

SB

477

COMMITTEE REPORT

SENATE

FURTHER: Finance

2/18/80

Date: March 17, 1980

Mr. President:

The Committee on State Affairs has had SB 477
relating to shooting and firearm safety

under consideration and (a majority of the committee) (the committee)
reports it back with the following recommendations:

- do pass do not pass
- do pass with attached amendments(s)
- replace with CS for SI 477 same title
 new title
- and recommends DO PASS
- AND attaches a "Letter of Intent" New Fiscal Note
- reports it back without recommendation
- referred to the _____ Committee

MEMBERS SIGNING
DO PASS

PATRICK NEWBY
Tim Kelly
Shelley
Bob [unclear]

MEMBERS HAVING
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Bob [unclear]
CHAIRMAN

TO Bob

3-5 1980 HOUR 4:30

WHILE YOU WERE AWAY

Mr. Sam Rodey

TELEPHONE 3717

- CALLED TO SEE YOU
- TELEPHONED
- WILL CALL AGAIN
- PLEASE PHONE
- RETURNED YOUR CALL
- URGENT

REMARKS would like to
talk w/ you on the
scheduling of the Rifle
Range Bills J-58 / 477-479
 SIGNED SR

OPS 4002

MAIL ROOM

Try to testify at meeting
Get name & # from Mary or Memo

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Alaska State Legislature



SENATOR MIKE COLLETTA

SENATE MAJORITY LEADER

Senate

MEMORANDUM

MARCH 6, 1980

TO: SENATOR BOB MULCAHY, CHAIRMAN
SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

FROM: SENATOR MIKE COLLETTA *MC*

RE: SB 477 & SB 479 "Fire Arms Safety"

Mr. Ted Dixon of the Tanana Valley Sportsmen's Association would like to be notified when the above cited bills are scheduled for committee hearing as he would like to testify.

Mr. Dixon can be reached at the following address: 261 College Road, Fairbanks 99701. Phone 456-8742 (between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.).

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

cc: Ted Dixon

*Called 3/10/80
& notified of meeting
to be held 3/12/80*



Official Business

Alaska State Legislature

Senate

Committee on State Affairs

Pouch V
State Capitol
Juneau, Alaska 99811

March 11, 1980

SB 477 - An Act relating to shooting and firearm safety; and providing for an effective date.

BY: Senators Rodey and Bradley

This bill adds a new chapter to Title 16 (Fish and Game) entitled: CHAPTER 55 - SHOOTING AND FIREARM SAFETY. Duties of the department include coordinating activities relating to shooting and firearms, development of a hunting safety program, and establishing a program for the planning, construction and operation of public shooting ranges.

The bill outlines the powers of the department in respect to shooting and firearms. This includes technical assistance to municipalities, communities and organizations, and provides for the department to make grants available to them for the development and operation of public shooting ranges as well as operation of firearm safety programs.

The bill establishes an Advisory Committee on Hunting and Firearm Safety to advise the department in fulfilling its responsibilities under this chapter.

The grants to municipalities and organizations will be handled by the Division of Administration, within the department, following the recommendations made by the State Range Planning Committee and future recommendations to be made by the Advisory Committee on Hunting and Firearm Safety. The Advisory Committee will, in effect, replace the State Range Planning Committee.

All other aspects of the bill could be handled through the existing hunting safety program.

MEMORANDUM

State of Alaska

TO: Ron Somerville, Director
Division of Game, Juneau

DATE: November 20, 1979

Regional Supervisors, Div. of Game

FILE NO:

Members, State Range Planning Committee

TELEPHONE NO:

SUBJECT: Range Planning Meeting

FROM:

Jack Alexander
Hunter Safety Coordinator

Attached are the minutes and recommendations made during the November 14th meeting of the State Range Planning Committee.

The second meeting of the State Range Planning Committee was held November 14, at the Anchorage Fish and Game office. Those in attendance included Ted Dixon, Joe Nava, Bob Dickens, Paul Weller, George Lyons, Ray Brown, Sam McDowell, Ted Nelson, Virgil Umphenour and Jack Alexander.

