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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 623

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND 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 \$120,000,000 for the pur-
8 pose of paying the cost of construction of an extension
9 of the Alaska Railroad; and providing for an effective
10 date."

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

12 * Section 1. For the purpose of paying the cost of construction of an
13 extension of the Alaska Railroad between Eielson Air Force Base and the
14 Johnson River southeast of Delta Junction, general obligation bonds of the
15 state in the principal amount of not more than \$120,000,000 shall be issued
16 and sold. The full faith, credit and resources of the state are pledged to
17 the payment of the principal of and interest and redemption premium, if any,
18 on these bonds. These bonds shall be issued under the provisions of AS 37.15
19 as those provisions read at the time of issuance.

20 * Sec. 2. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
21 voters of the state, a special fund of the state to be known as the "Alaska
22 Railroad Extension Construction Fund" shall be established, to which shall be
23 credited the proceeds of the sale of the bonds described in sec. 1 of this
24 Act except for the accrued interest and premiums. The amount of \$120,000,000
25 is appropriated from the "Alaska Railroad Extension Construction Fund" to the
26 Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to be used for the purpose
27 described in sec. 1 of this Act.

28 * Sec. 3. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
29 voters of the state, the amount of \$420,000 or as much of that amount as is

1 found necessary is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the
2 state bond committee to carry out the provisions of this Act and to pay
3 expenses incident to the sale and issuance of the bonds authorized in this
4 Act. The amounts expended from the appropriation authorized by this section
5 shall be reimbursed to the general fund from the proceeds of the sale of the
6 bonds authorized by this Act.

7 * Sec. 4. The amount withdrawn from the public facility planning fund for
8 the purpose of advance planning for the improvements financed under this Act
9 shall be reimbursed to the fund from the proceeds of the sale of bonds autho-
10 rized by this Act.

11 * Sec. 5. The question whether the bonds authorized in this Act are to be
12 issued shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the state at the next
13 general election and shall read substantially as follows:

14 Proposition

15 State General Obligation Alaska Railroad Extension

16 Construction Bonds \$120,000,000

17 Shall the State of Alaska issue its general obligation bonds
18 in the principal amount of not more than \$120,000,000
19 for the purpose of paying the cost of construction of an
20 extension of the Alaska Railroad between Eielson Air Force
21 Base and the Johnson River?

22 Bonds Yes []

23 Bonds No []

24 * Sec. 6. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-
25 070(c).