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# MEMORANDUM

# State of Alaska

TO: Senator Charlie Parr  
Alaska State Legislature  
Behrends, Room 210

DATE: February 23, 1981

FILE NO:

TELEPHONE NO: 465-2910

SUBJECT: STATE LIBRARY LEGISLATION

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THROUGH: Bill Thomson  
Deputy Commissioner  
Department of Education

FROM: Richard B. Engen *RBE*  
Director  
Alaska State Library

As per your request I am sending you the information on library related legislation. I have attached a copy of House Bill 92, which provides for library assistance grants and interlibrary cooperation network grants, the Governor's transmittal letter and the Fiscal Note which give greater detail. We are very excited about this legislation as it establishes a basic level of support for Alaska Library Network activities which Alaskan libraries have so long been cooperating on. It also meets a number of the goals of the Alaska Library Association legislative program. I have also included a copy of the ALIA legislative program. The Sourdough you recently received also covers the 1981 legislative program.

The Data Access Center has continued to be a frustration for us. The need for it has only grown since its passage in 1979 but up to now no funds have been appropriated to implement it.

The Data Access Center, AS 14.56.07-180, is related to the distribution of state publications to depository libraries that make the publications available to the public and other interested persons. Data access is an add on to the older function. In brief it is what libraries call an information and referral system. State agencies and many others conduct research projects and gather information in Alaska ranging all the way from archeological digs to counting trees to career opportunities. There are associated problems. Results may never be published and others needing information will repeat the project or in some instances because there is no reporting mechanisms 2 projects may try to run at the same time. The aim is not to control projects or research but to avoid unnecessary duplication and, primarily, to make sure the results of publicly funded research areas are easily accessible to the public. There are also information systems which are pertinent and the method of access needs to be available through other than word of mouth.

As you probably remember, the concept of the Data Access Center was not to bring all the material into one location but to provide for access to it. The library's role should remain that of providing user access to information, organized for retrieval. Information already accessible through commercial or other public sources would not be duplicated but could be referenced as a component or as a further source. Perhaps the strongest example would be the Washington Library Network. Six Alaska libraries, the State Library, the University of Alaska, Fairbanks and Anchorage, Anchorage Municipal Libraries, Fairbanks North Star Borough Library, and the State Law Library are all participants in WLN and input their holdings to it. By late March we will have a new addition of the Comfiche

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Catalog of all of the Alaska holdings in this Data Base. We now anticipate that this will be approximately 150,000 titles. This microfiche listing of these holdings will be available to communities throughout Alaska.

The organizational interrelationship of agencies and the State Library should remain essential what they are for documents distribution. Once the basic organizational efforts on the Data Access Center have been completed the liaison persons with each agency would assist in following up and evaluating the system. The liaison persons designated according to the Statute also provide a forum to evaluate the beneficial coordination of forming, information equipment, and programming. Both planning and development must be flexible to enable the Center to be effectively managed by the library and effectively used by the agencies.

Our request to initiate development of the Data Access Center, was not allowed by the Governor's Budget Review Committee, would provide for 1 professional librarian and 1 clerical assistant, travel to coordinate information access points in various communities, supplies, contractual services and basic equipment.

Most of the major national databanks such as Lockheed, SDC or BRS, are now providing what they call "private file service". This allows a highly sophisticated searching program to be used for material that is input by individual users. This may be a viable way for us to proceed but may be better to adapt WIN to serve our needs or use another method.

The estimated budget for \$120,000 broken down as follows:

PERSONAL SERVICES	\$60,100
(This provides a Librarian II and a Clerk Typist III.)	
TRAVEL	4,900
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	50,000
COMMODITIES	2,500
EQUIPMENT	2,500
	<u>\$120,000</u>

We appreciate your continuing interest in the library and information programs of the state. The cooperation between the various types of libraries in Alaska is unique in the country.

Attachments

# MEMORANDUM

State of Alaska

TO: Representative Don Clocksin  
House of Representatives  
Capitol, Room 505

DATE: February 20, 1981

FILE NO:

TELEPHONE NO: 465-2910

SUBJECT: HOUSE BILL 92

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THROUGH: Bill Thomsen  
Deputy Commissioner  
Department of Education

FROM: Richard B. Engen  
Director  
Alaska State Library *Dick*

Attached is the information we discussed on the Library Assistance Grants program, House Bill 92. Included is:

- Copy of the Bill with Governor's Transmittal Letter and Fiscal Note attached
- List of present recipients of \$1,000 annual grant for Library Materials
- Copy of the Long Range Library Development Plan - Library Services for All Alaskans (summary) which outlines the cooperative network.

I'll be happy to provide any additional information. Thank you for your interest.

PRESENT RECIPIENTS OF \$1,000 ANNUAL GRANT FOR LIBRARY MATERIALS

SOUTHEAST REGION

Craig  
Douglas  
Haines  
Hyder  
Juneau  
Ketchikan  
Pelican  
Petersburg  
Sitka  
Wrangell

SOUTHCENTRAL REGION

Anchor Point  
Bethel  
Cordova  
Dillingham  
Glennallen  
Homer  
Kasilof  
Kenai  
Kenny Lake  
Kodiak  
McGrath  
Naknek  
Whittier

Ninilchik  
Palmer  
Pilot Station  
Port Lions  
Seldovia  
Seward  
Soldotna  
Sutton  
Talkeetna  
Willow  
Wasilla  
Anchorage  
Unalaska

NORTHERN REGION

Anderson  
Cantwell  
Delta  
Eagle  
Elim  
Fairbanks  
Fort Yukon  
Kotzebue  
Nome  
Nenana  
Savoonga  
Shishmaref  
Tanana

Teller  
Tri Valley  
Tok  
Una'akleet  
North Pole  
Galena

A Summary Report  
**LIBRARY SERVICES  
FOR ALL ALASKANS**  
A Statewide Library Development Plan



## PLAN OBJECTIVE

To improve library service to the citizens of Alaska; and for some areas and citizen groups, to provide library service for the first time.

### Through a TOTAL LIBRARY SERVICE

- To meet the educational, informational, and cultural needs of all the people – the public generally, as well as such special clientele groups as the business community, public officials, children, students, native Alaskans, teachers, researchers, scholars. . .

- To reach into the community with programs and services that are relevant to community needs.

- To provide the full sweep of informational materials and resources – books, magazines, newspapers, government publications, historical documents, sound recording and audio tapes, films, filmstrips, slides, photographs, maps. . .

### Achieved by

- Maximum cooperation between all types of libraries: community, school, college, university, special, and research.

- A REGIONAL SYSTEM of library service.

- Statewide coordination and an equitable basis of state-local sharing of responsibility and support.

*This is a summary of a comprehensive report which details the findings of the study leading to the preparation of this library development plan. A copy of the complete report can be obtained from your community library or from the Alaska State Library.*

*The study was conducted by Public Administration Service under contract with the State and was financed with federal funds provided under Title III of the Library Services and Construction Act.*

### Alaska as a Library Service Area

A unique combination of physical and population characteristics make Alaska an unusual library service area, differing markedly from any of the "lower forty-eight" states. Furthermore, geographic barriers as well as climatic, population, and other features divide Alaska into several distinct regions, each with its own special service requirements.

