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COMMITTEE REPORT
SENATE

1/11/78

FURTHER: FINANCE

Date: _____

Mr. President:

The Committee on RESOURCES has had SB 399
supplemental appropriation to Dept. of Fish & Game

under consideration and (a majority of the committee) (the committee reports it back as follows)

- 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 _____ new title same title

- AND attaches a Letter of Intent New Fiscal Note
- reports it back without recommendation
- and recommends it be referred to the _____ Committee

MEMBERS SIGNING DO PASS:

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

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Chairman

AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE SENATE:

BY: Wm. C. C. [unclear]

To: _____ SENATE BILL No. 724

HOUSE BILL No. _____

PAGE: 7

LINE: 60

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SUMMARY - CS FOR SENATE BILL 399

"AN ACT MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME, (d)(2) TRAVEL, AND SALMON TRANSPORTATION."

SECTION (1) OF THE BILL APPROPRIATES \$41,800 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME TO COVER EXPENSES RELATING TO (d)(2) PROPOSALS WHICH WERE NOT INCLUDED IN THE FY 78 BUDGET.

THE FUNDS HAVE BEEN AND WILL BE USED FOR:

- (1) PRESENTING THE STATE'S (d)(2) POSITION
- (2) PREPARING MAPS, BOOKLETS, OVERLAYS, ETC.
- (3) ASSISTING THE CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION
- (4) ANALYZING (d)(2) LEGISLATION
- (5) PUBLIC INFORMATION
- (6) TRAVEL

SECTION (2) APPROPRIATES \$68,700 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME FOR EXPENSES INCURRED IN AN EMERGENCY FISH LIFT ON THE RUSSIAN RIVER LAST SUMMER. THE LIFT WAS NECESSARY BECAUSE OF UNUSUALLY HIGH RAINFALL WHICH PREVENTED SOCKEYE SALMON FROM PASSING THE FALLS TO THEIR SPAWNING GROUNDS. LIFTS OCCURRED DURING THE PERIOD OF JULY 7-19 & AUGUST 13-18. THE RUSSIAN RIVER SYSTEM ANNUALLY CONTRIBUTES AN ESTIMATED 30 PERCENT OF THE COMMERCIAL SOCKEYE HARVEST IN COOK INLET, AND CONTRIBUTES 8,000-12,000 FISH EACH YEAR TO THE SPORT FISHERY.

OF THE TOTAL APPROPRIATION, \$41,600 IS FROM THE GENERAL FUND WITH THE REMAINDER FROM OTHER FISH AND GAME FUNDS.

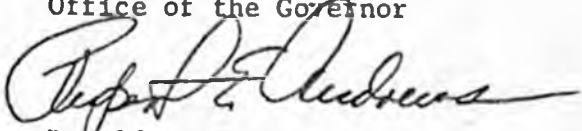

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MEMORANDUM

SB 399

TO: Ron Lind, Director
Division of Budget and Management
Office of the Governor

DATE : January 27, 1978

FROM: 
Ronald O. Skoog
Commissioner
 Department of Fish and Game

SUBJECT: FY'78 Supplemental, (d)(2)
Support Activities

The Department of Fish and Game, Division of Game, requests a supplemental in the amount of \$47,800. This supplemental covers projected expenses and expenses incurred to date in the Department's support of the State's (d)(2) position in Congress. This supplemental includes the \$11,000 already approved by the Governor on page 4 of the Executive budget document.

At the time that the Department's representative on (d)(2), Mr. Ron Somerville, was detailed to assist the Governor's Office in its efforts in Congress, it was agreed that the Department would assume most costs until June 30, 1977. After that date, the Department would pay only Mr. Somerville's salary and the additional support costs would be provided either by the Department of Natural Resources or the Office of the Governor. In FY 78, the Department has incurred total costs (excluding Mr. Somerville's salary) of \$36,845 through December 31, 1977. A detail sheet is attached. These costs have been charged to the headquarters investigations component (codes 11-41-2-403 and 410). All the costs were made under the assumption that they would be reimbursed. Unless this reimbursement takes place, the activities planned for FY 78 in the headquarters investigations component will need to be reduced drastically.

Mr. Somerville has been working closely with Commissioner LeResche in his support of the State's (d)(2) position. By copy hereof, Commissioner LeResche is requested to support this supplemental request.

Attachment:

cc: Commissioner LeResche
Ron Sommerville
Bob Rausch
Jeff Morrison
John Stewart

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TO: Ron Lind
Director
Office of Budget & Management
Department of Administration

DATE: December 5, 1977

FILE NO:

TELEPHONE NO:

FROM: Ronald J. Somerville *RJS*
Alaska Department of
Fish and Game
Anchorage

SUBJECT: Supplemental - (d)(2)

Because of the time crunch expressed by Mr. Chuck Taylor, I am corresponding directly.