The first order of business was to review and approve the minutes of the October 4 and 5 meeting. Additional old business was to make additions and minor changes to the list of ranges known to the members. Members making additional reports included Virgil Umphenour, Ted Dixon, Ray Brown. Jack Alexander and Paul Weller.

The remainder of the meeting was spent establishing recommendations for range acquisition, development and improvements. George Lyons suggested that recommendations be listed and considered by House districts. These recommendations are presented in Appendix B of the minutes.

The Committee established the date of December 20 for the next meeting, the purpose of which will be to determine cost and priorities for the recommended projects.

<u>House District Name</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Recommended Facilities</u>	<u>Est. Cost</u>
Ketchikan	1	Ketchikan	1. Expand number of firing points at present site. 2. Develop small-bore indoor range available to high schools. *3. Provide assistance to communities establishing designated shooting areas.	
		*Craig		
		*Hydaburg		
		*Klawock		
Wrangell-Petersburg	2	Petersburg	1. Assist in development of indoor smallbore range close to high school. 2. Upgrade existing city range. 1. Assist in development of indoor smallbore range. 2. Assist in upgrade existing outdoor facilities. *Provide community assistance in establishing designated outdoor shooting areas.	
		Wrangell		
		Kake		
Sitka	3	Sitka	1. Develop existing outdoor facilities. 2. Assist in funding an allweather smallbore and pistol range. * Provide community with assistance in establishing designated outdoor shooting area.	
		*Angoon		
Juneau	4	Juneau	1. Expand and improve existing outdoor range. 2. Improvements to Support Building indoor range.	
Haines-Skagway	5	Haines	1. Minor improvements to existing outdoor range. 2. Develop indoor facilities. 1. Minor improvements to existing range. 2. Develop indoor smallbore and pistol range. *Provide community with assistance in establishing designated outdoor shooting area.	
		Skagway		
		*Yakutat		
Valdez-Cordova	6	Valdez	No recommendations.	
		Cordova		

<u>House District Name</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Recommended Facilities</u>	<u>Est. Cost.</u>
Palmer-Talkeetna-Wasilla	7	Palmer-Wasilla	1.Acquire land in central area.	
		Palmer	1.Indoor smallbore range.	
		Wasilla	1.Indoor smallbore range.	
		*Talkeetna	* Provide community with assistance in establishing designated outdoor shooting area.	
Anchorage	8	Anchorage	1.Improvements and expansion of two existing outdoor ranges. 2.Centralized indoor smallbore and pistol range. 3.Completion of two existing indoor high school smallbore ranges.	
Seward	9	Seward	1.Provide community with assistance in establishing outdoor shooting area.	
Kenai-Soldotna	10	Soldotna	1.Expansion and improvements to existing outdoor range. 2.Smallbore indoor range at high school.	
		Homer	1.Expand and improvements to existing outdoor ranges.	
Kodiak	11	Kodiak	1.Acquire site and improvements to existing range. 2.Designated shooting areas adjacent to city. 3.Smallbore and pistol indoor range.	
		Port Lions	1 Designated shooting area.	
Aleutian Island	12	*All villages	*Designated shooting areas.	
Dillingham	13	Dillingham	1.Designated shooting area. 2.Indoor smallbore range.	
		Naknek	1.Designated shooting area.	

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Bethel	14	Bethel	1.Site acquisition and development. 2.Smallbore indoor range.	
McGrath-Galena-Tanana	15	*McGrath *Galena *Tanana	*Designated shooting areas	
Fairbanks	16	Fairbanks	1.Central facilities with high-power, smallbore and pistol outdoor and smallbore and pistol indoor. 2.Four designated shooting areas adjacent to city. 3.Three indoor smallbore for high schools.	
		*Nenana *Healy	*Designated shooting areas.	
Barrow-Kotzebue	17	Kotzebue	1.Acquire outdoor highpower range site and improvements. 2.Indoor smallbore range adjacent to high school.	
		Barrow	1.Outdoor range. 2.Indoor smallbore range adjacent to school.	
Nome	18	Nome	1.Centralized smallbore range adjacent to community college. 2.Acquire land and improvements for 600 yard outdoor range.	
Hooper Bay	19	All major villages	Designated outdoor shooting areas	

MEMORANDUM

TO: State Range Planning Committee

DATE: January 16, 1980

FILE NO:

TELEPHONE NO:

FROM: Jack Alexander
Hunter Safety Coordinator
Division of Game
Anchorage

SUBJECT: Recommendations for
shooting facilities.

