

HOUSE BILL NO. 156

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

Introduced: 2/15/93

Referred: Health, Education & Social Services, Judiciary, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to the use of money in the Alaska debt retirement fund;
2 changing the name of the Alaska debt retirement fund to the Alaska public
3 schools and public facilities fund; and providing for an effective date."

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

5 * **Section 1.** AS 37.15.011 is repealed and reenacted to read:

6 **Sec. 37.15.011. ALASKA PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND PUBLIC FACILITIES**
7 **FUND.** (a) The Alaska public schools and public facilities fund is established as a
8 separate fund in the general fund. The fund consists of all money appropriated to it.

9 (b) The Alaska public schools and public facilities fund shall be invested by
10 the Department of Revenue so as to yield competitive market rates, as provided in
11 AS 37.10.071. Money in the fund may be appropriated

12 (1) to finance the design, construction, and maintenance of capital
13 projects;

14 (2) for the purposes set out in AS 37.15.012;

1 (3) to reimburse municipalities for obligations authorized under
2 AS 14.11.100; and

3 (4) to finance the acquisition of state facilities through lease-purchase
4 agreements.

5 * Sec. 2. AS 37.15.012 is amended to read:

6 Sec. 37.15.012. CONTINUING DEBT SERVICE APPROPRIATION. The
7 amounts required annually to pay the principal, interest, and redemption premium on
8 all issued and outstanding general obligation bonds of the state are appropriated each
9 fiscal year from the Alaska public schools and public facilities [DEBT
10 RETIREMENT] fund to the state bond committee to make all required payments of
11 principal, interest, and redemption premium. If the balance of the Alaska public
12 schools and public facilities [DEBT RETIREMENT] fund is insufficient to fully pay
13 these amounts, the necessary additional amounts are appropriated from the general
14 fund to the state bond committee to make all required payments of principal, interest,
15 and redemption premium.

16 * Sec. 3. AS 37.15.015(a) is amended to read:

17 (a) Before a general or special election in which a bond issue is offered for
18 ratification, the state bond committee shall publish a notice of existing state bonded
19 indebtedness at least once a week for three consecutive weeks in a newspaper of
20 general circulation in each of the four judicial districts of the state. The first notice
21 shall be published at least 20 days before the date of the election. A notice must
22 contain

23 (1) the current total bonded indebtedness of the state;

24 (2) the cost of the debt service on the current indebtedness;

25 (3) the projected amount of state general obligation debt principal that
26 could be issued and paid for from the Alaska public schools and public facilities
27 [DEBT RETIREMENT] fund;

28 (4) the estimated debt service requirements for the bond issue offered
29 for ratification; and

30 (5) whether the bond issue offered for ratification will be repaid with
31 amounts from the Alaska public schools and public facilities [DEBT RETIREMENT]

1 fund.

2 * Sec. 4. AS 37.15.170(c) is amended to read:

3 (c) Before December 1 of each year, the state bond committee shall report to
4 the governor and the legislature the current fund balance in the Alaska public schools
5 and public facilities [DEBT RETIREMENT] fund. The report must contain an
6 estimate of the amount of state general obligation debt principal that could be issued
7 and paid for from the fund.

8 * Sec. 5. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).