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A M E N D M E N T # 2

TO: CS HB 103 (Fin)

Add new sections:

Sec. __ DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT.
Contingent upon passage by the First Regular Session of the Twenty-Second
Alaska State Legislature and the enactment into law of an increase in the receipts
collected under AS 43.60.010, the following amounts are appropriated from the
general fund to the Department of Education and Early Development for the
fiscal year ending in June 30, 2002 for the purposes described:

PURPOSE	AMOUNT
Early Development – Head Start Grants	562,000
Early Development – Child Care Assistance & Licensing (child care subsidy)	427,600

Sec. __ DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES. Contingent
upon passage by the First Regular Session of the Twenty-Second Alaska State
Legislature and the enactment into law of an increase in the receipts collected
under AS 43.60.010, the following amounts are appropriated from the general
fund to the Department of Health and Social Services for the fiscal year ending in
June 30, 2002 for the purposes described:

PURPOSE	AMOUNT
Front Line Social Workers – Front Line Social Workers	650,000
Balloon Project – Balloon Project	241,800
Purchased Services – Foster Care Special Needs	150,000

*Funding for Front Line Social Workers will provide funding for case note
transcription services (\$450,000), which will allow social workers to spend more time in
the field and provide greater efficiency in casework management. This additional funding
for social workers will assist in the implementation of risk and safety assessment tool
(\$200,000), which was a recommendation of a 1998 Legislative Budget and Audit report.
The Balloon Project will continue to move children from foster care to family adoption.
The foster care provision will provide for a citizen review and participation in 6-month
review conference.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES. Contingent upon passage by the First Regular Session of the Twenty-Second Alaska State Legislature and the enactment into law of an increase in the receipts collected under AS 43.60.010, the following amounts are appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Health and Social Services for the fiscal year ending in June 30, 2002 for the purposes described:

PURPOSE	AMOUNT
State Health Services – Infant Learning Program Grants	700,000 GF/MH

This will help reduce the wait list for children. A child that does not receive these services while they are very young may never be able to overcome the deficits of the early years.