Attached are the recommendations for shooting facilities as determined at the December 20, 1979 meeting of the Range Planning Committee. Please look them over carefully and compare with your notes. The figures have changed some, but not much. Let me know if you don't agree or have any changes or suggestions to make.

I discussed Izaak Walton League Range development with Maurice Oswald of D.O.W.L. Engineering, who is doing the design work on their development plans. It was Mr. Oswald's opinion that realignment of the Izaak Walton League Range would eliminate any safety hazards currently associated with the Birchwood airstrip.

I'll get the wording for a proposed bond put together in the next week or so and forward it to each of you for your input.

The third meeting of the State Range Planning Committee was held December 20, 1979 in Anchorage. The purpose of the meeting was to determine cost of designating, acquiring, and developing indoor and outdoor shooting facilities.

In most communities of the state the Range committee agreed to allot up to \$2500 and technical assistance to all the smaller villages and communities desiring to designate new or formalize existing shooting areas. Also, this money could be used to develop portable indoor shooting items that could be used for student training.

The committee determined that a transportable 80' X 30' predesigned building would be adequate to meet the needs of most communities for indoor shooting facilities. These would have 5 shooting points for smallbore shooting only and are estimated to cost \$300,000 each.

The need for shooting facilities both indoor and outdoor was examined and cost determined for each community of the State with a population over 1,000 people. The cost figures for each community and the total cost are presented in Appendix B.

The committee's actions so far has identified 14 existing outdoor ranges and 12 indoor ranges located in 25 major communities and 110 smaller communities and villages. Some of these facilities are unusable or unavailable to the general public. The committee's recommendation to offer technical and financial assistance applies to about 135 communities and includes nearly 200 individual development projects.

Enclosure

cc: J. Vania
R. Somerville
P. Hodey

<u>House District Name</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Recommended Facilities</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>
Ketchikan	1	Ketchikan	1. Expand number of firing points and other improvements to existing site.	1. 25
		all other communities	2. Develop smallbore indoor range available to High School.	2. 300
			3. Assistance to 11 additional areas in obtaining designated and/or establish outdoor shooting areas, also financial assistance to schools establishing indoor student training facilities.	3. <u>27.5</u>
			Subtotal	352.5
Wrangell-Petersburg	2	Petersburg	1. Assist in development of indoor smallbore range available to High School.	1. 300
		Wrangell	1. Assist in development of indoor smallbore range available to High School.	1. 300
			2. Assist in upgrading existing outdoor facilities.	2. 5.0
		All other communities	1. Assist 2 additional communities obtain, designate and/or establish outdoor shooting areas and establish indoor student training.	1. <u>5.0</u>
	Subtotal	610.0		
Sitka	3	Sitka	1. Develop existing outdoor facilities.	1. 25.0
			2. Assist develop indoor smallbore range available to High School.	2. 300
		All other	1. Assist one additional community to obtain, designate and/or establish outdoor shooting area and student training facilities.	1. <u>2.5</u>
			Subtotal	327.5
Juneau	4	Juneau	1. Expand and improve existing outdoor range.	1. 75
			2. Improvement to support bldg. indoor range.	2. <u>75</u>
		Subtotal	150	
Haines-Skagway	5	Haines	1. Expand and improve existing outdoor range.	1. 25.0
			2. Develop indoor range.	2. 5.0
		Skagway	1. Minor improvements to existing outdoor range.	1. 5.0
			2. Develop indoor smallbore and pistol range available to High School.	2. 5.0
			3. Assist 5 additional communities to obtain designate and/or establish outdoor shooting areas and student training facilities.	3. <u>12.5</u>
	Subtotal	52.5		