I believe my September 8, 1977 memo to Commissioner LeResche was routed to your office. At that point, I projected (d)(2) expenditures in my area of responsibility at:

F.Y. 1978 - \$94,593 and F.Y. 1979 - \$47,790

This excluded my salary which was apparently being picked up by my Department.

As I'm sure you are aware, my present position was established solely for the purpose of assisting in preparing, presenting and selling the State's (d)(2) position. Although I'm located in the Commissioner of Fish and Game's office, I am assigned to assist Commissioner LeResche in many aspects of the (d)(2) issue.

Initially, it was agreed that all expenses associated with my assignment would be carried by either the Department of Natural Resources or the Governor's office. From July 1, 1977 to November 30, 1977, my Department has paid and is still holding the following (d)(2) expenses:

Line Item

100 - Temporaries	\$15,703.64
200 - Travel and per diem	6,358.13
300 - Contractual services (photo processing, mapping, printing, etc.)	10,453.11
400 - Commodities	<u>4,708.15</u>
Total	\$37,223.03

Most of the above expenses were for:

1. Designing and printing of maps, summary booklets, overlays and visual support material.
2. Preparation of statewide resource maps for use at Congressional hearings and workshops.
3. Travel and per diem in-state and out-of-state primarily to provide technical staff support.

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4. Detailed staff analysis of legislative impacts.
5. Distribution of material to organizations and individuals.

If even the minimal effort we are putting forth on (d)(2) is to continue, we must be willing to finance it. I still believe my estimates of \$94,000 for F.Y. 1978 and \$48,000 for F.Y. 1979 are accurate. In analyzing my priorities and expenditures, however, I would alter some items.

In addition to the \$37,223.03 which should be AV'd to the Department of Fish and Game, we should obligate a minimum of the following amounts:

<u>Line Item</u>	<u>F.Y. 1978</u> <u>Dec. 1 - June 30</u>	<u>F.Y. 1979</u>
100 - Temporaries	\$23,000	\$25,000
200 - Travel & per diem	12,000	10,000
300 - Contractual services (Dropping request for office space)	12,000	10,000
400 - Commodities	<u>7,000</u>	<u>3,000</u>
Totals	\$54,000	\$48,000

These funds will be used for the following:

1. Presenting State's (d)(2) position.
2. Assisting Congressional delegations with logistic and staff support.
3. Preparing maps, booklets, overlays and other material.
4. Maintaining liaison with and providing material for supportive organizations.
5. Legislative analysis (primarily in analysis of resource use impacts and proposal comparisons).
6. Assisting in Congressional workshops.
7. Preparation of alternatives with supporting information.
8. Coordinating Departmental input.
9. Keeping the public informed on progress of (d)(2) legislation.

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10. Soliciting support for State's position.
11. Illustrating and justifyi. overnor's Cooperative Management
concept.

I hope the above material is satisfactory. If you need additional justification, please let me know.

cc: Commissioner Skoog
Commissioner LeResche

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MEMORANDUM

TO: [Ron Lind, Director
Division of Budget and Management
Office of the Governor

DATE: December 6, 1977

FILE NO:

TELEPHONE NO:

FROM: *for* Ronald O. Skoog
Commissioner
Department of Fish and Game

SUBJECT: FY'78 Supplemental Request,
Russian River Fish Lift

The Department of Fish and Game is requesting a total supplemental appropriation of \$68,700 to pay for unexpected expenses incurred with the transportation of spawning red salmon up the Russian River. Since both sport fishermen and commercial fishermen will benefit from the action taken, the supplemental request would provide funding for both the Divisions of Sport Fish and Commercial Fish. The Division of Commercial Fish projected deficit without the supplemental is \$41,600 in General Funds. The Division of Sport Fish projected deficit without the supplemental is \$27,100 in Fish and Game Funds.

The Russian River fish lift was necessitated by the inability of the spawning red salmon to negotiate the Russian River falls. Heavy rains and run-off in the Russian River watershed this summer resulted in very high water runoff over the Russian River falls. The volume and velocity of water at the falls was such that the migrating red salmon were unable to negotiate the falls as they are able to do during a normal year. Since the spawning and rearing area for most of the red salmon in the Russian River system is above the falls, the Department felt that it was mandatory to provide whatever assistance was necessary to enable the fish to negotiate the falls successfully. This particular situation occurred twice this year as the Russian River system has both an early and a late Sockeye run.

The Russian River system annually contributes an estimated 30 percent of the commercial Sockeye harvest in Cook Inlet and 8000 to 12,000 fish to the sport fishery. This fish lift during the early run occurred from July 7 through July 19 and resulted in the helicopter transportation of 8,477 fish from below to above the falls. The second run of Russian River fish occurred about one month after the first run. From the period of August 13 through August 18, the Department lifted 7,436 fish above the Russian River. For purposes of administrative convenience the Division of Sport Fish was charged with the expenses of the first fish lift and the Division of Commercial Fish was charged with the expenses of the second fish lift. All of the activity undertaken in the fish lift was necessary in order to preserve the biological and economic viability of the Russian River Sockeye Salmon.

