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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 470

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the acquisition, construction and  
7 equipping of a campus student center at the University  
8 of Alaska; relating to the issuance and sale of not  
9 to exceed \$6,000,000 of negotiable revenue bonds of  
10 the university to pay part or all of the cost of the  
11 center; creating a campus student center revenue fund  
12 of the university; relating to the payment and refund-  
13 ing of the bonds and the enforcement of the covenants  
14 of the bonds; and providing for an effective date."

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

16 \* Section 1. (a) There is a special fund of the university to be known  
17 as the "Anchorage Campus Student Center Revenue Fund" which shall be  
18 completely segregated and set apart from all other funds of the university,  
19 which is a trust fund for the uses and purposes provided in this Act, and  
20 into which shall be paid 25 per cent of all student fees, or a lesser per  
21 cent of all student fees determined by the board, and special fee assess-  
22 ments as determined by the board.

23 (b) The money in the revenue fund shall be used only for the purpose  
24 of paying or securing the payment of the principal of and interest and  
25 redemption premium, if any, on the bonds, for the purpose of paying or  
26 securing the payment of the principal of and interest on any other revenue  
27 bonds of the university issued by authorization of the legislature to  
28 provide funds to acquire, construct and equip additions or improvements to  
29 the improvements, the purpose of paying the normal and necessary costs of

1 equipping, maintaining and operating the improvements, the purpose of  
2 paying the cost of renewals, replacements and normal and extraordinary  
3 repairs to the improvements, the purpose of redeeming before their fixed  
4 maturities any and all revenue bonds of the university issued for the  
5 improvements, the purpose of providing funds to acquire, construct and  
6 equip necessary additions and improvements to the improvements and modifica-  
7 tions and extensions of the improvements, and the purpose of providing  
8 funds to pay any and all other normal and necessary costs relating to the  
9 ownership, use and operation of the improvements, all to the extent fixed  
10 and determined by the board in one or more bond resolutions, trust inden-  
11 tures, or trust agreements securing or providing for the issuance of the  
12 bonds adopted or entered into in accordance with this Act.

13 (c) The board may provide for the investment of money in the revenue  
14 fund in the manner it may fix and determine by resolution. The interest  
15 earned upon or any proceeds derived from the sale of these investments  
16 shall be deposited in and become a part of the revenue fund.

17 \* Sec. 2. The university may acquire, construct and equip or provide  
18 for the acquisition, construction and equipping of the improvements in the  
19 manner as determined by the board.

20 \* Sec. 3. (a) For the purpose of providing part or all of the money  
21 necessary to pay the costs of acquiring, constructing and equipping the  
22 improvements, the issuance and sale of revenue bonds of the university in  
23 the total principal sum of not to exceed \$6,000,000 is authorized. The  
24 principal of and interest on these bonds shall be paid out of and secured  
25 by the money required in sec. 1 of this Act to be paid into the revenue  
26 fund and out of any other revenues or money received by the university  
27 which the legislature may authorize to be pledged to such payment, and  
28 which revenues shall likewise be paid into the revenue fund.

29 (b) The board shall create a special bond redemption fund of the

1 university which shall be a trust fund for paying and securing the payment  
2 of the principal of and interest and redemption premium, if any, on the  
3 bonds, and which fund shall be at all times completely segregated and set  
4 apart from all other funds of the university. The board, on behalf of the  
5 university, may obligate and bind the university to set aside and pay into  
6 the bond redemption fund any part or parts of, or all of, or a fixed  
7 proportion of, or a fixed amount of the money in the revenue fund, suffi-  
8 cient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds as they become due  
9 and, if it determines necessary, to set aside and maintain reserves  
10 therefor. The bond redemption fund shall be drawn upon solely for the  
11 purpose of paying the principal of and interest and redemption premium, if  
12 any, on the bonds, and the bonds do not constitute a general obligation of  
13 the state or the university.

14 \* Sec. 4. (a) The bonds may be sold in the amounts or series and at the  
15 time or times as determined by the board. The bonds or each series of bonds  
16 shall be sold at a price so that the effective interest rate over the life  
17 of the bonds sold does not exceed eight per cent a year. Interest shall be  
18 paid annually or semi-annually, and no interest coupon shall evidence  
19 interest at a rate greater than eight per cent. The bonds shall mature at  
20 such time or times as fixed by the board; shall be sold at public or private  
21 sale; may be subject to redemption before their fixed maturity or maturities  
22 as determined by the board and with premium or premiums as fixed by the  
23 board; may be in denominations determined by the board; may be issued in  
24 coupon form and made payable to bearer, or may be registerable as to  
25 principal or principal and interest, or may be made payable to the  
26 purchaser or purchasers thereof, all under regulations and conditions as  
27 the board shall provide; shall be payable as to principal and interest  
28 at the place or places determined by the board; shall be signed on behalf  
29 of the university by the president of the board and shall be attested by the

