

HB

417

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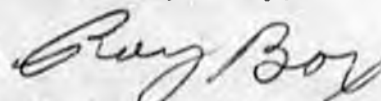
Rep. Parker, Chairman
Community & Regional Affairs
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Re: House Bill 417

Dear Rep. Parker:

I'd like to make a suggestion concerning an amendment on H.B. 417, relating to state shared revenues for support of medical and dental services in rural areas etc. A better title for the bill might be "Relating to An Act Relating to State Shared Revenues for the Support of Health Care Services in Rural Areas." The reason for this suggested title change is that many health care services are provided by practitioners other than physicians and dentists. My profession is a prime example of this and if this bill were enacted with the present language it would deprive citizens in these areas of the services of an optometrist. I'd also like to suggest that on page 2, line 16, define health care provider as a person licensed to provide health care in the state of Alaska. This would also allow doctors of optometry and other licensed health care practitioners to provide services under this legislation. If the writers of the legislation intended for just medical and dental services, then it would be my suggestion that these services be limited to conditions that are not treated by other health care providers. If this is the case, it would seem that the legislation is short sighted because one of the most common problems in remote areas of Alaska is the lack of adequate vision care services. The P.H.S. has put two optometrists on their staff in the past ten years to help alleviate this situation and an optometrist is now on the staff of the Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corp. also as an attempt to help alleviate this very serious problem. I would be interested in the progress of this bill and would appreciate it if you could give me a call at my office at 586-2501, if and when hearings are to be held. Thank you for your consideration.

Yours very truly,


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cc: Rep. Miller & Rep. Duncan

COMMUNITIES IN THE UNINCORPORATED BOROUGH

HOME RULE	FIRST CLASS	SECOND CLASS	UNINCORPORATED	POPULATION
1			ADAK	?
2			AGUIKCHUK	?
3		AKIACHAK		354
4		AKIAK		192
5		AKOLMIUT		608
6			AKULLIRAK	?
7			AKUTAN	68
8			ALAGANIK	?
9		ALAKANUK		533
10		ALEKNAGIK		227
11		ALLAKAKET		216
12		AMBLER		273
13			ANANDALE	?
14		ANDERSON VILLAGE		470
15		ANGDON		527
16		ANIAK		355
17			ANOGOK	?
18		ANVIK		102
19			ARCTIC VILLAGE	120
20			ATKA	90
21		ATMAUTLUAK		186
22			ATTU	?
23			BEAVER	85
24			BELKOFSKI	25
25		BETHEL		3,608 +++
26			BETTLES	84
27			BIG DELTA	?
28			BOUNDARY	?
29		BREVIK MISSION		194
30		BUCKLAND		176
31			CALDER	?
32			CANDLE	4
33			CANTWELL	150
34			CAPE FANSHAW	?
35			CAPE POLE	250
36			CAPE YAKATAGA	?
37			CARD	?
38			CENTRAL	20
39			CHALKYITSIK	92
40			CHANDALAR	?
41		CHEFORNAK		204
42			CHENEGA	?
43		CHEVAK		461
44			CHICHAGOF ISLAND	?
45			CHICKEN	?
46			CHIGNIK	68
47			CHIGNIK LAKE	68
48			CHISANA	?
49			CHISTOCHINA	180
50			CHITINA	84
51			CHOMLY	?
52			CHRISTIAN	?
53		CHUATHBALLIK		119
54			CIRCLE	76
55			CIRCLE HOT SPRINGS	10
56		CLARKS POINT		98
57			COLD BAY	128
58			COPPER CENTER	384
59	CORDOVA			2,780 +++
60			COUNCIL	15

