

HB

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March 1, 1977

TO: LISA  
FROM: JUDITH

RE: HB 213 - HOUSING ASSISTANCE OFFICE

Mr. Riggs, the Director of the Alaska State Housing Authority, returned my call on March 1, 1977. He is interested in HB 213 and would like some clarification as to the intent of the legislation. Mr. Riggs said that ASHA is working with the regional housing authorities to get them to take more responsibility for the management of their programs in the rural area. If the creation of a Housing Assistance Office in Community and Regional Affairs would primarily be a coordinating and assistance agency for the regionals, dealing with the problems of rural housing, then his agency is very much in favor of HB 213. Mr. Riggs does not oppose the bill if in fact the intent is to create a more general Housing Assistance Office; however, he would like more time to consider the legislation if the intent of the bill is to include administration of both urban and rural housing authorities.

I informed Mr. Riggs that his comments would be communicated to you and possible made available to the committee members. He requested that I keep him informed which I assured him that I would do.