<u>House District Name</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Recommended Facilities</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	
Valdez-Cordova	6	Valdez	No recommendations		
		Cordova	1. Land acquisition and improvements 2. Indoor smallbore facilities adjacent to High School.	1. 20 2. 50	
		Glennallen	1. Improvements to outdoor range and development of range available to High School. 2. Assist 3 additional communities to obtain, designate and/or establish outdoor shooting areas and student training facilities.	1. 10.0 2. <u>7.5</u>	
			Subtotal	87.5	
Palmer-Talkeetna-Wasilla	7	Palmer-Wasilla	1. Acquire land in centralized area.	1. 100	
		Palmer	1. Indoor smallbore range.	1. 300	
		Wasilla	1. Indoor smallbore range. 2. Assist one additional community to obtain designate and/or establish outdoor shooting area and student training facilities.	1. 300 2. <u>2.5</u>	
			Subtotal	702.5	
Anchorage	8	Anchorage	1. Improvement & expansion of 2 existing outdoor ranges. 2. Centralized indoor smallbore and pistol range. 3. Completion of three existing indoor High School smallbore ranges.	1. 475 2. 1,725 3. <u>375</u>	
				Subtotal	2,575.0
Seward	9	Seward	1. Assist in establishing a designated shooting area. 2. Establish smallbore indoor range.	1. 10 2. <u>10</u>	
				Subtotal	20.0
Kenai-Soldotna	10	Soldotna	1. Expansion & improvements to existing outdoor range. 2. Smallbore indoor ranges in 2 High Schools.	1. 10 2. 425	
		Homer	1. Expansion & improvements to existing outdoor ranges. 2. Improvements to existing indoor range. 3. Assist 5 additional communities obtain designate and/or establish outdoor shooting areas and student training facilities.	1. 10 2. 5 3. <u>12.5</u>	
			Subtotal	462.5	

<u>House District Name</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Recommended Facilities</u>	<u>Est. Cost</u>	
Kodiak	11	Kodiak	1. Acquire site and improvements to existing, outdoor range. 2. Designate shooting areas adjacent to city. 3. Indoor smallbore and pistol range. 4. Assist 5 additional communities obtain, designate or establish outdoor shooting areas and student training facilities.	1. 125	
				2. no cost	
				3. 300	
				4. <u>12.5</u>	
				Subtotal 437.5	
Aleutian Islands	12	All communities	1. Assist 10 communities obtain, designate and/or establish outdoor shooting areas and student training facilities.	1. <u>30.0</u>	
				Subtotal 30.0	
Dillingham	13	Dillingham	1. Assist communities to obtain designate and/or establish an outdoor shooting facility. 2. Develop indoor student training facility.	1. 10	
				2. 10	
		Naknek	1. Assist community to obtain, designate and/or establish an outdoor shooting facility and indoor student training facility.	1. 10	
				1. Assist seven additional communities to obtain, designate and/or establish an outdoor shooting area & indoor student training facility.	1. <u>17.5</u>
				Subtotal 47.5	
Bethel (15)	14	Bethel	1. Assist Bethel establish and designate an outdoor shooting facility. 2. Establish indoor smallbore range. 3. Assist 15 additional communities to obtain, designate and/or establish outdoor shooting areas & student training facilities.	1. 10.0	
				2. 100.0	
				3. <u>37.5</u>	
				Subtotal 147.5	
McGrath-Galena-Tanana	15	Galena	1. Assist Galena establish an outdoor shooting facility. 2. Assist development of indoor student training facility.	1. 5.0	
				2. 10.0	
			1. Assist 18 additional communities to obtain, designate and/or establish outdoor shooting & student training facilities.	1. <u>45.0</u>	
				Subtotal 60.0	

Appendix B (cont.)