62			CROOKED CREEK	125
63		DEERING		117
64		DELTA JUNCTION		892
65			DIAMOND	?
66	DILLINGHAM			1,360
67		DIOMEDE		125
68			DISHKAKAT	?
69			DOT LAKE	266
70			DUNBAR	?
71			DUTCH HARBOR	?
72		EAGLE		124
73			EDNA BAY	?
74		EEK		307
75			EGAVIK	?
76			EGEGIK	100
77			EKUK	18
78		EKWOK		111
79			ELFIN COVE	55
80		ELIM		288
81			EMANGUK	?
82		EMMONAK		556
83			EUREKA LODGE	?
84			EVANSVILLE	?
85			FALSE PASS	50
86			FAREWELL	?
87			FERRY	?
88			FLAT	61
89			FORT GLEN	?
90		FORT YUKON		637
91		FORTUNA LEDGE		210
92			FUNTER	?
93			GAKONA	85
94	GALENA			631
95		GAMBELL		447
96			GEORGETOWN	?
97			GLENNALLEN	494
98			GOLDEN	?
99		GOLOVIN		118
100		GOODNEWS BAY		248
101		GRAYLING		181
102			GULKANA	58
103			GUSTAVUS	70
104			HAWK INLET	?
105			HAYCOCK	?
106			HEALY	300
107			HERENDEEN BAY	?
108			HUG RIVER	?
109			HOLOGACHAKET	?
110		HOLY CROSS		302
111	HOONAH			1,093
112		HOOPER BAY		648
113		HUGHES		98
114		HUSLIA		216
115	HYDABURG			380
116			HYDER	55
117			IDITAROD	?
118			IGIAK	?
119			IGUIGIG	52
120			IGUSHIK	?
121			ILIAMNA	204
122			INGER	?
123			ITULILIK	?
124			IVANOF BAY	26
125			JACK WADE	?
126	KAKE			679

128			KALLA	?
129				218
130			KALSKAG (LOWER)	164
131			KALSKAG (UPPER)	257
132			KALTAG	?
133			KANATAK	?
134			KANTISHNA	?
135			KARHEEN	?
136			KASAAN	46
137			KASHEGELOK	?
138			KASHIAGAMIUT	?
139			KASKANAK	?
140			KATALLA	?
141			KIANA	331
142		KING COVE	KINEGAK	?
143				566
144			KIPNUK	387
145				227
146		KLAWOK	KIVALINA	323
147			KOBUK	176
148			KOGGIUNG	?
149			KOKRINES	?
150			KOLIGANEK	141
151			KONGIGANAK	193
152			KOTLIK	305
153			KOTZEBUE	2,526
154			KOYUK	160
155			KOYUKUK	124
156			KULIUK	?
157			KUPREANDF	42
158			KUSKOVAK	?
159			KVICHAK	?
160			KWETHLUK	444
161			KWIGAMIUT	?
162			KWIGILLINGOK	194
163			KWIKPAK	?
164			LATOCHE	?
165			LEVELOCK	98
166			LIME VILLAGE	45
167			LIVENGOOD	100
168			LONG	?
169			LOWER TONSINA	?
170			MANLEY HOT SPRINGS	74
171			MANDKOTAK	250
172			MCCARTHY	?
173			MCKINLEY PARK	382
174			MEAKERVILLE	100
175			MEDFRA	?
176			MEKORYUK	17
177			MENTASTA LAKE	186
178	*	METLAKATLA		152
179			MEYERS CHUCK	1,119
180			MILLER HOUSE	48
181			MILLERS CAMP	?
182			MINTO	?
183			MOUNTAIN VILLAGE	150
184				573
185			NABESNA	?
186			NABESNA VILLAGE	?
187			NAPAIMUIT	?
188			NAPAKIAK	307
189			NAPASKIAK	215
190			NATION	?
191			NELSON LAGOON	?
192		NENANA		?
			NEW ILIAMNA	503
				?

