

COMMITTEE REPORT

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SENATE

Mr. President:

Date 2/12/57

The Committee on FINANCE has had SR 27

~~(transportation allowance for legislators)~~  
under consideration. A Majority of the members of the Committee

- recommends it DO PASS
- recommends it DO NOT PASS
- 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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Members NOT concurring in the Majority report:

\_\_\_\_\_ recommends:

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[Signature] Chairman


# MEMORANDUM

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DATE: Feb. 19, 1975

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SUBJECT: Fiscal Information  
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Original sponsor: Rules Committee by  
request of the Legislative Council

Offered: 5/20/75  
Referred: Rules

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BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

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CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 27

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

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\* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-

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