<u>House District Name</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Recommended Facilities</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	
Fairbanks	16	Fairbanks	1. Central facilities with highpower, small-bore & shotgun, outdoor, smallbore & pistol indoor. 2. Four designated shooting areas adjacent to city. 3. Three indoor smallbore ranges adjacent to High Schools.	1. 1,500	
			1. Assist 5 additional communities to obtain designate and/or establish outdoor shooting area and student training facilities.	2. no cost	
				3. 1,000	
				1. 12.5	
			Subtotal	2,512.5	
Barrow-Kotzebue	17	Kotzebue	1. Acquire outdoor highpower range site & improvements. 2. Indoor smallbore range adjacent to High School.	1. 10.0	
				2. 300.0	
		Barrow	1. Develop outdoor range. 2. Construct small-bore indoor range adjacent to school.	1. 10.0	
			2. 300.0		
		All other communities	1. Assist 9 additional communities to obtain, designate and/or establish outdoor shooting areas and student training facilities.	1. 22.5	
			Subtotal	642.5	
Nome	18	Nome	1. Designate and make improvements to an outdoor range. 2. Smallbore indoor range available to High school.	1. 22.0	
				2. 300.0	
			1. Assist 12 additional communities to obtain designate and/or establish outdoor shooting areas & student indoor training facilities.	1. 30.0	
				Subtotal	352.0
Hooper Bay	19	All Villages	1. Provide assistance to 8 communities in obtaining, designating and/or establishing outdoor shooting areas and indoor student training facilities.	1. 20.0	
			Subtotal	20.0	
				Grand Total	9,589.0

APPENDIX A

Region

I. Northwestern

A. Outdoor

1. Bethel - No designated shooting areas
2. Dillingham - No designated shooting areas
3. Barrow - No designated shooting areas
4. Nome - No designated shooting areas
5. Kotzebue - No designated shooting areas

B. Indoor

1. Bethel - No indoor shooting facilities
2. Dillingham - No indoor shooting facilities
3. Barrow - No indoor shooting facilities
4. Nome - No indoor shooting facilities
5. Kotzebue - No indoor shooting facilities

II. Interior

A. Outdoor

1. Fairbanks
 - a. Northstar Borough 300 yards - summer use only
 - b. Fort Wainwright - organized competition
 - c. Fairbanks Trap Club - open to public on fee basis
 - d. Eielson AFB 100 to 600 yards - high power and small bore organized competition
 - e. State Airport 50 yards - police range

2. Delta
3. Nenana - Undesignated gravel pits
4. Fort Yukon - No designated shooting areas
5. Galena - No designated shooting areas
6. Aniak - No designated shooting areas
7. McGrath - No designated shooting areas
8. Tok - Undesignated gravel pits
9. Healy - No designated shooting areas

3. Indoor

1. Fairbanks
 - a. University of Alaska 50' 12 pt. small bore - open to student - organized competition
 - b. Tanana Valley Sportsman 50' 10 pt. small bore - members and guest - organized competition
 - c. Fairbanks City Police 50' 2 pt. - not open to public
 - d. Ryan Jr. High 50' small bore - student use
2. McGrath - No indoor facilities
3. Delta - Portable small bore traps at High School
4. Nenana - No indoor facilities
5. Tok - No indoor facilities
6. Fort Yukon - No indoor facilities

III. Southcentral

A. Outdoor

1. Anchorage
 - a. Izaak Walton Range - open to public - high power, small bore, pistol, traps and skeet
 - b. Rabbit Creek - high power, small bore, pistol and trap
 - c. Elmendorf 100 - military and organized public
 - d. Fort Richardson - 500 yard high power - organized competition
 - e. Anchorage Sportsman - trap - private - open to public

2. Soldotna and Kenai
 - a. Snowshoe Gun Club - 500 yards - pistol and trap - open to public some weekends and competition
 3. Homer
 - a. Homer Rod and Gun Club 100 yards - high power, pistol and trap - open to public
 4. Kodiak
 - a. Soline Creek Rifle Range 600 yards - high power, 50 yard pistol - open to public, subject to eventual closure
 - b. Base Trap Club - open to military
 - c. Kodiak UFW - 3 trap and 100 yard - 2 position high power - closed to public. Not considered a safe range
 5. Cordova
 - a. Izaak Walton League - 100 yards - high power, small bore - open to public. Due to close December 31, 1979
 6. Valdez
 - a. 200 yard 10 pt. High power - City owned and maintained
 7. Glennallen
 - a. No authorized outdoor shooting facilities
 8. Palmer - Talkeetna - Wasilla
 - a. No authorized outdoor shooting facilities
3. Indoc:
 1. Anchorage
 - a. Elmendorf AFB 10 pt. 25 yards, organized club use
 - b. Bartlett High School 16 pt. 50 ft. - scheduled organized use
 - c. National Guard Armory 6 pt. 50 ft. - open to organized groups
 - d. Chugiak High School 30 ft. 10pt. - open to organized groups
 - e. West High School 10 pt. 50 ft. - open to organized groups
 2. Soldotna and Kenai
 - a. National Guard Armory 10 pt. 50 ft. - open to organized and scheduled competition