194		NEWHALEN		105	
195		NEWTOK		154	
196		NIGHTMUTE		135	
197		NIKOLAI		152	
198			NIKOLSKI	55	
199			NIZINA	?	
200			NOATAK	280	
201			NOGAMUT	?	
202	NOME			2,892	+++
203		NONDALTON		226	
204		NOORVIK		524	
205			NORTHEAST CAPE	?	
206			NORTHWAY	?	
207			NORTHWAY JUNCTION	?	
208			NUCHEK	?	
209		NULATO		382	
210			NUNCHUAK	?	
211			NUSHAGAK	?	
212			NYAC	?	
213			OLD RAMPART	?	
214			OPHIR	?	
215			PAVLOFF HARBOR	?	
216			PAXSON	391	
217			PEDRO BAY	38	
218	PELICAN			221	
219			PERRYVILLE	90	
220	PETERSBURG			3,197	+++
221			PIKMIKTALIK	?	
222			PILGRIM SPRINGS	?	
223			PILOT POINT	60	
224		PILOT STATION		301	
225			PITKAS POINT	88	
226		PLATINUM		58	
227			POORMAN	?	
228		PORT HEIDEN		89	
229			PORT MOLLER	51	
230			PORT NELLY	?	
231			PORT SAN JUAN	?	
232			PTARMIGAN	?	
233			PUGUVILLAK	?	
234		QUINHAGEK		451	
235			RAMPART	60	
236			RAMPART HOUSE	?	
237			RAPIDS	?	
238			RED DEVIL	47	
239			REINDEER STATION	?	
240		RUBY		219	
241		RUSSIAN MISSION		167	
242			SAINT GEORGE ISLAND	?	
243	SAINT MARYS			436	
244		SAINT MICHAEL		283	
245		SAINT PAUL ISLAND		522	
246			SALMON	?	
247			SANAK	?	
248	SAND POINT			773	
249		SAVOONGA		409	
250		SCANMON BAY		193	
251			SCOW BAY	?	
252		SELAWIK		554	
253			SERPENTINE HOT SPRINGS	?	
254		SHAGELUK		223	
255		SHAKTOOLIK		163	
256		SHELDON POINT		143	
257			SHEMYA	?	
258		SHISHMAREF		353	

260		SINUK	?
261	SKAGWAY		877
262		SIANA	?
263		SLEETMUTE	175
264		SOLOMON	?
265		SOURDOUGH	?
266		SQUAW HARBOR	20
267			326
268		STEBBINS	1,250
269		STERLING	80
270		STEVENS VILLAGE	70
271		STONE RIVER	?
272		STUYDOK	?
273		SUMDUM	?
274		SUNTRANA	100
275		TACHIKUGA	?
276		TAKOTNA	50
277		TANACROSS	128
278		TANALIAN POINT	?
279			499
280		TANANA	
281		TATITLEK	69
282		TAYLOR	?
283		TELLER	258
284		TENAKEE SPRINGS	134
285			
286		TETLIN	107
287		TETLIN JUNCTION	?
288		THORNE BAY	500
289			455
290		TOGIK	
291		TOK	735
292		TOKEEN	60
293		TOKLAT	?
294			336
295		TOKSOOK BAY	
296		TONGASS	?
297		TONSINA	?
298			231
299		TULUKSAK	221
300		TUNTUTULIAK	299
301	UNALASKA		
302		TWIN HILLS	82
303		TYEE	?
304	VALDEZ	UGASHIK	?
305			632
306		UNALAKLEET	619
307			
308		LINGA	?
309		UNIMAK ISLAND	?
310		USIBELLI	100
311			4,481 +++
312		VENETIE	130
313	WRANGELL	VENETIE LANDING	?
314	YAKUTAT		
		WALES	130
		WATERFALL	15
		WHITE MOUNTAIN	115
		WHITTIER	356
		WISEMAN	?
		WOODCHOPPER	?
			3,152 +++
			442

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Research Division

* ORGANIZED UNDER FEDERAL LAW
+++ POPULATION >= 2000 AND <= 7500
TOTAL POPULATION IN UNORGANIZED BOROUGH = 69,415
(1) OPERATIONS ON ALL COMMUNITIES IN UNORGANIZED BOROUGH

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