Failure to approve the supplemental request will seriously impact both the Division of Commercial Fish and Sport Fish. It will be necessary to make program reductions in the amount of the supplementals in both these Divisions. In Sport Fish the program reductions will eliminate all of

the restoration efforts planned by the Division of Sport Fish during FY'78. Even though actual expenditures in the Sport Fish restoration component were relatively minimal during FY'76 and FY'77 as a result of the draw down on the Fish and Game Fund and a general shortage of toxicant, the plans for FY'78 included the following:

- 1) purchase of toxicant for use in lake rehabilitation work on five selected waters.
- 2) implementation of the postponed recreational fishery lake management programs requiring needed maintenance on five lake water control structures, lake rehabilitation and supplemental studies to provide the required evaluation.
- 3) the implementation of toxicant rehabilitation on five lakes.
- 4) expansion and development of additional egg take sites.

These plans will need to be terminated if the supplemental is not approved.

In the Commercial Fisheries Division the Cook Inlet Management Budget will be forced to reduce considerable effort in gathering and assessing the information for proper management of the fisheries in this area. The significant cutbacks will greatly decrease the information base upon which to make management decisions. As the risk of management error increases an economic impact could occur if the management decisions result in underharvest of any particular fishery resource in Cook Inlet. Similarly, an overharvest undetected by the Cook Inlet fishery managers until after the fact would decrease the number of fish required for reproduction. To supplement the funds needed in Cook Inlet from other areas of the existing Commercial Fisheries Division budget would only serve to shift the risk of management error to another priority fishery.

Attached is a copy of a report to the Board of Fisheries on the Russian River helicopter fish lift. In addition, a summary of expenditures of the Russian River fish lifts is also attached. Your favorable consideration of this supplemental request will be most appreciated.

cc: Carl Rosier, Director
Division of Commercial Fisheries

Rupe Andrews, Director
Division of Sport Fish

Jeff Morrison, Director
Division of Administration

DETAIL OF FISH AND GAME (d)(2) EXPENSES

7/1/77 - 12/31/77

	11-41-2-403	11-41-2-410
Personal Services	-0-	\$17,037
Travel & Per Diem	\$2,574	\$ 4,332
Contractual Services (Photo processing, mapping, printing, etc.)	-0-	\$ 8,147
Commodities	-0-	\$ 4,755
TOTAL	<u>\$2,574</u>	<u>\$34,271</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$36,845	

All Charges in code 11-41-2-403 will be AV'd to code 410. Specific items prepared in support of the State's (d)(2) position include 1) summary booklet on (d)(2) lands and S.1787 (Senator Steven's bill); 2) printing of 8½ X 11 color maps depicting the effect of S.1787; 3) photocopying expenses for numerous copies of HR39 and other back-up material; 4) 3 sets of 6 maps each (Series E) with approximately 200 mylar overlays for each set depicting resources on Alaskan lands (One set each for Somerville, Stevens, and Young). Most of the temporary time (estimated 80%) and commodities expenses were spent in the preparation of item 4. The remainder of the temporary time was spent on clerical and other miscellaneous duties. Travel expenses were primarily for the Department's representative, Mr. Somerville, to provide technical support in Washington, D. C. A few other trips were made in-state for the same purpose.

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An estimated \$11,000 in travel expenses will be needed from the present through FY'79. This travel will be for Mr. Somerville to continue to provide his technical support to the Congressional delegation in Washington, D. C. .



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DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
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Dr. Ronald Skoog, Commissioner
Alaska State Dept of Fish and Game
Subport Building
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Dr. Skoog:

I have been informed by Jim Frates, Refuge Manager of the Kenai National Moose Range, that ADF&G is proceeding with drawings and bid specifications for the Russian River fish bypass with the intent to issue bid invitations by January 17.

Jim advised members of your engineering staff in Anchorage that the EIA has not been completed. In addition we have not had the opportunity to develop a complete set of construction stipulations that should be a part of the information available to potential bidders.

We do consider it ill advised to solicit bids prior to the completion of the EIA and the issuance of a special use permit or the development of a cooperative agreement as may be appropriate.

We certainly appreciate the concern of ADF&G in trying to get this project into the construction stage, and we would hope that you can appreciate our position on this matter. We will certainly work with your staff to expedite the process, but this is just one of several matters, all of which seem to demand immediate attention. I bring this to your attention in an attempt to avoid any misunderstanding as to our responsibilities and our actions on this issue.

Sincerely yours,

Gordon W. Watson
Area Director

cc: Jerry Gilliland
Bob Palmer
Kenai NMR

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