- 3. Homer
 - a. Homer Rifle and Pistol Club 4 pt. 75 ft. - open to public
- 4. Kodiak
 - a. 10 pt. 50' Coast Guard indoor range subject to eventual closure
- 5. Cordova
 - a. No indoor shooting facilities
- 6. Valdez
 - a. Valdez High School - 50' 7 pt. small bore - student and organized groups
- 7. Glennallen
 - a. No indoor shooting facilities
- 8. Palmer-Talkeetna-Wasilla
 - a. No indoor shooting facilities

IV. Southeast

A. Outdoor

- 1. Juneau
 - a. Montana Creek 300 yards - high power, small bore and pistol
 - b. Juneau Trap Club
- 2. Yakutat
 - a. No outdoor shooting facilities
- 3. Sitka
 - a. City Range 100 yards - high power open to public
- 4. Petersburg
 - a. City Range 200 yards - high power and small bore
No improvements
- 5. Wrangell
 - a. 200 yard - high power City range open to public, covered firing pts.
- 6. Ketchikan
 - a. Ketchikan Trap Club - 3 traps - open to members and guests - 2 pt 100 yard high power range

7. Skagway

- a. 100 yards - open to public

8. Haines

- a. 150 yd. - high power range

9. Hoonah - No designated outdoor shooting area

B. Indoor

1. Juneau

- a. Juneau Douglas High School - 10 pt. 50' small bore and pistol, not open to public

- b. Support building not open to public

2. Yakutat - No indoor facilities

3. Sitka

- a. BIA Range 4 pt. small bore

4. Petersburg - No indoor facilities

5. Wrangell - No indoor facilities

6. Ketchikan - No indoor facilities

7. Skagway - No indoor facilities

8. Haines - Sr. High School student range

9. Hoonah - No indoor facilities

V. Westward

A. Outdoor

1. Cold Bay

2. Sand Point

3. Dutch Harbor

4. King Salmon - Naknak

B. Indoor

1. Cold Bay - No indoor facilities

2. Sand Point - No indoor facilities

3. Dutch Harbor - No indoor facilities

4. King Salmon - Naknak - No indoor facilities

ORIG. SPONSORS: RUDY ABRAMOW

Introduced: 2/18/80
Referred: State Affairs and
Finance

1 IN THE SENATE

BY STATE AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 477

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to shooting and firearm safety; and
7 providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 16 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

10 CHAPTER 55. SHOOTING AND FIREARM SAFETY.

11 Sec. 16.55.010. DUTIES OF DEPARTMENT. The Department of Fish and
12 Game shall

13 (1) ASSIST IN DEVELOPING AND COORDINATING activities involving public and private or-
14 ganizations relating to shooting and firearms;

15 (2) develop a hunting safety program for the people of the
16 state;

17 (3) ESTABLISH a program TO ASSIST IN the planning, construction and
18 operation of public shooting ranges.

19 Sec. 16.55.020. POWERS OF DEPARTMENT. In the discharge of its
20 duties under AS 16.55.010, the Department of Fish and Game may

21 (1) provide, through a DEPARTMENTAL coordinator,
22 technical assistance to municipalities, communities, and organiza-
23 tions;

24 (2) make grants to municipalities and organizations as pro-
25 vided in AS 16.55.030

26 (A) to develop and operate public shooting ranges and
27 facilities; and

28 (B) to operate programs involving education and training
29 in the safe use of firearms.

1 Sec. 16.55.030. GRANTS. Subject to legislative appropriation for
2 the purpose, th Department of Fish and Game may make grants to munici-
3 palities and private organizations in accordance with AS 16.55.020(2).
4 The department may impose reasonable restrictions on use of funds
5 granted under this section.

