaska marine highway system under this
12 section, that the proposed cost of the maintenance or repair work is unreasonable. In
13 making the determination, the commissioner shall consider, and document in writing,
14 the direct and indirect benefits to the economy and labor force in the state that would

1 be derived by performing the vessel maintenance or repair at a facility in the state.
2 A detailed list of the costs and factors considered in calculating the interport
3 differential must be provided to each person who expresses an interest in submitting
4 a bid to perform maintenance or repair work on a marine vessel owned by the state.

5 (b) The competitive bid provisions of AS 36.30 do not apply to a contract for
6 the maintenance or repair of a marine vessel owned by the state if the contract is
7 awarded to a shipyard facility in the state.

8 (c) The commissioner of the department that operates a marine vessel shall
9 adopt regulations establishing the criteria that the department shall use to determine
10 whether the cost of maintenance or repair work at a shipyard facility located in the
11 state is reasonable under (a) of this section. The commissioner shall designate by
12 regulation the designated base port for each vessel operated by the department. A
13 vessel's designated base port is the vessel's delivery and redelivery port.

14 (d) The Alaska marine highway system shall adopt regulations establishing the
15 criteria that the Alaska marine highway system shall use in calculating the interport
16 differential under this section. The criteria for calculating the interport differential
17 must include costs incurred from the time that the vessel leaves the vessel's designated
18 base port to enter the shipyard facility until the time that the vessel returns to the
19 designated base port from the shipyard facility.

20 (e) In this section,

21 (1) "commissioner of the department that operates the marine vessel"
22 includes the president of the University of Alaska with regard to a vessel operated by
23 the university;

24 (2) "interport differential" includes all costs related to the performance
25 of the maintenance or repair work of a marine vessel at a shipyard located outside of
26 the state, including travel costs incurred moving the vessel from its designated base
27 port to the shipyard outside of the state, additional fuel consumption, cost of
28 consumables including lubricants and other engine and deck stores, maintenance costs
29 incurred during running time, cost of crew transfers including airfare between Alaska
30 and the shipyard, wages in travel status, crew room and board, and other interport
31 costs identified by the Alaska marine highway system.

1 * **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).