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 Title: "An Act establishing the Alaska Commercial BRU: Marine Highway System
Passenger Vessel Coastal Protection Program..." Component: Southeast & Southwest
 Sponsor: Rules by Request of the Governor Vessel Operations
 Requester: _____ Component Number: 630 & 631

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Personal Services	75.0	75.0	75.0	75.0	75.0	75.0
Travel	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Contractual	25.0	50.0	50.0	50.0	50.0	50.0
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	110.0	135.0	135.0	135.0	135.0	135.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()						
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	110.0	135.0	135.0	135.0	135.0	135.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type)						
TOTAL	110.0	135.0	135.0	135.0	135.0	135.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2001) cost: 0.0

POSITIONS

Full-time	1	1	1	1	1	1
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

(See Attached)

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Fiscal Note Analysis

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SB 134 #3

“An Act establishing the Alaska Commercial Passenger Vessel Coastal Protection Program...”

This bill would require six vessels of the Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS) to have a permit issued from the Department of Environmental Conservation to operate in Alaskan waters. (Six vessels have overnight accommodations for over 50 passengers) The permit would be subject to terms and conditions to be determined through the regulation process if this bill becomes law. Because those regulations are not yet in place, this fiscal analysis is based on assumptions about the extent of monitoring and reporting to be required.

New Position

In order to ensure compliance with this bill the AMHS would need an Environmental Compliance Manager position. This position would be in charge of developing procedures, monitoring procedures, sampling waste discharges, and participating in industry task forces related to environmental concerns. This position would develop the required documentation systems for the discharge of pollutants. The cost of this position is estimated to be \$85,000 per year.

Wastewater Monitoring

Wastewater monitoring requires drawing samples of wastewater and quickly sending them to an approved laboratory to analyze for contamination. It is assumed these samples would be required every two months the vessel is in operation. For the six AMHS vessels, four of which operate all year round, this would equate to about 30 such samples per year. It is estimated these samples would cost \$1,000 each including the collection time, lab fees, and shipping expenses. Total Cost: \$30,000 per year.

Air Emission Monitoring

The monitoring of air emissions from the vessels' stacks would most likely be done by a visual opacity test. In order to maintain objectivity we assume this would have to be done by an independent contractor. If the emissions were monitored once a week per vessel, the total cost would be approximately \$20,000. (\$100 per test X 200 weeks)

Solid Waste Monitoring

The AMHS already has in place procedures to dispose of hazardous solid waste. It is anticipated no additional expenses would need to be incurred to comply in this area.

Note: It is assumed an effective date of the regulations would be Jan. 1, 2002, so monitoring costs would begin then.