6 Sec. 16.55.040. ADVISORY COMMITTEE. (a) There is established in
7 the Department of Fish and Game an Advisory Committee on Hunting and
8 Firearm Safety. The committee consists of five members appointed by the
9 commissioner of fish and game and serving at his pleasure. Members of
10 the advisory committee serve without compensation but are entitled to
11 per diem and travel expenses provided by law for members of boards and
12 commissions.

13 (b) The Advisory Committee on Hunting and Firearm Safety shall
14 select one of its members as chairman.

15 (c) The Advisory Committee on Hunting and Firearm Safety shall
16 meet at the call of the chairman or at the request of ^{A MAJORITY}
17 OF THE MEMBERS.

18 (d) The Advisory Committee on Hunting and Firearm Safety shall
19 advise the Department of Fish and Game in fulfilling its responsibili-
20 ties under this chapter.

21 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect July 1, 1980.
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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

1 Page 2, following line 20, insert a new *Sec. 2 to read:

2 *Sec. 2. AS 38.05.330 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

3 (c) The director, without the prior approval of the commissioner, may
4 issue a permit/to a municipality or a nonprofit organization to develop
5 and operate public shooting ranges and facilities for training in the safe
6 use of firearms. In granting a permit for lands under this subsection,
7 the director shall provide lands to municipalities and organizations when
8 requested by the Advisory Committee on Hunting and Firearm Safety. The
9 land for which a permit is requested shall be granted if its use as a
10 shooting range or facility for training in the safe use of firearms is
11 consistent with the present or proposed use of adjacent parcels and tracts
12 and protects the safety of the public. The commissioner may not charge
13 a fee for a permit issued under this subsection. If the land for which a
14 permit is given under this subsection ceases to be ~~used~~^{operated} as a public shooting
15 range or facility for training in the safe use of firearms, the permit is
16 revoked.

17 Renumber effective date section.
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Recommendations of the State Range Planning Committee

In FY 1980 the Game Division received a legislative appropriation of \$15,000 to establish a State Range Planning Committee consisting of representatives from most major communities within the State. This committee, with directions from Game Division's Hunter Safety Coordinator, was to assess the needs for shooting facilities in cities and towns throughout Alaska and to make recommendations regarding acquisition and development of appropriate shooting facilities. The committee's findings and recommendations are as follows:

The third meeting of the State Range Planning Committee was held December 20, 1979 in Anchorage. The purpose of the meeting was to determine cost of designating, acquiring, and developing indoor and outdoor shooting facilities.

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28 Febraury 19

Sally J. Smith
State Representative
Alaska State House of Representatives
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Representative Smith,

SB 477-479

Please support House Bills 809 and 810, "An Act relating to shooting and firearms safety..." and its companion funding bill.

This bill is partially the result of a study made by a Committee appointed and funded by the Legislature. The best expertise available Statewide identified the need that prompted these bills.

Alaska is a State where firearms are an important part of everyday life. We should be taking the lead in providing the best training available anywhere, to the youngsters of our State, so that they can and will enjoy shooting safely and reduce the public risk.

I have taught firearms safety in Fairbanks for 18 years. We need the help of these bills to provide an adequate program Statewide.

Please assist us by supporting these bills.

Thank you.

9.6 Million dollars

Joe Nava

Joe Nava
SR Bux 30202
Fairbanks, AK 99701

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Page 2, following line 20, insert a new *Sec. 2 to read:

ALASKA LAND ACT - PERMITS

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Renumber effective date section.

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MEMORANDUM

State of Alaska

TO: Ron Somerville, Director
Division of Game, Juneau

DATE: November 20, 1979

Regional Supervisors, Div. of Game

FILE NO:

Members, State Range Planning Committee

TELEPHONE NO:

FROM: Jack Alexander
Hunter Safety Coordinator

SUBJECT: Range Planning Meeting

Attached are the minutes and recommendations made during the November 14th meeting of the State Range Planning Committee.

The second meeting of the State Range Planning Committee was held November 14, at the Anchorage Fish and Game office. Those in attendance included Ted Dixon, Joe Nava, Bob Dickens, Paul Weller, George Lyons, Ray Brown, Sam McDowell, Ted Nelson, Virgil Umphenour and Jack Alexander.

