

COMMITTEE REPORT

SENATE

4/25/75

Mr. President:

Date _____

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under consideration. A Majority of the members of the Committee

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- recommends it DO PASS WITH ATTACHED AMENDMENT(S)
- recommends it BE REPLACED WITH CS FOR _____ AND THAT
CS FOR _____ DO PASS
- "and" recommends it BE REFERRED TO THE _____
COMMITTEE
- reports it back WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION
- "other"

Members signing the Majority report:

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Hoburn _____
Genie Chance _____
Brad Bradley _____
Calletta _____

Members NOT concurring in the Majority report:

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George Hoburn Chairman

Original sponsor: Bradley, Miller,
Croft, et al

Offered: 4/25/75
Referred: Finance

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

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Offered: 4/7/75
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BY BRADLEY, MILLER,
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26 * Sec. 2. The Office on Aging, including its coordinator and staff, is
27 transferred from the Department of Health and Social Services to the Office
28 of the Governor.
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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

NINTH.. Legislature FIRST.. Session

SENATE BILL..... NO. 196....

By BRADLEY.. MILLER.. CROFT,.....
KERTTULA, WILLIS, RODEY, CHANCE,
MELAND ORSINI, HOHMAN, COLLETTA
AND ZIEGLER

"An Act creating the Commission
on Aging."

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Introduced in the Senate .2/20..., 19..75

HISTORY IN THE SENATE

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE

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Received from House

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Sent to Governor

..... By Governor

Filed with Lt. Governor

Chapter No.

I. REQUEST

Bill No. CS for Sponsor Substitute for Senate Bill #196
 Title: An Act creating the Commission on Aging to replace the Office on Aging
 Requested by: Commissioner/Dept. HCSS Date: May 1, 1975
 Return Date Requested: _____
 Agency: Office on Aging Program: Aging

II. FISCAL DETAIL

Budget Request Unit(s) Affected: _____
 A. EXPENDITURES: (Thousands of dollars)

| OBJECT | FY 75 | FY 76 | FY 77 | FY 78 | FY 79 | FY 80 |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 100 PERSONAL SERVICES | | 3.1 | | | | |
| 200 TRAVEL | | 4.0 | | | | |
| 300 CONTRACTUAL | | -0- | | | | |
| 400 COMMODITIES | | -0- | | | | |
| 500 EQUIPMENT | | -0- | | | | |
| 600 LAND & STRUCTURES | | | | | | |
| 700 GRANTS, CLAIMS, ETC. | | -0- | | | | |
| TOTAL | | 7.1 | | | | |

B. FUNDING: (Thousands of dollars)

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| GENERAL FUND | | 7.1 | | | | |
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C. POSITIONS:

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III. ANALYSIS (See Fiscal Note Preparation Instructions, Section III)

This Fiscal Note is based on the following assumptions:

- Office of the Commission on Aging is based in Juneau.
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- Same staff as is now in Office on Aging.
- Add on one GACA meeting that was deleted from FY '76 Office on Aging Budget Request.

IV. ATTACHMENTS

V. DATE: May 1, 1975

PREPARED BY: Dorothy Walt

Dorothy Walt, Accountant
 for: M. D. Plotnick, Coordinator
 Office on Aging

Original: Legislative Finance
 cc: Budget and Management
 Prime Sponsor (First Legislator Named)

MEMORANDUM

TO: [M.D. "Dan" Plotnick
Director
Office of Aging

DATE : December 12, 1975

FROM: David W. Freer
Special Assistant

SUBJECT: Fiscal notes

Attached is a fiscal note submitted for CSSSSB 196, which was referred to the Senate Finance Committee during the last legislative session.

Please review this information for accuracy, revise figures to reflect current costs, and add any pertinent data necessary.

I need this information not later than December 22, 1975.

Thanks.

DWF:cs

MEMORANDUM



TO: David Freer, Special Assistant
Department of Health & Social Services

DATE : December 17, 1975

FROM: Dorothy Walt, Accountant *DW*
For: M. D. Plotnick, Coordinator
Office on Aging

SUBJECT: Fiscal Notes on CS For Sponsor
Substitute for Senate Bill #196

Attached is an updated Fiscal Note to reflect current costs and additional pertinent data. The funding was moved from FY 76 to FY 77, however, no provisions were made for any increases in salaries or other components due to inflation. Also, the Fiscal Note is the minimum amount of funds needed for a minimum staff.

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Attachment

The Legislature of the State of Alaska

FISCAL NOTE

First Session - Ninth Legislature

I. REQUEST

Bill No. CS for Sponsor Substitute for Senate Bill #196
 Title: An Act Creating the Commission on Aging to replace the Office on Aging
 Requested by: Commissioner/Dept. H & S Date: December 17, 1975
 Return Date Requested: December 22, 1975
 Agency: Office on Aging Program: Aging

II. FISCAL DETAIL

Budget Request Unit(s) Affected: _____

A. EXPENDITURES: (Thousands of dollars)

| OBJECT | FY 75 | FY 76 | FY 77 | FY 78 | FY 79 | FY 80 |
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| 100 PERSONAL SERVICES | | | 41.1 | | | |
| 200 TRAVEL | | | 6.7 | | | |
| 300 CONTRACTUAL | | | 2.2 | | | |
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| 500 EQUIPMENT | | | .5 | | | |
| 600 LAND & STRUCTURES | | | | | | |
| 700 GRANTS, CLAIMS, ETC. | | | | | | |
| TOTAL | | | 51.1 | | | |

