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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 682

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to a debt of the state; providing
7 for the issuance of general obligation bonds in the
8 amount of \$17,000,000 for the purpose of paying the
9 cost of designing, acquiring, constructing, equipping,
10 and making other capital improvements to state
11 ferries; providing for the submission to a vote of the
12 qualified voters of the state of the proposition of
13 whether or not such bonds may be issued for such
14 purposes; and providing for an effective date."

15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

16 * Section 1. For the purpose of paying part or all of the cost of
17 designing, acquiring, constructing, equipping, and making other capital
18 improvements to state ferries, general obligation bonds of the state in the
19 principal sum of not to exceed \$17,000,000 shall be issued and sold. The
20 full faith, credit, and resources of the state shall be and are hereby
21 pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds, which
22 bonds shall be issued under the provisions of AS 37.15. The legislature
23 may provide additional sources of money for the payment of such principal
24 and interest, and this Act shall not be deemed to provide an exclusive
25 method of payment. Such bonds shall bear interest at a rate of not to
26 exceed six per cent per annum and shall mature in not to exceed 30 years
27 from date of issue.

28 * Sec. 2. The amounts of such bonds to be issued from time to time and
29 the time or times of their issuance shall be fixed by the State Bond

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1 Committee (created by AS 37.15.110), and the specific uses of the proceeds
2 of such bonds shall be determined by the governor in accordance with the
3 following general purposes and conditions:

4 (1) \$7,000,000 of the total amount of bonds authorized by sec. 1
5 of this Act may be expended only to pay the cost of designing, acquiring,
6 constructing, equipping, and making other capital improvements to state
7 ferries;

8 (2) \$10,000,000 of the total amount of the bonds authorized by
9 sec. 1 of this Act may be used only for the purpose of matching federal
10 monies made available for designing, acquiring, constructing, equipping
11 and making other capital improvements to state ferries.

12 * Sec. 3. In the event the issuance of such bonds is authorized by the
13 qualified voters of the state, the sum of \$50,000 or so much thereof as
14 shall be found necessary is appropriated from the general fund of the
15 state to carry out the provisions of this Act and to pay expenses incident
16 to the sale and issuance of the bonds authorized herein. The amounts
17 expended from the appropriation made by this section shall be reimbursed
18 to the general fund from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized
19 by this Act. In the event the issuance of such bonds is authorized by the
20 qualified voters of the state, any sum appropriated from the general fund
21 for the design of state ferries to be paid for from the proceeds of the
22 bonds authorized by this Act shall be reimbursed from the proceeds of the
23 sale of the bonds, but such reimbursement shall not exceed \$300,000.

24 * Sec. 4. In the event the issuance of such bonds is authorized by the
25 qualified voters of the state, a special fund of the state to be known as
26 the "1968 Ferry Construction Fund" shall be created, into which shall be
27 paid the proceeds of the sale of the bonds described in sec. 1 of this Act
28 except for accrued interest and premiums. There is hereby appropriated
29 from the "1968 Ferry Construction Fund" to the Department of Public Works

1 the sum of \$17,000,000.

2 * Sec. 5. In the event the issuance of such bonds is authorized by the
3 qualified voters of the state, a special fund of the state to be known as
4 the "1968 Ferry General Obligation Bond Redemption Fund" shall be created,
5 to the credit of which there shall be set aside such amounts of money as
6 may be necessary to pay the principal of and interest on the outstanding
7 bonds of the issue described in sec. 1 of this Act, and which fund shall be
8 used for the sole purpose of paying and securing the payment of such
9 principal and interest as the same shall become due.

10 * Sec. 6. The question of whether or not the bonds authorized herein
11 shall be issued for the purposes herein provided shall be submitted to the
12 qualified voters of the state at the next state general election to be held
13 on November 8, 1968, in accordance with the provisions of the constitution
14 and laws of the state. The secretary of state shall fix the ballot title
15 to be submitted to the qualified voters for their ratification of the state
16 debt authorized by this Act, and shall do everything else necessary to
17 place such proposition before said qualified voters at said next state
18 general election.

19 * Sec. 7. The proposition to be submitted to the qualified voters at
20 said election shall read substantially as follows:

21 Proposition

22 State General Obligation Ferry

23 Construction Bonds \$17,000,000

24 Shall the State of Alaska issue its general obligation bonds in the
25 principal sum of not to exceed \$17,000,000 bearing interest not to
26 exceed six per cent per annum and maturing in not to exceed 30 years
27 from date of issue for the purpose of paying part or all of the cost
28 of designing, acquiring, constructing, equipping, and making other
29 capital improvements to state ferries?

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Bonds Yes
Bonds No

* Sec. 8. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without approval.