1 secretary of the board, both of whose signatures may be facsimile signa-  
2 tures; shall have the seal of the university impressed, printed or  
3 lithographed on them, and each of the interest coupons attached to them  
4 shall be signed by the facsimile signatures of the president and secretary;  
5 and shall be issued under and subject to such terms, conditions and  
6 covenants providing for the payment of the principal of them and interest  
7 on them and such other terms, conditions, covenants and protective features  
8 safeguarding the payment and relating to the maintenance, operation and  
9 improvement of the improvements as found necessary by the board, which  
10 covenants may include but are not limited to provisions providing for the  
11 charging, collecting and depositing of student fees, provisions requiring  
12 the setting aside and maintaining of certain reserves to secure the payment  
13 of the principal and interest and provisions requiring the setting aside  
14 and maintenance of certain reserves to maintain, equip, repair, renew,  
15 renovate and replace the improvements and all facilities and equipment used  
16 in connection with the improvements. The board may provide that any addi-  
17 tional bonds hereafter authorized by the legislature to be payable out of  
18 the same source or sources as the bonds authorized by this Act may later be  
19 issued on a parity with the bonds authorized by this Act upon compliance  
20 with any conditions which the board may prescribe, or may provide that no  
21 additional bonds may be so issued payable out of the same said source or  
22 sources on a parity with the bonds authorized by this Act.

23 (b) If found reasonably necessary the board may select a trustee or  
24 trustees for the owners and holders of the bonds or any series of them for  
25 the safeguarding and disbursement of the proceeds of sale of the bonds or  
26 for such duties with respect to the authentication, delivery and registra-  
27 tion of the bonds, or otherwise with respect to the bonds, the funds  
28 established under this Act and the moneys pledged to those funds as the  
29 board may determine, and shall fix the rights, duties, powers and

1 obligations of the trustee or trustees.

2 (c) In its determination of all of the matters and questions relating  
3 to the issuance and sale of the bonds and the fixing of the maturities,  
4 terms, conditions and covenants of them, the decisions of the board shall  
5 be those found to be reasonably necessary for the best interests of the  
6 university and its students and those which will accomplish the most advan-  
7 tageous sale of the bonds, with due regard, however, to necessary or normal  
8 costs of maintenance and operation, renewals and replacements of and  
9 repairs to the improvements and to other improvements and facilities owned,  
10 used, operated or leased by the university, the future growth and expansion  
11 of the university and all of its improvements and facilities, and the possi-  
12 bility of additional revenue bond financing for university purposes. Any  
13 such decisions of the board, as expressed in any resolution authorizing  
14 the issuance of any bonds, shall be final and conclusive when any bonds  
15 have been issued pursuant to the bond resolution.

16 (d) A resolution authorizing the issuance of bonds may provide that  
17 the bonds issued shall contain a recital that they are issued under this  
18 Act, and bonds containing this recital shall be conclusively considered to  
19 be valid and to have been issued in conformity with this Act.

20 (e) The validity of the authorization and issuance of bonds is not  
21 affected by any proceedings for the acquisition or construction of the  
22 improvements for which the bonds have been issued or by contracts in con-  
23 nection with acquisition or construction.

24 \* Sec. 5. (a) The board shall adopt the resolution or resolutions and  
25 prepare all other documents and proceedings necessary for the issuance, sale  
26 and delivery of the bonds or a part or series of the bonds. The resolution  
27 or resolutions shall fix the principal amount, denomination, date, maturi-  
28 ties, place or places of payment, rights of redemption, if any, terms,  
29 form, conditions and covenants of the bonds or each series of them and

1 their date and manner of sale.

2 (b) The owner and holder of a bond or the trustee for the owners and  
3 holders of the bonds or any series of them may by appropriate proceedings  
4 in a court of record of the state, require and compel the transfer, setting  
5 aside and payment of money and the enforcement of all of the terms, condi-  
6 tions and covenants as provided in this Act and in the resolution or  
7 resolutions authorizing the issuance of the bonds or any series of them.

8 \* Sec. 6. The bonds and the coupons attached to them are fully negoti-  
9 able instruments under the laws of the state.

10 \* Sec. 7. (a) The bonds or any part of them may be refunded at or  
11 before their maturity by the issuance of refunding revenue bonds of the  
12 university if in the opinion of the board refunding is advantageous to and  
13 in the best interests of the university and its students.