The first order of business was to review and approve the minutes of the October 4 and 5 meeting. Additional old business was to make additions and minor changes to the list of ranges known to the members. Members making additional reports included Virgil Umphenour, Ted Dixon, Ray Brown, Jack Alexander and Paul Weller.

The remainder of the meeting was spent establishing recommendations for range acquisition, development and improvements. George Lyons suggested that recommendations be listed and considered by House districts. These recommendations are presented in Appendix B of the minutes.

The Committee established the date of December 20 for the next meeting, the purpose of which will be to determine cost and priorities for the recommended projects.

<u>House District Name</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Recommended Facilities</u>	<u>Est. Cost</u>
Ketchikan	1	Ketchikan *Craig *Hlydaburg *Klawock *Metlakatla	1. Expand number of firing points at present site. 2. Develop small-bore indoor range available to high schools. *3. Provide assistance to communities establishing designated shooting areas.	
Wrangell-Petersburg	2	Petersburg	1. Assist in development of indoor smallbore range close to high school. 2. Upgrade existing city range.	
		Wrangell	1. Assist in development of indoor smallbore range. 2. Assist in upgrade existing outdoor facilities.	
		Kake	*Provide community assistance in establishing designated outdoor shooting areas.	
Sitka	3	Sitka	1. Develop existing outdoor facilities. 2. Assist in funding an allweather smallbore and pistol range.	
		*Angoon	* Provide community with assistance in establishing designated outdoor shooting area.	
Juneau	4	Juneau	1. Expand and improve existing outdoor range. 2. Improvements to Support Building indoor range.	
Haines-Skagway	5	Haines	1. Minor improvements to existing outdoor range. 2. Develop indoor facilities.	
		Skagway	1. Minor improvements to existing range. 2. Develop indoor smallbore and pistol range.	
		*Yakutat	*Provide community with assistance in establishing designated outdoor shooting area.	
Valdez-Cordova	6	Valdez	No recommendations.	
		Cordova	1. Land acquisition and improvements. 2. 6pt. 50' indoor smallbore range.	

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Palmer-Talkeetna-Wasilla	7	Palmer-Wasilla	1.Acquire land in central area.	
		Palmer	1.Indoor smallbore range.	
		Wasilla	1.Indoor smallbore range.	
		*Talkeetna	* Provide community with assistance in establishing designated outdoor shooting area.	
Anchorage		Anchorage	1.Improvements and expansion of two existing outdoor ranges. 2.Centralized indoor smallbore and pistol range. 3.Completion of two existing indoor high school smallbore ranges.	
Seward	9	Seward	1.Provide community with assistance in establishing outdoor shooting area.	
Kenai-Soldotna	10	Soldotna	1.Expansion and improvements to existing outdoor range. 2.Smallbore indoor range at high school.	
		Homer	1.Expand and improvements to existing outdoor ranges.	
Kodiak	11	Kodiak	1.Acquire site and improvements to existing range. 2.Designated shooting areas adjacent to city. 3.Smallbore and pistol indoor range.	
		Port Lions	1.Designated shooting area.	
Aleutian Island	12	*All villages	*Designated shooting areas.	
Dillingham	13	Dillingham	1.Designated shooting area. 2.Indoor smallbore range.	
		Naknek	1.Designated shooting area.	

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Bethel	14	Bethel	1.Site acquisition and development. 2.Smallbore indoor range.	
McGrath-Galena-Tanana	15	*McGrath *Galena *Tanana	*Designated shooting areas	
Fairbanks	16	Fairbanks	1.Central facilities with high-power, smallbore and pistol outdoor and smallbore and pistol indoor. 2.Four designated shooting areas adjacent to city. 3.Three indoor smallbore for high schools.	
		*Nenana *Healy	*Designated shooting areas.	
Barrow-Kotzebue	17	Kotzebue	1.Acquire outdoor highpower range site and improvements. 2.Indoor smallbore range adjacent to high school.	
		Barrow	1.Outdoor range. 2.Indoor smallbore range adjacent to school.	
Nome	18	Nome	1.Centralized smallbore range adjacent to community college. 2.Acquire land and improvements for 600 yard outdoor range.	
Hooper Bay	19	All major villages	Designated outdoor shooting areas	

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