

STATE
of ALASKA

MEMORANDUM

TO: J. M. Kerttula, Chairman
Senate Commerce Committee &
Bill Ray, Chairman
Senate Finance Committee

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FROM: Walter B. Parker *WBP*
Commissioner
Department of Highways

SUBJECT: SB 331

We are quite concerned about SB 331 and its effective elimination of appraisals by in-house appraisers. Specifically, the phrase on line 7 and 8 of page 3, as follows: "Except those employees who are engaged in appraising for public acquisition" should be eliminated from the bill in order that public acquisition of property by the State, and in particular the Department of Highways, is not impeded. We feel that this is a special interest requirement which would effectively require us to use fee appraisers for all parcels to be acquired.

I would appreciate your efforts in attempting to eliminate this particular phrase from the bill.