

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 581

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to a program of state aid for
7 municipal purposes; and providing for an effective
8 date."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 43.18.010(a) is amended to read:

11 (a) During each fiscal year the state shall pay to a city or
12 organized borough of any class which has power to provide the following
13 services and exercises that power

14 (1) \$10 [\$5] per capita to cities and boroughs providing
15 police protection, subject to the conditions of (g) of this section;

16 (2) \$10 [\$2.50] per capita to cities and boroughs providing
17 fire protection; --

18 (A) fire protection includes, but is not limited to,
19 fire protection provided by a volunteer fire department registered
20 with the state fire marshal which has official recognition and
21 financial support from the city or borough in which it is located;

22 (B) in addition to the grants authorized under this
23 section, the state shall pay to a volunteer fire department
24 registered with the state fire marshal and serving an area not
25 in an organized borough or a city a sum for protection purposes
26 equal to \$10 [\$2.50] per capita for the population served by the
27 department, as determined by the state fire marshal using the
28 latest figures of the United States Bureau of the Census or other
29 reliable data; grants shall be made on the same basis to

1 facilitate the organization of volunteer fire departments in an
2 area not in an organized borough or a city, upon application of
3 the proposed fire protection group to the state fire marshal and
4 approval of applications according to standards of organization
5 and service prescribed by regulations promulgated by the state
6 fire marshal;

7 (3) \$2.50 [~~\$1~~] per capita to cities and boroughs providing
8 air or water pollution control or both; and

9 (4) \$2.50 [~~\$1~~] per capita to cities and boroughs providing
10 land use planning;

11 (5) \$2.50 per capita to cities and boroughs providing library
12 services available to the general public.

13 * Sec. 2. AS 43.18.010(b) is amended to read:

14 (b) During each fiscal year the state shall pay to a city or
15 organized borough of any class which has power to provide for road
16 maintenance and exercises the power a sum equal to \$1,500 [~~\$1,000~~] a
17 mile for each mile of road, street or highway maintained by the local
18 government, excluding the official state highway system, roads, streets
19 or highways not dedicated to public use, and alleyways, in accordance
20 with regulations adopted by the Department of Highways.

21 * Sec. 3. AS 43.18.010 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

22 (h) During each fiscal year the state shall pay to a city,
23 organized borough, nonprofit corporation or other nonprofit sponsor,
24 which operates a hospital, a sum equal to \$5 per capita for the popula-
25 tion effectively served by the hospital, as determined by the Department
26 of Health and Welfare. If the department determines that more than one
27 hospital effectively serves the same population, the department shall
28 apportion aid under this subsection in proportion to the number of beds
29 devoted to patient care by each hospital. In this subsection "hospital"

1 means a hospital as defined in AS 18.20.130(1) but excludes a hospital
2 operated or wholly supported by the state or the federal government,
3 or both.

4 * Sec. 4. AS 43.18 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 Sec. 43.18.030. LOCAL TAX LEVY REDUCTION. (a) The intent of
6 this chapter in authorizing state aid for municipal purposes is that
7 local governments reduce local property or sales tax levies in
8 reasonable proportion to the total amount of state aid received by a
9 local government.

10 (b) If a governing body accepting aid under this chapter for a
11 fiscal year does not budget at least one-half the total amount of aid
12 authorized to be received for that fiscal year as a reduction in the
13 local property or sales tax levy in effect on June 30, 1970, the property
14 or sales tax levy proposed for the fiscal year shall be submitted to the
15 qualified voters of the municipality for their approval at a special
16 election for the purpose called and conducted as otherwise provided
17 by law. If a majority of the qualified voters disapprove the proposed
18 property or sales tax levy, the governing body shall reduce the proposed
19 property or sales tax levy for the fiscal year by an amount equal to at
20 least one-half the amount of state aid authorized to be received for
21 the fiscal year under this subsection.

22 (c) Nothing in this section requires reduction of a property or
23 sales tax levy which is necessary in order to satisfy amortization
24 obligations of bonded or other local indebtedness.

25 * Sec. 5. This Act takes effect July 1, 1970.
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