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 Title Gas Pipeline Transportation Tariffs BRU Regulatory Commission of Alaska (399)
 Component Regulatory Commission of Alaska
 Sponsor Senator Wagoner
 Requester Senate Labor & Commerce Component No. 2417

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2003) cost: 0.0

Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2004 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Please see analysis continuation.

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 Agency Department of Community & Economic Development

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ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

While not explicitly stated, the services allowed by this bill are typically regarded as contract carriage. The 2000 Legislature allowed it for transportation of natural gas from the North Slope, partially to bring State statutes into accord with FERC rules for interstate gas transport. This language expands the statutory recognition of contract carriage to all parts of the State. Because common carrier language is retained in AS 42.06, RCA retains the ability to provide any and all shippers access to transport service on intrastate pipelines through its regulatory processes.

There are no fiscal impacts on RCA for this bill , however it is expected that where producers elect to own and operate a pipeline, which is allowed under state statute, contract carriage with service under these statutory terms will be proposed to RCA in pipeline tariff filings. RCA will consider this under the statutory public interest standard.

RCA's budget is funded through the Regulatory Cost Charge (RCC) mechanism and direct charge mechanisms. No general funds are allocated for support of the agency. The RCC is recalculated each year and allows the agency to recover its operating costs through an assessment on the revenues of the utilities and pipeline carriers it regulates. The RCC is capped at 0.8 % of regulated utilities annual gross revenues.