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STATE OF ALASKA  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
JUNEAU

January 29, 1982

The Honorable Jalmar Kerttula  
President of the Senate  
Alaska State Legislature  
Pouch V  
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Mr. President:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a resolution which proposes amendments to the Alaska Constitution.

Section 1 of the resolution proposes to add sec. 17 to art. IX of the Alaska Constitution. The new section would establish a ceiling on the amount of money that can be spent for the capital projects which require voter approval under proposed art. IX, sec. 16. Proposed art. IX, sec. 16 (FSS SLA 81), limits capital and operating expenditures for a fiscal year to \$2,500,000,000 plus adjustments for population change and inflation. Appropriations above this limit, for capital projects, require final voter approval. Under proposed art. IX, sec. 17, appropriations for capital projects above the limit would be restricted to not more than 50 percent of the unexpended and unobligated money in excess of that limit. The amount of appropriations not approved by voters would be placed in the permanent fund.

Section 17 also provides that, if approved by the voters, remaining unexpended and unobligated money in the treasury would be placed in the permanent fund instead of invested as provided in proposed art. IX, sec. 16.

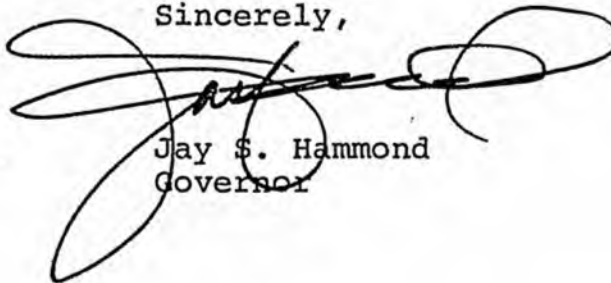
Section 2 of the resolution adds secs. 29 and 30 to art. XV of the Alaska Constitution. Section 29 would tie the effective date of art. IX, sec. 17, proposed in sec. 1 of this resolution, to the effective date of proposed art. IX, sec. 16. Section 30 would provide for repeal of proposed art. IX, sec. 17, if proposed art. IX, sec. 16 is rejected by the voters in 1986.

Section 3 of the resolution provides for placement of the constitutional amendments in this resolution before the voters at the next general election, which would be in November, 1982.

While proposed art. IX, sec. 16 sets a ceiling on the total amount of appropriations for capital and operating expenditures, that ceiling can be exceeded for capital projects under certain conditions. The proposed constitutional amendments in this resolution will give the administration and the legislature the opportunity to gauge the public's desire to cut back further on state spending by putting a real ceiling on the amount of money that may be spent on capital projects. At the same time, the amendment in sec. 1 of the resolution will add to the permanent fund "painlessly" by returning voter-rejected capital project appropriations to the permanent fund instead of the state treasury.

I feel that the voters of this state should have a chance to help determine the growth of state spending, and I strongly urge passage of this resolution.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke.

Jay S. Hammond  
Governor

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