B. FUNDING: (Thousands of dollars)

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| GENERAL FUND | | | 51.1 | | | |
| FEDERAL FUNDS | | | 0 | | | |
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C. POSITIONS:

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- Deputy Director is added at range 22C @ \$2,615 per month plus 21% Benefits. Travel of \$2.0 for National and Regional Meetings, \$2.2 for increase in rent, communications and miscellaneous contractual expenditures, \$0.6 for increase in commodities and \$0.5 for new equipment.
- Same staff as is now in Office on Aging.
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IV. ATTACHMENTS

V. DATE: December 17, 1975

PREPARED BY: Dorothy Walt

Dorothy Walt, Accountant

For: M. D. Plotnick, Coordinator
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Original: Legislative Finance
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2 SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 196

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act creating the Commission on Aging; and trans-
7 ferring the Office on Aging to the Office of the
8 Governor."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 47 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

11 CHAPTER 65. COMMISSION ON AGING.

12 Sec. 47.65.010. COMMISSION ON AGING. There is established within
13 the Office of the Governor the Commission on Aging to replace the
14 governor's Advisory Committee on Aging.

15 Sec. 47.65.020. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMISSION, TERM OF OFFICE, CHAIR-
16 PERSON. (a) The commission consists of 11 members.

17 (b) Nine members are appointed by the governor and serve at the
18 pleasure of the governor. At least six shall be actual consumers of
19 services under this chapter, including low-income and minority persons
20 at least in proportion to the number of low-income and minority older
21 persons in the state. The remaining three shall be broadly representa-
22 tive of the major public and private agencies and organizations in the
23 state who are experienced in or have demonstrated particular interest in
24 the special needs of the aging. These members serve staggered terms of
25 three years or until their successors are appointed, except that a
26 member appointed to an unexpired term serves the duration of that term.
27 On the first board three members serve one-year terms, three members
28 serve two-year terms, and three members serve three-year terms.

29 (c) The two remaining members are the chairpersons of the senate

1 tion, employment, health, welfare, and recreation;

2 (3) administer federal programs relating to the aging re-
3 quiring state action which are not specifically entrusted to another
4 state agency;

5 (4) implement new programs and changes in existing programs
6 for the benefit of the aging in the state;

7 (5) assist private organizations serving the aging;

8 (6) conduct hearings and studies for public input on the
9 problems facing the aging and the means to best serve their needs;

10 (7) conduct training seminars for persons working with the
11 aging;

12 (8) help aging Alaskans lead dignified, independent, and
13 useful lives, and provide special aid to aging persons with low incomes,
14 members of minority groups, and those who are physically or mentally
15 handicapped.

16 (b) The commission may aid cities and boroughs by assisting in
17 establishing local commissions to deal with the problems of the aging,
18 provided that the respective cities and boroughs contribute equal funds
19 for the establishment of the local commissions.

20 (c) The commission has no powers or duties with respect to the
21 Pioneer Homes and the longevity bonus programs.

22 Sec. 47.65.070. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter unless the context
23 indicates otherwise

24 (1) "commission" means the Commission on Aging; and

25 (2) "director" means the director of the Commission on Aging.

26 * Sec. 2. The Office on Aging, including its coordinator and staff, is
27 transferred from the Department of Health and Social Services to the Office
28 of the Governor.

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May 19, 1975

Mr. Hans Walderhang, President
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Dear Mr. Walderhang:

Replying to the question in your recent letter,
I do not want to destroy the concepts of the
original Pioneer Homes.

Senate Bill 196 is currently being reviewed by
the Finance Committee, and we have received
many adverse comments from senior citizens about
the proposed legislation. You may be assured
your opposition to this measure will be given
every consideration.

Sincerely,

Bill Ray
Chairman
Senate Finance Committee

ANSWER AND FILE WITH BNU

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THE PIONEERS OF ALASKA IGLOO #22 SITKA, ALASKA, WISH TO PROTEST S B 196.
IT IS OUR COLLECTIVE THOUGHTS THAT THIS BILL WILL COMPLETELY DESTROY
THE CONCEPT OF THE PIONEER HOMES.
THOSE OF YOU WHO MAY BECOME GUESTS OF ONE OF THE PIONEER HOMES IN THE
FUTURE SURELY WOULD NOT WANT YOUR HOME TO BECOME A GOVERNMENT CON-
TROLLED NURSING INSTITUTION, OVERRUN WITH NEW CITIZENS WHO HAVE YET TO
EARN THE PRIVILEGE OF BECOMING ALASKANS.
IT WOULD BE LESS COSTLY TO REPAY THE GOVERNMENT FOR THE MONIES SPENT
TO DATE, THAN PAY FOR THE COST OF THE MANY, MANY PIONEER HOMES THAT
WILL HAVE TO BE BUILT, IN THE FUTURE.
WE RESPECTFULLY ASK YOU TO CONSIDER JUST WHAT THE ORIGINAL PIONEER
HOME CONCEPTS WERE?
DO YOU IN ALL HONESTY WANT TO DESTROY THIS?

Hans Walden
PRESIDENT.

Max W. Newman
VICE PRES.