

**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 286(FIN)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

**BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Offered: 4/11/12**

**Referred: Rules**

**Sponsor(s): HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act providing for and relating to the issuance of general obligation bonds for the**  
2 **purpose of paying the cost of state transportation projects; and providing for an**  
3 **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 and  
8 construction of state transportation projects and costs incident to the sale and issuance of the  
9 bonds, general obligation bonds of the state in the principal amount of not more than  
10 \$453,499,200, if ratified by a majority of the qualified voters of the state who vote on the  
11 question, shall be issued and sold. The full faith, credit, and resources of the state are pledged  
12 to the payment of the principal of and interest and redemption premium, if any, on the bonds.  
13 The bonds shall be issued under the provisions of AS 37.15 as those provisions read at the  
14 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             2012 STATE TRANSPORTATION PROJECT FUND. If the issuance of the bonds is  
4 ratified by a majority of the qualified voters of the state who vote on the question, a special  
5 fund of the state to be known as the "2012 state transportation project fund" shall be  
6 established, to which shall be credited the proceeds of the sale of the bonds described in sec. 1  
7 of this Act including premiums.

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

10            DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC  
11 DEVELOPMENT. The amount of \$191,400,000 is appropriated from the 2012 state  
12 transportation project fund to the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic  
13 Development to be awarded as grants under AS 37.05.315 or AS 37.05.316, as applicable, to  
14 recipients for projects as follows:

15	PROJECT	AMOUNT
16	City of Sitka - Sawmill Cove Industrial Park	\$ 7,500,000
17	bulkhead dock	
18	Haines Borough - boat harbor upgrades	15,000,000
19	City of Seward - Marine Industrial Center expansion	10,000,000
20	City of Kodiak - Pier III replacement	15,000,000
21	Bristol Bay Borough - Port of Bristol Bay	7,000,000
22	expansion and pile dock replacement	
23	City of Togiak - waterfront transit facility	3,300,000
24	City of St. George - harbor reconstruction	3,000,000
25	City of Sand Point - Sand Point Road rehabilitation	2,500,000
26	Newtok Traditional Council - Mertarvik evacuation	4,100,000
27	road construction	
28	City of Bethel - harbor dredging	4,000,000
29	City of Nome - deep draft port design and construction	10,000,000
30	City of Kotzebue - Cape Blossom Road and deep water port	10,000,000
31	Municipality of Anchorage - Port of Anchorage	50,000,000

1	expansion	
2	Matanuska-Susitna Borough - Port MacKenzie	30,000,000
3	rail extension	
4	Matanuska - Susitna Borough - Bogard Road extension East	13,500,000
5	City of Nenana - Totchaket resource development	6,500,000
6	corridor access	

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

9 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC FACILITIES. The amount  
10 of \$258,500,000 is appropriated from the 2012 state transportation project fund to the  
11 Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to be allocated among the following  
12 projects in the amounts listed subject to reallocation between projects in accordance with  
13 AS 37.07.080(e):

14	PROJECT	AMOUNT
15	Ketchikan - Shelter Cove Road construction/extension	\$19,000,000
16	Sitka - Katlian Bay Road construction	14,000,000
17	Juneau - Mendenhall Loop rehabilitation	6,000,000
18	Juneau - Glacier Highway, MP 4 - 6 rehabilitation	5,500,000
19	Elliott Highway, MP 108 - 120 reconstruction	6,500,000
20	Fairbanks - Old Steese Highway to McGrath Road	24,000,000
21	reconstruction/extension	
22	North Pole - Plack Road pedestrian pathway	5,000,000
23	Fairbanks - Wendell Street bridge replacement	14,400,000
24	Richardson Highway - Ruby Creek Bridge replacement	11,000,000
25	Kenai - Kenai Spur Road rehabilitation	20,000,000
26	Platinum Airport runway extension	3,100,000
27	Port Clarence access improvements	4,000,000
28	Anchorage - O'Malley Road reconstruction	15,000,000
29	Anchorage - Glenn Highway/Muldoon Road interchange	15,000,000
30	reconstruction	
31	Anchorage - Glenn Highway, Hiland Road to Artillery Road	35,000,000

1	reconstruction	
2	Anchorage - New Seward Highway/36th Avenue	26,000,000
3	reconstruction	
4	Anchorage - New Seward Highway - MP 75-90	10,000,000
5	bridge repairs	
6	Fairview Loop reconstruction	10,000,000
7	Knik Goose Bay Road reconstruction	15,000,000

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

10 STATE BOND COMMITTEE. If the issuance of the bonds is ratified by a majority of  
11 the qualified voters of the state who vote on the question, the amount of \$3,599,200 or as  
12 much of that amount as is found necessary is appropriated from the 2012 state transportation  
13 project fund of the state to the state bond committee to carry out the provisions of this Act and  
14 to pay expenses incident to the sale and issuance of the bonds authorized in this Act.

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

17 LAPSE; REDEMPTION; REIMBURSEMENT. The unexpended and unobligated  
18 balances of the appropriations made in sec. 3 of this Act lapse under AS 37.25.020 and are  
19 appropriated to the state bond committee to redeem bonds sold under this Act. The amounts  
20 expended from the general fund to pay the principal, interest, and redemption premium on  
21 bonds issued under this Act shall be reimbursed to the general fund from the appropriation  
22 made under this section to the extent that the money is not needed to redeem the bonds.

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

25 BALLOT QUESTION. The question whether the bonds authorized in this Act are to  
26 be issued shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the state at the first general election  
27 after the effective date of this Act and shall read substantially as follows:

28 PROPOSITION

29 State General Obligation \$453,499,200

30 State Transportation Project Bonds

31 Shall the State of Alaska issue its general obligation bonds in

1                   the principal amount of not more than \$453,499,200 for the  
2                   purpose of paying the cost of state transportation projects?

3                               Bonds                   Yes [ ]

4                               Bonds                   No [ ]

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