

HOUSE BILL NO. 20

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE MENARD

Introduced: 1/11/93

Referred: Community & Regional Affairs, Labor & Commerce, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to the electrical service extension fund."

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

3 * Section 1. AS 44.83.370(b) is amended to read:

4 (b) The directors of the authority, on the advice of the executive director,
5 may make grants from the electrical service extension fund to certificated electric
6 utilities and to electric utilities exempt from certification under AS 42.05.711, as a first
7 priority, to pay for costs of site preparation and construction for the extension of
8 electrical service to private residences and small businesses not currently served by an
9 electric utility and, as a second priority, for making improvements to existing utilities.
10 The authority shall, by regulation, establish application periods for grants. In
11 awarding grants, the authority may not consider an application received before
12 the beginning of an application period or after the conclusion of the period. The
13 executive director shall rank the applications for grants on the basis of cost per
14 customer to whom service is extended. In making grant awards, the directors of

1 **the authority shall give priority to the projects that will extend service to existing**
2 **residences or small businesses at the lowest cost per new customer. The directors**
3 **shall state in writing the reason for their decision concerning each grant**
4 **application.** The amount of a grant made under this section may not exceed 60
5 percent of the total cost of construction of the project. The costs considered in making
6 a grant may not include costs of planning, feasibility studies, or design.