**Size:** 586,000 square miles; two and one-half times the size of Texas.

**Topography:** High mountain ranges, great expanses of tundra and muskeg, and bodies of water divide the State and separate its populated areas.

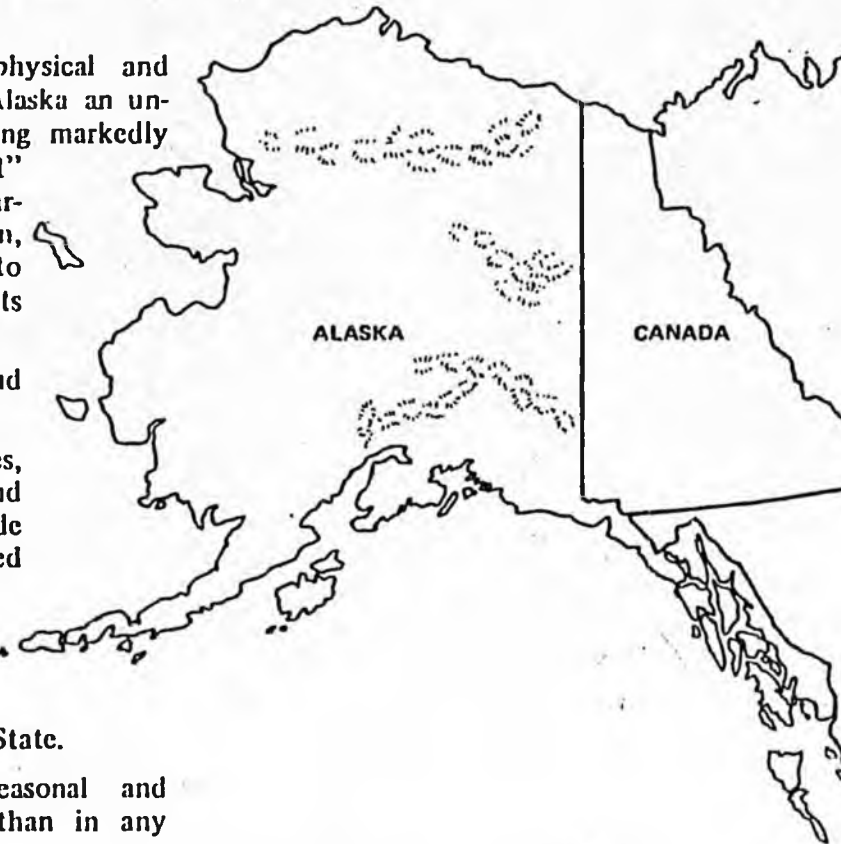
**Distances:** Distances of 500 miles between cities are common; it is nearly 2,500 air miles across the State.

**Climate:** Substantially greater seasonal and regional temperature variations than in any other state.

**Population:** Approximately 280,000 people or one person per two square miles, compared with 60 persons per square mile in the United States as a whole. Steady growth to perhaps 400,000 by 1980 is anticipated.

**Population Concentrations:** There are but two urban centers of more than 25,000 population, two of approximately 10,000 and not more than 15 of from 1,000 to 5,000. There are scores of towns and villages of less than 500 population in remote, difficult-to-reach locations.

**Transportation:** Unusual combinations of air, water, and overland transportation facilities are



required to move people and things.

**Native Alaskan Population:** Some 50,000 Native Alaskans (Eskimos and Indians) represent a special library service need and opportunity.

**Communications:** Rapid communication between populated places is often difficult, sometimes impossible, and costs are high.

**Economy:** Natural resource development and tourism are reducing the former heavy dependence on government activity and fishing.

**Government Structure:** Alaska's modern Constitution and unique borough-city government structure permit sensible service arrangements.

## PRESENT LIBRARY SERVICES

### Public or Community Libraries

Public library services are now provided through 75-80 community libraries supported and operated by 9 city and borough governments, 36 incorporated library associations, and more than 30 unincorporated private groups. With few exceptions, these are very small libraries, poorly housed, without trained staff, having inadequate book collections which for the most part were donated, holding little or no non-book (audio/visual) material, open very few hours per week, and meagerly supported. Considering their extremely limited resources, the libraries are well used, for Alaskans read a great deal.

*Kettleton Memorial Library, Sitka, Alaska. An exception.*



Except for the few libraries financed by local governments, the public libraries are largely supported through private donations and fund raising. Many private persons freely contribute their time and energies to this public service. The State grants \$250 per year to each incorporated library association and loans small book collections to the unincorporated associations. Federal funds are available through the State Library for a limited number of special services and demonstration or construction projects. Local support for public libraries in Alaska is less than \$1.50 per year per capita, compared with \$4.00-\$6.00 elsewhere.

Present public library services in Alaska fall so far short of generally accepted standards of minimum service there is no point in making comparisons. Further, many of these standards — staffing, service areas, financing, etc. — simply are not relevant to the Alaska environment.

### School Library Services

Most elementary and all secondary schools have a school library service, ranging from shelves of curriculum-related books in classrooms to central facilities with full-time staffs and materials in all media. Few, however, approach the published minimum standards for school libraries either as to staff or collections. Those in the smaller communities and schools are particularly deficient. Even where reasonably satisfactory school libraries exist, they are often used as study halls and are not kept open other than during regular school hours.

School library services are financed through a combination of local, state, and federal funds.

### University and College Libraries

The libraries of the University of Alaska and Alaska Methodist University, serving their student bodies and faculties, are building strong collections and service programs. The University of Alaska Library, with a book collection of more

than 180,000 volumes, will move into a new building this year. The Alaska Methodist University Library, with a present collection of 50,000 volumes, is also to have new quarters — with a 300,000 volume capacity.

The libraries of the eight community and junior colleges are less well developed. Only one or two now approach adequacy, but campus construction plans call for replacement of present makeshift quarters and will permit service improvements.

### Special Libraries

Special libraries are operated by several federal agencies — the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, U.S. Forest Service, Federal Aviation Agency, and U.S. Public Health Service. These exist primarily to serve the needs of agency personnel but other persons are permitted access and inter-library loans of materials are made.

There are also several specialized libraries operated by state agencies: the State Law Library, with headquarters in Anchorage and ten branches across the State, serves the courts and the legal profession; the Legislative Reference Library provides a service to the Legislature and its staff; and the Department of Fish and Game supports a library primarily, but not exclusively, for staff use.

### Alaska State Library

The State Library is by statute assigned a broad range of functions, including statewide coordination of library services, reference services to state agencies and officials, consultant services to community and school libraries, administration of state and federal grant programs, provision of direct service by mail to people without reasonable access to a public library, and maintenance of an Alaska historical collection. These services are now available to varying degrees, but in no instance at a level of minimum acceptability. The principal problem has been, and continues to be, insufficient state support — a major portion of the State Library's budget is met from federal grant funds.

In Other Words, Present Library Services are

- Uncoordinated
- Uneven in quality
- Poorly financed
- Generally inadequate for Alaska's present and future needs.