14 (b) The issuance of refunding bonds need not be authorized by an Act  
15 of the legislature, and the board is authorized and directed to adopt the  
16 resolution or resolutions and prepare all other documents and proceedings  
17 necessary for the issuance, exchange or sale, and delivery of such bonds.  
18 All provisions of this Act applicable to revenue bonds are applicable to the  
19 refunding bonds and to the issuance, sale or exchange of them, except as  
20 otherwise provided in this section.

21 (c) Refunding bonds may be issued in a principal amount sufficient  
22 to provide funds for the payment of all bonds to be refunded by them, and  
23 in addition, for the payment of all expenses incident to the calling,  
24 retiring or paying of the outstanding bonds, and the issuance of the  
25 refunding bonds. These expenses include the difference in amount between  
26 the par value of the refunding bonds and any amount less than par for  
27 which the refunding bonds are sold, the amount necessary to be made avail-  
28 able for the payment of interest upon the refunding bonds from the date of  
29 sale of them to the date of payment of the bonds to be refunded or to the

1 date upon which the bonds to be refunded will be paid pursuant to the call  
2 of them or agreement with the holders of them, and the premium, if any,  
3 necessary to be paid in order to call or retire the outstanding bonds and  
4 the interest accruing on them to the date of the call or retirement.

5 \* Sec. 8. The bonds are legal investments for all banks, trust com-  
6 panies, savings banks, savings and loan associations and other persons  
7 carrying on a banking business, all insurance companies and other persons  
8 carrying on an insurance business, and all executors, administrators,  
9 trustees and other fiduciaries. The bonds may be accepted as security for  
10 deposits of all funds of the state and its political subdivisions.

11 \* Sec. 9. All bonds are hereby declared to be issued for an essential  
12 public purpose, and the bonds, and the interest on them and the income  
13 from them shall at all times be exempt from taxation by or under authority  
14 of the state or its political subdivisions.

15 \* Sec. 10. The state pledges to and covenants and agrees with the  
16 holders of bonds that the state will not limit or alter the rights vested  
17 in the university or the board by this Act to fulfill the terms of agree-  
18 ments made with the holders of the bonds and will not in any way impair  
19 the rights or remedies of the holders, and will not modify in any way the  
20 exemptions from taxation provided for in this Act, until the bonds,  
21 together with interest on them and all costs and expenses in connection  
22 with any action or proceeding by or on behalf of such holders, are fully  
23 met and discharged.

24 \* Sec. 11. A pledge made in respect of the bonds under this Act shall  
25 be valid and binding from the time the pledge is made. The money or pro-  
26 perty so pledged and thereafter received by the authority shall immediately  
27 be subject to the lien of the pledge without any physical delivery or  
28 further act and the lien of the pledge is valid and binding as against  
29 all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract or otherwise

1 against the university irrespective of whether such parties have notice of  
2 the claim. No resolution, trust indenture, trust agreement or any other  
3 instrument by which a pledge is created need be recorded, or filed under  
4 the uniform commercial code.

5 \* Sec. 12. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires

6 (1) "board" means the Board of Regents of the university;

7 (2) "bonds" means the university revenue bonds authorized by  
8 sec. 3 of this Act;

9 (3) "costs" means the costs of acquiring, constructing and  
10 equipping the improvements, including, without limitation, interest on the  
11 bonds before and during such construction and during such period of time  
12 after construction as the board determines, and such reserves to secure  
13 the bonds as the board determines;

14 (4) "improvements" means the campus student center at Anchorage,  
15 constituting one or more buildings or other facilities for campus activi-  
16 ties, including real property or interest in real property necessary in  
17 connection with the improvements, as may be determined by the board, and  
18 acquired, constructed and equipped out of the proceeds of the sale of the  
19 bonds as authorized by sec. 2 of this Act;

20 (5) "revenue fund" means the "Anchorage Campus Student Center  
21 Revenue Fund" created by sec. 1 of this Act;

22 (6) "student fees" means all fees charged students by the  
23 university at Anchorage, Alaska, not including tuition charged out-of-state  
24 students or dormitory rentals and also not including any revenues, fees,  
25 charges and rentals derived by the university from the ownership, lease,  
26 use or operation of the housing system, as the term is defined in ch. 56,  
27 SLA 1961, as amended and supplemented, which, in the opinion of the board,  
28 are not pledged or may hereafter be pledged to the holders of revenue bonds  
29 of the university now or hereafter issued pursuant to ch. 56, SLA 1961, as

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amended and supplemented, under existing contracts or agreements with the holders or purchasers of such revenue bonds;

(7) "university" means the University of Alaska.

\* Sec. 13. This Act shall be liberally construed in order to carry out the purposes for which it was adopted, and all existing laws in conflict with any of the provisions of this Act are superseded insofar as necessary to accomplish the purposes of and carry out the provisions of this Act.

\* Sec. 14. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without approval.