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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 502

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for the issuance of general obliga-
7 tion bonds in the amount of \$40,000,000 for the purpose
8 of making capital improvements to the state ferry
9 system; and providing for an effective date."

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

11 * Section 1. For the purpose of paying the cost of making capital im-
12 provements to the state ferry system, general obligation bonds of the state
13 in the principal amount of not more than \$40,000,000 shall be issued and
14 sold. The full faith, credit and resources of the state are pledged to the
15 payment of the principal of and interest and redemption premium, if any, on
16 these bonds. These bonds shall be issued under the provisions of AS 37.15 as
17 those provisions read at the time of issuance.

18 * Sec. 2. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
19 voters of the state, a special fund of the state to be known as the "1976
20 Ferry Construction Fund" shall be established, to which shall be credited the
21 proceeds of the sale of the bonds described in sec. 1 of this Act except for
22 the accrued interest and premiums. There is appropriated from the "1976
23 Ferry Construction Fund" to the Department of Public Works, division of
24 marine transportation, the amount of \$40,000,000. The proceeds of these
25 bonds shall be limited to the following projects and estimates:

26 (1) \$30,000,000 - designing, acquiring, constructing and equipping
27 a United States Coast Guard ocean-going certified ferry vessel, at least 450
28 feet in length, to be used in a cross-Gulf of Alaska intertie route between
29 the Southcentral and Southeast ferry routes;

1 (2) \$5,000,000 - lengthening the M/V BARTLETT from 191 feet to
2 235 feet;

3 (3) \$5,000,000 - docking and terminal facilities to accommodate
4 a ferry vessel or vessels to be used in a cross-Gulf of Alaska intertie route
5 and to ensure compatibility with the existing ferry vessels serving the
6 Southcentral ferry routes to be apportioned as follows:

- 7 (A) \$1,000,000 - Seward
- 8 (B) \$1,000,000 - Cordova
- 9 (C) \$1,000,000 - Valdez
- 10 (D) \$2,000,000 - Yakutat

11 * Sec. 3. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
12 voters of the state, the amount of \$140,000 or as much of that amount as is
13 found necessary is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the
14 state bond committee to carry out the provisions of this Act and to pay
15 expenses incident to the sale and issuance of the bonds authorized in this
16 Act. The amounts expended from the appropriation authorized by this section
17 shall be reimbursed to the general fund from the proceeds of the sale of the
18 bonds authorized by this Act.

19 * Sec. 4. The question whether the bonds authorized in this Act are to be
20 issued shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the state at the next
21 general election and shall read substantially as follows:

22 Proposition

23 State General Obligation 1976 Ferry Construction
24 Bonds \$40,000,000

25 Shall the State of Alaska issue its general obligation bonds
26 in the principal amount of not more than \$40,000,000 for the
27 purpose of paying the cost of making capital improvements
28 to the state ferry system?

29 Bonds Yes []

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* Sec. 5. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10-070(c).

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