*A More Typical Community Library.*

## RECOMMENDED PLAN OF SERVICE

An improved library service can be best and most economically achieved by building, on what now exists, a single broad cooperation system; a system or network in which each type of library - public, school, college, university, and special - continues to serve the needs of its particular clientele, but in cooperation rather than in isolation from the others. The collections and services of each library and type of library should be so developed as to complement the others with fair arrangements for sharing resources. No library can expect to include in its collection all the materials that may be required of it, thus comprehensive coverage at any level can be achieved in Alaska only through the combined efforts of all the libraries in the State. Cooperation must reach across all jurisdictional lines, not only the legal or political boundaries of cities, boroughs,

and the State, but also those of functional and institutional entities.

The plan now presented has been developed with the library user in mind. What are his needs and how can they best be served? The organizational and other arrangements proposed have, as a consequence, been tailored to satisfy this criterion. Too often the public is asked to conform to what is simply administrative convenience.

### Three Regional Systems

The State should be divided into three regions, each constituting a regional library system. (See Map). The regional centers would be Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau. Each regional system would offer three levels of library service:

#### FIRST LEVEL

##### Community Library.

The community library is the first line of service, the place or facility to which a person usually goes for library service and which is equipped in so far as is reasonably possible to meet his ordinary needs. When it cannot provide the information or material needed, it is prepared to obtain it or refer the person to the nearest and best source. For the school population, the school library shares this role.

#### SECOND LEVEL

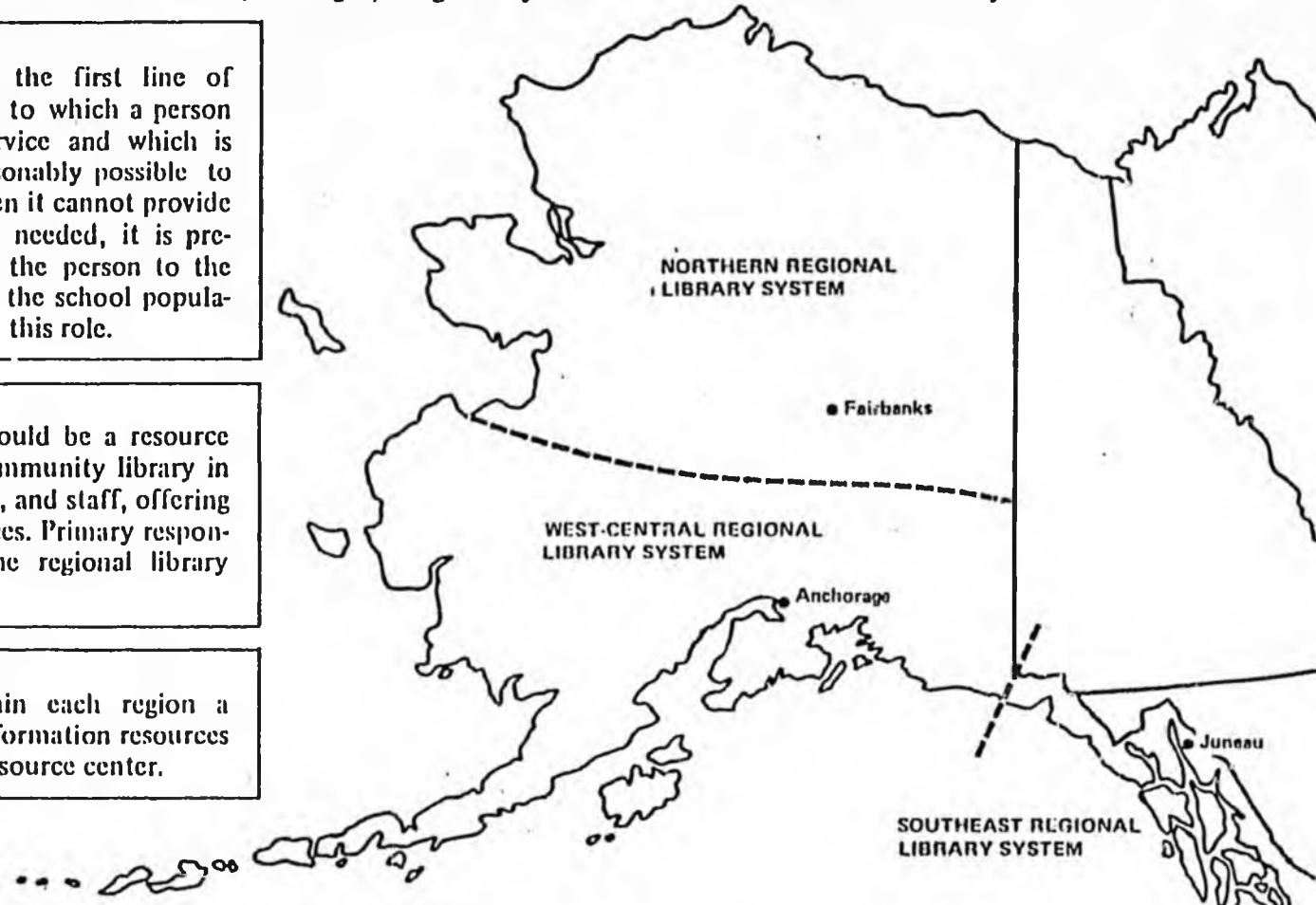
##### Resource Center Library.

Within each region there would be a resource center to supplement the community library in respect to resources, facilities, and staff, offering a full range of back-up services. Primary responsibility for administering the regional library system would rest here.

#### THIRD LEVEL

##### Research Library.

There would also be within each region a research library to provide information resources beyond the capacity of the resource center.



**FIRST LEVEL** The Community Library is the library available to all the citizens of the State because of its location and because the services it provides and the materials it holds are specifically related to the needs of the community. It offers general reading, visual, and audio materials and information services. There should be a library in each identifiable community, whether a remote village or a major urban center. Each library should reach the maximum service area consistent with reasonable access. It may be a facility in a city serving all the residents of the city and those in the surrounding area; alternatively, it may be a neighborhood or suburban branch of a larger system, a bookmobile, or service by mail. The essential characteristic is that it is the first level of library service. Certain community libraries should be designated as "library centers" for the limited purpose of materials distribution and, in some instances, as a communications center for community libraries in the surrounding area.

**SECOND LEVEL** The Resource Center Library is the heart of the regional plan of service, providing all manner of supplemental and back-up service to the community libraries and coordinating their activities with those of all other types of libraries in the region and with the State Library. It is the administering library of the regional system.

The resource center would have the materials, staff, and facilities to satisfy all but the most specialized patron needs. These would be available to all libraries in the region and to the public in whatever manner best serves, but primarily through the community libraries. Included among its services should be:

1. Coordinating activities and programs treating with major groups of library users and providing back-up collections, professional consultation and other assistance.
2. Directing a program of cooperative circulation control.
3. Providing a regionwide audio-visual service.
4. Administering at the regional level cooperative programs between community, school, college, and other libraries.
5. Developing a program for the preservation of local history, with strong emphasis on oral history.
6. Physical processing of materials acquired by all libraries in the region, should such a regionalized plan be adopted.
7. Coordinating a regional program for the retention of back issues of periodicals and newspapers.
8. Developing regional lists of holdings and direction of a program of interlibrary loans.
9. Technical supervision of demonstration projects.
10. Community library service within its own service area.

