

**HOUSE BILL NO. 524**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

**BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Introduced: 4/23/02**  
**Referred: Finance**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purpose of paying**  
2 **the cost of design, construction, and maintenance of schools and state facilities; and**  
3 **providing for an effective date."**

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

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

7 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS. For the purpose of paying the cost of design,  
8 construction, and maintenance of schools and state facilities, general obligation bonds of the  
9 state in the principal amount of not more than \$100,000,000, if ratified by a majority of the  
10 qualified voters of the state who vote on the question, shall be issued and sold. The full faith,  
11 credit, and resources of the state are pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest  
12 and redemption premium, if any, on the bonds. The bonds shall be issued under the  
13 provisions of AS 37.15 as those provisions read at the time of issuance.

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

3 SCHOOL AND STATE FACILITY DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND  
4 MAINTENANCE FUND. If the issuance of the bonds is ratified by a majority of the  
5 qualified voters of the state who vote on the question, a special fund of the state to be known  
6 as the "School and state facility design, construction, and maintenance fund" shall be  
7 established, to which shall be credited the proceeds of the sale of the bonds described in sec. 1  
8 of this Act except for the accrued interest and premiums.

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

11 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES. The  
12 amount of \$100,000,000 is appropriated from the school and state facility design,  
13 construction, and maintenance fund to the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities  
14 to be allocated by the department to projects selected by the department for the design,  
15 construction, and maintenance of schools and state facilities.

16 \* **Sec. 4.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
17 read:

18 STATE BOND COMMITTEE. If the issuance of the bonds is ratified by a majority  
19 of the qualified voters of the state who vote on the question, the amount of \$350,000 or as  
20 much of that amount as is found necessary is appropriated from the proceeds of the sale of the  
21 bonds authorized by this Act to the state bond committee to carry out the provisions of this  
22 Act and to pay expenses incident to the sale and issuance of the bonds authorized by this Act.

23 \* **Sec. 5.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
24 read:

25 ADVANCE PLANNING. Any amount withdrawn from the public facility planning  
26 fund (AS 35.10.135) for the purpose of advance planning for the capital improvements  
27 financed under this Act shall be reimbursed to the fund from the proceeds of the sale of bonds  
28 authorized by this Act.

29 \* **Sec. 6.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
30 read:

31 LAPSE; REDEMPTION; REIMBURSEMENT. The unexpended and unobligated

1 balance of the appropriation made in sec. 3 of this Act lapses under AS 37.25.020 and is  
 2 appropriated to the state bond committee to redeem bonds sold under this Act. The amounts  
 3 expended from the general fund to pay the principal, interest, and redemption premium on  
 4 bonds issued under this Act shall be reimbursed to the general fund from the appropriation  
 5 made under this section to the extent that the money is not needed to redeem the bonds.

6 \* **Sec. 7.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
 7 read:

8 **BALLOT QUESTION.** The question whether the bonds authorized by this Act are to  
 9 be issued shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the state at the next general election and  
 10 shall read substantially as follows:

11 **P R O P O S I T I O N**

12 State General Obligation School and State Facility, Design,  
 13 Construction, and Maintenance Bonds \$100,000,000

14 Shall the State of Alaska issue its general obligation bonds in  
 15 the principal amount of not more than \$100,000,000 for the  
 16 purpose of paying for the cost of design, construction, and  
 17 maintenance of schools and state facilities?

18 Bonds Yes [ ]

19 Bonds No [ ]

20 \* **Sec. 8.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).