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**OPERATING BUDGET AMENDMENT #3**

**To:** CSHB365 (Fin)

Offered by: Berkowitz, Cissna, Crawford, Croft, Gara, Gardner, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Joule, Kapsner, Kerttula, Moses, Salmon

**Add:**

**Department:** Department of Health and Social Services

**Appropriation:** Senior and Disabilities Services

**Allocation:** Longevity Bonus

**Add:** \$25,000.0

**Funding Source:** General Fund

**Explanation:** The Longevity Bonus Program was a promise made by the State to the seniors residing in Alaska to make monthly payments up to \$250/month as long as the senior continued to reside in the state. This program was unfunded in FY2004 as a result of a gubernatorial veto of the appropriation made for that purpose. This would reinstate funding for those seniors who were enrolled in the program at the time funding was eliminated who continue to reside in Alaska.