**THIRD LEVEL** The Research Library provides the information resources required beyond the capacity of the resource center library, including specialized materials and services in all fields of knowledge sufficient to support the research activities likely to occur in the State. In accord with an agreed statewide and regional service plan, the research library would provide public access to its facilities and collection, respond to research inquiries, loan its circulating materials, provide photo or other copies of materials, and offer bibliographic access to holdings on a regional, state, national and international basis. The three research libraries would be the libraries of the University of Alaska and Alaska Methodist University and the State Library.

#### Alaska State Library

In addition to serving as one of the three research libraries, the Alaska State Library would coordinate the entire library service plan. In so doing, it would, among other functions:

1. Administer the state aid and federal assistance programs.
2. Provide consultation services on a regional and statewide basis.
3. Carry out a central cataloging service available to all libraries of the State, including as a part of this service the preparation of union catalogs.
4. Operate a centralized materials processing service for all libraries, or, if this activity is regionalized, provide necessary coordination.
5. Administer or coordinate all library services to all agencies of Alaska State Government, including the legislative and judicial branches.
6. Coordinate the school library and public library programs and provide consultative and facilitative services for the Department of Education.
7. Serve as a regional depository for federal publications and administer the proposed state depository law.

#### Special Libraries

The several special libraries supported by agencies of the federal government should be tied to the statewide system at the research library level.

The Legislative Reference Library and the State Law Library should be placed organizationally in the Division of State Libraries so that their services could be coordinated and strengthened.

## MEETING ALASKA'S SPECIAL LIBRARY SERVICE NEEDS

The foregoing recommendations set forth the basic plan of system organization, program responsibility, and service levels. Certain specialized needs were highlighted, but others were merely identified and the recommended course of action perhaps only implied; several require emphasis.

### **Staffing the Libraries of Alaska**

In light of the nationwide shortage of trained librarians and the difficulty of attracting such persons to Alaska, the staffing plan initially should emphasize:

1. Recruiting a small number of persons with exceptional qualifications and assigning them to the State Library and the Resource Center to direct the implementation of this plan. Salaries adequate to attract first-rate persons must be offered.
2. Developing a community college program for training Alaskans – including native Alaskans – as Library Technicians.
3. Offering scholarships and internships to qualified and interested Alaskans.
4. Training community aides and other library personnel on-the-job and through special workshops and seminars.

*Improved staffing of all types of libraries in Alaska is of critical importance.*

### **Bibliographic Tools and Services**

Much of the working time of library personnel throughout the State is now spent in the processing of materials – cataloging and physically preparing materials for use. This is time lost from patron and community service. There is urgent need for a processing center to provide to all libraries a cataloging, physical processing, and card or book catalog service.

### **Communications**

Important to any plan of interlibrary cooperation is reasonably rapid and reliable communications among participating libraries. As a minimum, the three resource centers and research libraries should be tied together as soon as possible with a rapid, economical system of communication. This can be achieved on at least an interim basis by joining the State's present "communications network" operated by the Department of Public Works.

### **A State Depository Law**

A state depository law should be enacted for state and local publications which would prescribe that the State Library receive copies of each such publication for its own use and for exchange with other states. The law should also provide for the establishment

of complete and selective depositories in all types of libraries throughout the State.

### **Alaskan Historical Materials**

Because of Alaska's unusual and rich history, special attention should be given to collecting and preserving historical documents and materials and making these easily available through community and school libraries. The University of Alaska and the State Library should develop a joint or cooperative program to do this.

### **Physical Facilities**

Although building programs are underway in some areas, most libraries in Alaska are inadequately housed; the great majority are in buildings or space never intended for this use. A statewide building program should be developed that is geared to the installation of the regional system. The success of this service plan will be markedly influenced by the rate at which satisfactory facilities can be provided. This applies to school libraries, public libraries, and to the State Library itself.

### **Hours of Service**

There must be a substantial increase in the "open hours" of libraries. Hours should be scheduled to best serve the convenience of the user and include evening and weekend periods. Where feasible, school libraries should be open beyond the usual school day and the service hours of public libraries should be set to meet student needs as well as those of other user groups.

### **Interstate Cooperation**

The State Library now cooperates with several other states as a participant in the Pacific Northwest Bibliographic Center and in an on-going survey of training needs and resources. Such interstate cooperation should be continued, and where possible expanded, for Alaska cannot "go it alone". Conferences should be convened across state and national borders to determine areas of profitable cooperation.

### **Alaska Library Association**

The Alaska Library Association should be strengthened in membership and in organization to be of assistance in implementing this plan.

### **Advisory Council**

The Interlibrary Cooperation Advisory Council should continue as a statewide advisory body to review the plan as proposed, seek public understanding and support for the plan, and guide its implementation.

## LIBRARY SERVICE DEMONSTRATIONS

Because many of the recommendations in this plan propose new types of library services or new service approaches, it would be desirable to test or demonstrate their value. Several such demonstrations are suggested below.

### Extending Library Service to a Remote Community

This project would demonstrate a total library service for a remote community in which the library would serve as the cultural community center. It would meet the total library needs of the students and through use of various media serve people who cannot or normally will not use printed library materials. The library facility should contain ample room for group activities of an educational or cultural nature and equipment for the in-library use of audio and visual materials. The collection would include materials relevant to all community activities, local history and culture, and the economy of the area. Unalaska is a possible site for such a demonstration. A larger community in which this approach could usefully be demonstrated is Kotzebue.

### Extending Library Service in an Urban Setting

This would be a demonstration of the provision of a special type of library service to a district, within a larger urban area, containing a high percentage of low income families, unemployed persons, or persons with special educational and informational needs. The library collection would be especially selected to suit the interests and reading levels of the public served and include materials in all media for study, practical information, and recreational reading. Emphasis would be placed on such subjects as home and family management, job training, and employment opportunities. The staff would include community aides to work with neighborhood organizations and the library would be utilized for such information-related

activities as "head start", adult literacy, and neighborhood discussion groups.

### A Combined Community and School Library Service

A demonstration of total library service to an area characterized by a trading center with a number of outlying villages; for example, Bethel and its surrounding area. The library would be neither a school nor a community library, but would meet total public needs. It would serve all ages with materials in all media. The staff would know the needs of the students and relate the library to the curriculum; they would also develop programs of outreach to the community, provide specialized service to business and industry, including vocational training materials, and work with community groups.

### A Total Borough Library Service

A demonstration is needed of a comprehensive borough-wide service with a library center and service extended outward through branches, stations, mobile units, and community "out-reach" programs. Joint services would be offered where feasible by school, community, and college libraries. Kodiak Island Borough is a likely demonstration site.

### Oral History

Many native Alaskans cannot use printed library materials or fully appreciate most audio materials because of language barriers or the irrelevance of the subject matter to their lives. Also, there is a rich oral literature and history of native Alaska that should be recorded for current enjoyment and permanent preservation. A demonstration project should be developed to record on tape the oral literature and history of one or more native Alaskan groups. The tapes so produced would be made conveniently available for current use in libraries throughout Alaska, and copies offered for sale outside the State.



*Remote village of Nulato, Alaska.*

### Universal Library Privileges

Because Alaska's population is highly mobile, with many people frequently traveling great distances for commercial, governmental, educational, and recreational purposes, a universal library privilege demonstration would be desirable. Each library user would register with the library serving his place of residence and would then be permitted to borrow circulating materials from any library in the State without payment of any kind of nonresident fee.

### Library Service by Air

Because the airplane is more important in Alaskan transportation than any other vehicle, its use in a plan of improved library services should be tested. The airplane will of course be the principal means of moving library materials and staff under the regional system, but other uses are conceivable. One would be the equivalent of an airborne bookmobile of sufficient size to contain a collection of at least 1,500 books and other items, and space for patrons to enter and make their selections from the shelves. An alternative would be a collection packaged in a way to permit easy handling and transfer from an airplane to facilities in the community or at airports—for example, trailers or other portable structures. Such a demonstration could be staged in an area such as Nome and its surrounding villages.

## FINANCING THE PLAN

Because of Alaska's unusual geographic and population characteristics, it is very clear that maximum coordination and effective joint service arrangements between all public libraries and between public libraries and other types of libraries is essential. It is equally clear that Alaska must ignore those traditional practices and organizational patterns that increase costs without improving services. Each dollar must be stretched to the limit. The present plan for library services assumes this will be the case. Even so, additional funds in significant amounts will be needed.

The support of public library service must be a joint local and state government responsibility. A minimum level of support must be fixed and, where feasible, met from local resources. Where this is not possible, the difference between local ability and the minimum need must be met by the State, as is now done in public education. The proposed regional library system should be fully state-financed for it serves the entire State through all types of library programs and the benefits are statewide.

### Minimum Support for Community Library Service

The minimum required local support for community library service should be the equivalent of 0.5 mill on the assessed valuation of taxable property in the service area. If this does not equal at least \$3.00 per capita, the State should make up the difference as an equalization grant.

As an incentive to communities to provide more than the minimum of support, the State should match one-third of local expenditures above \$3.00 per capita up to a maximum per capita expenditure of \$6.00.

### Regional System

The regional system should be supported by the State as follows:

1. A \$1.00 per capita grant to each region for support of the basic program of services offered by the resource center libraries.
2. An additional allotment to the regional systems of \$0.30 per capita in service areas where the library center is more than 200 miles from the regional center.
3. An establishment grant to the system for each library joining and meeting the minimum support criteria. This would be paid for the first two years in the amount of \$3.00 per capita to a maximum of \$5,000 for a city library service and \$10,000 for a boroughwide service.
4. An annual grant of \$150,000 to each research library for its contribution to the total service plan.

### The State Library

It has been seen that the State Library now only partially fulfills its statutory responsibilities and does this largely with federal funds. Additional support will be needed if the State Library is to do its basic job satisfactorily and at the same time coordinate the execution of this statewide plan. It will mean building over the next few years to a level of state support of at least \$500,000 per annum.

### Costs Summarized

Full implementation of this plan will require a number of years. Funding requirements will accelerate from a modest outlay during the first few years to the full amount on completion of plan implementation, which on an annual basis would then approximate:

Equalization and incentive grants	\$350,000
Regional system support	300,000
Research libraries	450,000
State Library increased support	300,000
	<b>\$1,400,000</b>

The estimate for equalization and incentive grants is subject to considerable variation, depending on local decisions as to service areas and support.

This may seem a substantial outlay and, compared with what the State now provides for public and state library services, it is. But it represents less than 2% of present expenditures for elementary and secondary education.

**Local Financial Support of Selected Community Libraries  
Present and at Proposed 0.5 Mill**

Community	Present (1967-1968)	Proposed 0.5 Mill
Anchorage	\$204,000	\$220,000
Cordova	2,500	4,300
Douglas	0	4,500
Homer	1,800	4,300
Juneau	52,300	35,000
Ketchikan	39,700	25,000
Kodiak	14,400	16,500
Nome	0	3,500
Palmer	3,000	4,300
Seward	5,600	4,200
Sitka	14,600	10,500
Unalaska	0	250
Yakutat	0	380

## PHASING OF PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

Making the plan fully effective will take time -- a period of years. The plan is not self-executing; a great deal of work will be required in preparing for the actual implementation of each element of the plan -- recruitment of people, explanations to official bodies, legislation at state and local levels of government, selection of demonstration areas, testing of new approaches and techniques, generation of public interest and

support, planning and construction of facilities -- all requiring time.

There is however an urgency that the program move forward; that it be started at once. This can be done without any binding commitment that the plan is accepted in its entirety or that it will be fully carried into effect within a fixed period.

**PHASE ONE** The first year should be one of gaining understanding of the plan and its objectives, of setting priorities, and of making preparations for new or expanded services. The following specific steps are recommended:

- The recruitment of a minimum of four highly qualified librarians, one for the State Library and one for each of the three resource centers, to devote full time to preparations for plan execution.
- Explaining the proposed service plan and its objectives to state and local officials, citizen groups, and the general public; obtaining official and public reaction and comment; weighing suggestions; and, after gaining concurrence on plan elements, phasing its implementation.
- Drafting proposed legislation to authorize the basic state aid program and regional service plan and preparing relevant explanatory materials.
- Selecting initial demonstration projects and sites, preparing detailed plans and budgets, and gaining advance approval and support.
- Developing a central cataloging and processing service and its phase I implementation.
- Designing a community college course of study for library technicians.
- Securing passage of a depository law.
- Securing the appropriation of funds by the Legislature adequate to carry out these steps.

The immediate need is for action by the Alaska Legislature in its 1969 regular session in providing the minimum funds required to make this start. An estimated \$150,000 is required.

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4710 Kershener Avenue  
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March 3, 1981

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Pouch V  
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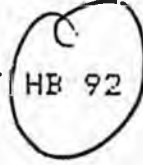
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SOUTHEAST REGION

Craig  
Douglas  
Haines  
Hyder  
Juneau  
Ketchikan  
Pelican  
Petersburg  
Sitka  
Wrangell

SOUTHCENTRAL REGION

Anchor Point  
Bethel  
Cordova  
Dillingham  
Glennallen  
Homer  
Kasilof  
Kenai  
Kenny Lake  
Kodiak  
McGrath  
Naknek  
Whittier

Ninilchik  
Palmer  
Pilot Station  
Port Lions  
Seldovia  
Seward  
Soldotna  
Sutton  
Talkcetna  
Willow  
Wasilla  
Anchorage  
Unalaska

NORTHERN REGION

Anderson  
Cantwell  
Delta  
Eagle  
Elim  
Fairbanks  
Fort Yukon  
Kotzebue  
Nome  
Nenana  
Savoonga  
Shishmaref  
Tanana

Teller  
Tri Valley  
Tok  
Unalakleet  
North Pole  
Galena

THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

FISCAL NOTE

I. REQUEST  
 Bill/Resolution No. HOUSE BILL NO. 92 (Page 1 of 2)  
 Title Library Assistance Grants  
 Requested by Governor Date 1/6/81

II. FISCAL DETAIL  
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GENERAL FUND		1,080.0	1,188.0	1,306.8	1,437.5	1,581.2
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER (Specify Fund Source)						

POSITIONS

FULL TIME	N/A					
PART TIME						
TEMPORARY						

III. ANALYSIS (See Fiscal Note Preparation Instructions, Section III)

See Attached

IV. DATE 1/6/81 PREPARED BY Steve Hole Steve Hole  
 AGENCY Department of Education  
 PHONE 465-2800  
 Original: Legislative Finance  
 cc: Budget and Management  
 Prime Sponsor (First Legislator Named)

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HB 92

January 19, 1981

Speaker of the House  
Alaska State Legislature  
Pouch V  
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Mr. Speaker:

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Kasilof  
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Kodiak  
McGrath  
Naknek  
Whittier  
Ninilchik  
Palmer  
Pilot Station  
Port Lions  
Seldovia  
Seward  
Soldotna  
Sutton  
Talkeetna  
Willow  
Wasilla  
Anchorage  
Unalaska

NORTHERN REGION

Anderson  
Cantwell  
Delta  
Eagle  
Elim  
Fairbanks  
Fort Yukon  
Kotzebue  
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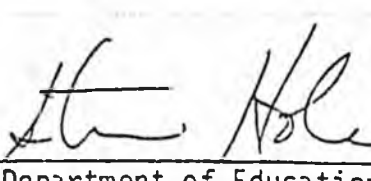
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IV. DATE 3/13/81 PREPARED BY  Steve Hole  
 AGENCY Department of Education  
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## AKLA LEGISLATIVE ACTION PLAN 1981

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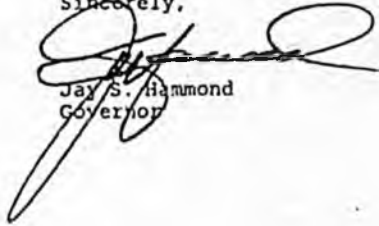
Funding for those local public libraries which provide services to state institutions, such as correction centers, pioneer homes, and juvenile homes.

HB 91 (Continued)

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Under the authority of art. 111, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to domestic violence, sexual assault, and adult crisis intervention programs. Though \$1.8 million dollars were appropriated from the general fund by the legislature last session for these programs, legislation establishing responsibilities in the area has yet to be enacted. This bill authorizes the Department of Health and Social Services to monitor domestic violence, sexual assault, and adult crisis intervention programs, to adopt regulations to protect persons using those services, and to award grants to local community programs.

Sincerely,



Jay S. Hammond  
Governor

HB 92

HOUSE BILL NO. 92 by the Rules Committee by request of the Governor, entitled:

"An Act relating to library assistance grants; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services and Finance Committees.

Fiscal note on HB 92 appears in House Journal Supplement No. 2.

The Governor's transmittal letter dated January 19, 1981 follows:

HB 92 (Continued)

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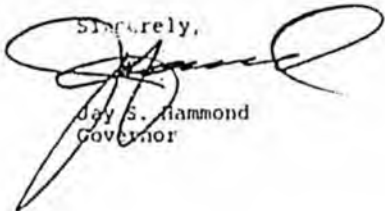
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HB 93

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Fiscal note on HB 93 appears in House Journal Supplement No. 2.

HB  
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IV. DATE 1/6/81 PREPARED BY H. J. [Signature] Steve Rife  
AGENCY Department of Education  
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Aleknagik	SMITH, Wayne E.	Medicine	Loma Linda University
Anchorage	HORSEMAN, Michael A.	Pharmacy	Washington State University
"	RHODE, Patrice I.	"	Oregon State University
"	LIGUS, Thomas	Medicine	University of Colorado Health Science Center
"	O'MALLEY, James E.	"	University of Nevada
"	SPRINGER, Carol Lynn	"	University of Oregon Health Science Center
"	JOSEPHSON, Karla Zander	Grad. Library	Univ. of Hawaii at Manoa
"	VAN DEN TOP, Jeraldine Jo	"	"
"	MICHIELSEN, Peggy A.	"	"
"	DURSI, Rita	"	University of Washington
"	RHODES, Elizabeth C.	"	"
"	PADEN, Anthony K.	Dentistry	University of the Pacific
"	CALDERWOOD, Dean W.	"	"
"	McBRATNEY, John B., Jr.	"	"
"	FELDMAN, Nicholas W.	"	"
"	WILLIAMS, Mark G.	"	"
"	GREGORY, Crystal E. B.	"	University of Oregon Health Science Center
"	KOROPP, Michael L.	"	"
"	BELL, Rebecca H.	"	University of Washington
"	CULBERTSON, James Lee	"	"
"	WOLF, Jeanne	Public Health	University of Washington
"	HAMRICK, Christina	"	"
"	LAHDENPERA, V. Kay	"	"
"	PALMATIER, Richard T.	Vet. Medicine	Colorado State University
"	DRAKE, Kelly E.	"	"
"	SCHULTZ, Julie Ann	"	Washington State University
"	PICCARD, Cheryl L.	Phys. Therapy	University of Washington
"	FERGUSON, Lynn Allyn	Occ. Therapy	University of Puget Sound
"	RILEY, Janet M.	"	"
"	BANCROFT, Edward	Optometry	Pacific University
"	BRINKERHOFF, Dennis R.	"	"
"	GRAVES, James C.	"	"
"	SCHULTZ, Gary J.	"	"
"	HARBUCK, Robert L., Jr.	Podiatry	CA Col. of Podiatric Medicine
"	LA ROSE, Carol F.	"	"
"	JONES, Cheryl M.	Forestry	Oregon State University
"	RYAN, Phyllis	"	Colorado State University
"	STERNQUIST, Greg L.	"	"
"	PASTRO, Anthony J.	"	University of Idaho
"	SIMPSON, Shirley Schumacher	Law	Arizona State University
"	LEE, Larry Dean	"	University of Denver
"	PETERSON, Mark A.	"	"
"	BAINES, Robert E.	"	University of Arizona
"	ATKINSON, Kathy L.	"	CA Western School of Law
"	BOLING, Michael R.	"	"
"	WALTHER, Byron D.	"	"

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<u>HOME</u>	<u>STUDENT</u>	<u>FIELD</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
Anchorage (cont.)	BRESSERS, Jacqueline R.	Law	CA Western School of Law
"	OSTROVSKY, Eric H.	"	Golden Gate University
"	O'LEARY, Elizabeth	"	"
"	RIEKSE, Meredith	"	Univ. of California, Berkeley
"	SHORT, Pamela Lynn	"	"
"	DODGE, Stephen M.	"	"
"	WICKS, Sandra J.	"	Univ. of California, Davis
"	YOUNG, Kristen M.	"	Univ. of California, Los Angeles
"	CASSITY, George K.	"	"
"	FORBERG, Carl E.	"	Pepperdine University
"	MARSHALL, John A.	"	"
"	GARDNER, Darrel J.	"	Univ. of California, Hastings
"	NELSON, Lisa B.	"	"
"	CALHOON, Francine M.	"	University of the Pacific
"	JANZEN, Thomas M.	"	"
"	SZENDER, James R.	"	"
"	WILMOTH, Michael	"	University of San Diego
"	GRAHAM, Rebecca E.	"	"
"	CARTER, John B.	"	University of Montana
"	VOLLERTSEN, Richard E.	"	University of San Francisco
"	BARCOTT, Patricia Ann	"	"
"	KYZER, Debra	"	University of Santa Clara
"	BABKA, Nancy A.	"	Lewis and Clark College
"	CLARK, David D.	"	"
"	OSTROVSKY, Lawrence Z.	"	"
"	BOUTIN, Roderick A.	"	"
"	MIKKO, Dagmar C.	"	"
"	PETERSON, Lawrence K.	"	"
"	HARTIG, Lawrence L.	"	"
"	CONGDON, Robert E.	"	Willamette University
"	LARSEN, Robert K.	"	"
"	LONGACRE, Roy L.	"	"
"	LATTO, Harrison S.	"	University of Oregon
"	THORSNESS, John B.	"	"
"	CONNOLLY, Susan M.	"	"
"	LEDERMAN, Sema Ester	"	"
"	DEVORE, Joel S.	"	"
"	SORENSEN, Susan M.	"	"
"	SLEEPER, Gary C.	"	"
"	WARD, Catherine R.	"	"
"	BURLESON, Donald C.	"	University of Puget Sound
"	RADER, Stuart C.	"	"
"	LEGACKI, Kenneth W.	"	"
"	BENNER, Joanne L.	"	"
"	JOYNER, James M.	"	"
"	LANDRY, Jeffrey D.	"	"
"	ACTON, Joseph W.	"	"
"	WIEDERHOLT, Jon E.	"	"
"	PREWITT, James F., Jr.	"	"

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ALASKA, Continued

HOME	STUDENT	FIELD	SCHOOL
Anchorage (cont.)	RICHMOND, James P.	Law	University of Puget Sound
"	SMITH, Bobby Dean	"	"
"	FORTIER, Samuel J.	"	Gonzaga University
"	McNEES, David N.	"	"
"	SWEENEY, Mary E.	"	"
"	HARTIG, Alan R.	"	"
"	YOUNGMUN, Gregory L.	"	"
"	LEWIS, Eben Thaddeus	"	University of Washington
"	MORRILL, Leslie A.	"	"
"	EASTMAN, Sharon L.	Grad. Nursing	Univ. of California, San Francis
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"	EIBEN, Carol J.	Architecture	University of Idaho
"	BURKHART, Blase Alan	"	University of Oregon
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"	KOWALCZEWSKI, Christina J.	Architecture	University of Washington
Big Lake	HEIKES, Trena Louise	Law	University of Denver
College	LEWANDOWSKI, Joseph J.	Grad. Library	University of California, Berkel
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"	BECONOVICH, Robert M.	"	University of the Pacific
"	WAGONER, Norman B.	"	University of Puget Sound
"	BERGDAHL, Patricia Anderson	Dentistry	University of Oregon, Health Science Center
"	SIMMONS, Diane E.	Vet. Medicine	Colorado State University
Delta Junction	KAUFMAN, John S.	Law	Gonzaga University
Dillingham	COMFORT, Geoffrey T.	Law	CA Western School of Law
Douglas	RILEY, Lionel M.	Law	Gonzaga University
"	WHISTLER, Bradley J.	Dentistry	University of Oregon
Eagle River	DEKREON, Gail	Law	Golden Gate University
"	LAMB, Timothy J.	"	Willamette University
"	KRACKER, Erica Z.	"	Gonzaga University
"	LATHROP, Gregory W.	Vet. Medicine	Washington State University
"	KRACKER, James V.	Law	Gonzaga University
Fairbanks	WAUGH, Kelly Jean	Phys. Therapy	Stanford University
"	PRATT, Millard T.	Architecture	University of Idaho
"	RHIAN, Ann	Law	Southwestern University
"	WINFREE, Daniel E.	"	University of California, Berkele
"	HOOD, Barbara J.	"	"
"	LESSMEIER, Gregory W.	"	University of Colorado, Boulder
"	ROBSON, Bonnie	"	University of California, Davis
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<u>HOME</u>	<u>STUDENT</u>	<u>FIELD</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
Fairbanks (cont.)	HEATH, Randall E.	Law	Lewis & Clark College
"	LYNCH, Ardith Anne	"	"
"	MORIN, Michael D.	"	CA Western School of Law
"	MULLEN, James M., Jr.	"	Pepperdine University
"	JOHANNSSEN, Richard M.	"	University of Washington
"	BEARDSLEY, Daniel W.	"	Gonzaga University
"	REECE, Joseph L.	"	"
"	TAYLOR, Warren Arthur, II	"	Willamette University
"	McKELVIE, Dennis E.	"	"
"	PEDERSON, Lawrence A.	"	"
"	PASKVAN, Joseph L.	"	University of Puget Sound
"	NELSON, Lance B.	"	"
"	PARRISH, Albert G.	"	"
"	THORGAARD, Susan E.	"	"
"	BOLVIN, Janet Lee	"	"
"	DAVIS, Donald S.	"	"
"	EGAN, Thomas E.	"	"
"	GOODMAN, Gari Wynne	"	"
"	GUMAER, A. Mark	"	Golden Gate University
"	BRAIN, Michael Andrew	"	University of Wyoming
"	D'INNOCENTE, Kim A.	"	University of San Francisco
"	BAZELWICH, Paul	Podiatry	CA Col. of Podiatric Medicine
"	MILLES, Christopher C.	Forestry	Oregon State University
"	FROL, Brian A.	Medicine	Univ. of Hawaii at Manoa
"	LEE, George	"	University of CA, San Francisco
"	GAL, Jo Ann	Public Health	University of Washington
"	HARTRICH, Thomas	"	"
"	McKENZIE, Elaine	"	"
"	ROGERS, Patricia, L.	"	"
"	NIELSEN, Carol A.	Vet. Medicine	Washington State University
"	WELSH, Thomas P.	"	Colorado State University
"	BARB, Linda S.	Grad. Library	Univ. of Hawaii at Manoa
Fort Richardson	SIMS, Edwin J.	Dentistry	University of the Pacific
Haines	HYDE, Wendy J.	Law	Willamette University
Homer	FRIEDMAN, Elliott	Law	University of California, Berkeley
Juneau	CHALMERS, A. C.	Public Health	University of Washington
"	GIBSON, Dylan J.	Dentistry	University of Oregon Health Science Center
"	McCORCLE, Patricia J.	Pharmacy	Oregon State University
"	DEMOCH, Robert A.	Law	University of San Francisco
"	BRUCE, Daniel G.	"	Gonzaga University
"	COLLINS, Patricia Ann	"	"
"	ELLIOTT, Michael B.	"	University of Puget Sound
"	HAUSMANN, Frank G., Jr.	"	"
"	UNDERHILL, Robert M.	"	University of San Francisco
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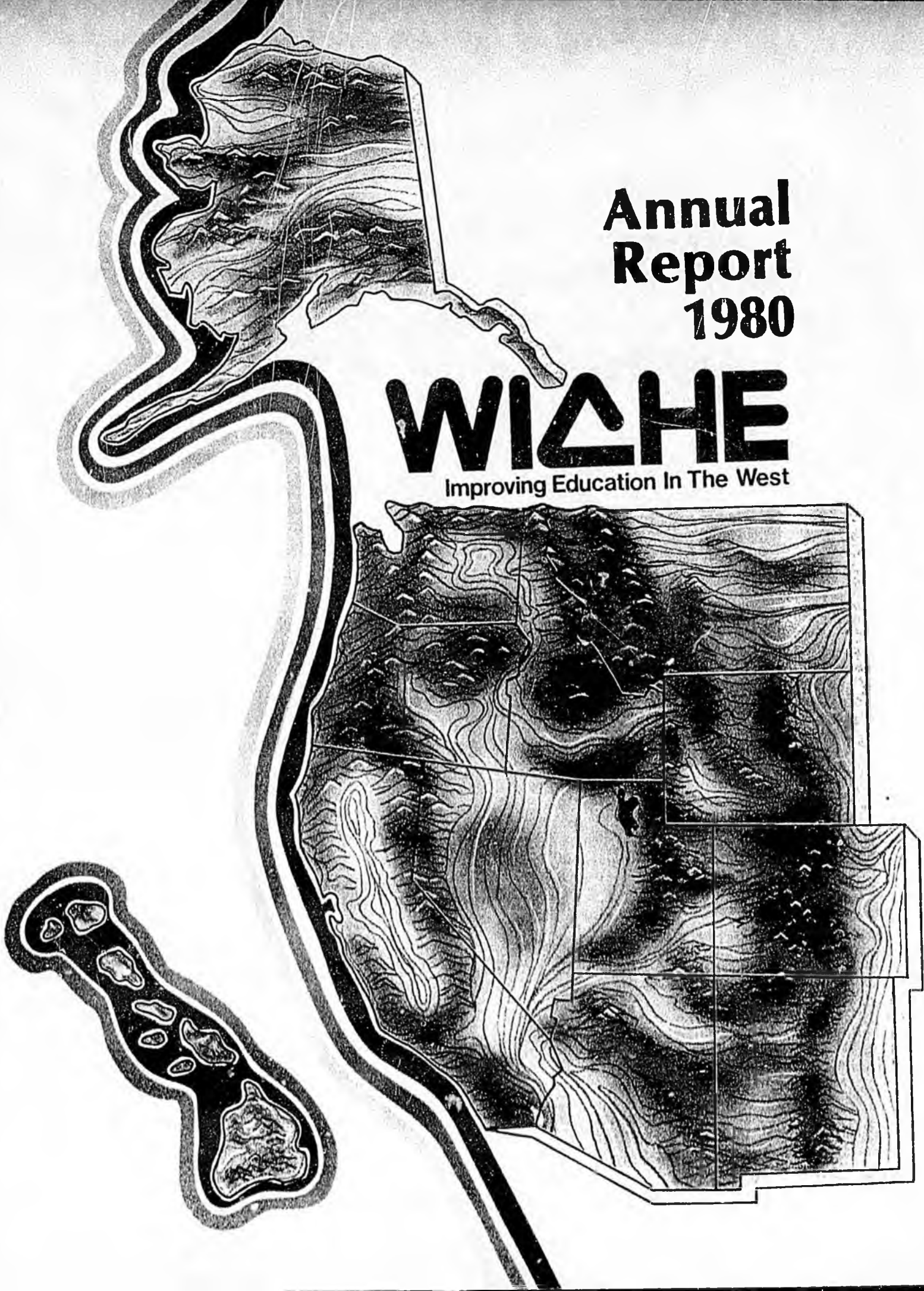
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"	GRAY, Glenn T.	Forestry	University of Washington
"	SANDERS, Nancy L. Williamson	Grad. Nursing	"
"	THORSTEINSON, Susan L.	Grad. Library	"
Kasilof	MORAN, Margaret E.	Law	University of Puget Sound
Kenai	HUHDORF, Mary E.	Vet. Medicine	Oregon State University
"	THOMPSON, Tucker S.	Law	Univ. of California, Berkeley
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"	THOMPSON, Collette Gayle	Law	University of San Francisco
"	BROWN, Katherine E.	Occ. Therapy	University of Puget Sound
"	WALKER, Donna Lynn	Law	Gonzaga University
"	PIERCE-BULGER, Marilyn K.	Grad. Nursing	University of Washington
Ketchikan	PIHL, Arne Robert	Dentistry	University of Oregon
"	KEYES, Christopher M.	Law	University of the Pacific
"	THOMPSON, Gayle L.	Grad. Library	University of Washington
"	MIKLOS, Barbara J.	Public Health	University of Colorado Health Science Center
Kodiak	CLARK, Marvin Howard, Jr.	Law	Gonzaga University
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"	COLE, Steve W.	"	University of Colorado, Boulder
"	IANI, L. John	"	University of Puget Sound
"	THOMSON, Paul H.	"	"
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Nome	BOCKMAN, Stuart F.	Law	Univ. of California, Berkeley
"	PELKEY, Christine Sue	"	University of Idaho
Palmer	ALLEN, Bonnie G.	Architecture	University of Idaho
"	BARTKO, Douglas G.	Pharmacy	University of Washington
"	KERTTULA, Elizabeth J.	Law	University of Santa Clara
"	COLBERG, Talis James	"	Pepperdine University
"	KLEPINGER, Michael R.	"	Lewis & Clark College
"	REAL, Jill A.	Grad. Nursing	Montana State University
"	TRAFFORD, Linda J.	Law	University of San Francisco
Petersburg	NATHAN, Joseph I.	Law	Southwestern University
"	WESTPHAL, Leslie Jo	"	University of Oregon
Seward	RICHARDSON, Rebecca E.	Pharmacy	University of Washington
Shegeluk	MORRISON, Woodrow F.	Law	University of New Mexico
Sitka	GORMAN, Mark C.	Public Health	Univ. of Hawaii at Manoa
"	PREWITT, Randall E.	Dentistry	Loma Linda University
"	BARNES, Mark J.	Law	Arizona State University

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HOME	STUDENT	FIELD	SCHOOL
Soldotna	HEIMBUCH, Karl E.	Law	Univ. of California, Hastings
Tok	PETERSON, Steven M.	Architecture	University of Oregon
Unalaska	SUTCLIFFE, Kathleen Marnik	Grad. Nursing	University of Washington
Valdez	WALKER, Donna P.	Law	University of Puget Sound
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Wrangell	MYERS, Jerry L.	Optometry	Southern CA Col. of Optometry

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**WICHE**  
Improving Education In The West



# This is WICHE

The Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) provides a regional forum to address issues in higher education and human services in the thirteen western states. Created in 1953 by Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming, WICHE operates on the basic principle that interstate and interinstitutional cooperation is an avenue to improving higher education and containing unnecessary costs.

## Mission and Goals

Guided by the Western Regional Education Compact that created it, WICHE's mission is to help the thirteen member states to work together to provide high-quality, cost-effective higher education programs that meet the manpower needs of the states and the education needs of their citizens. Within this general mission, three major goals have been identified:

- To improve access to higher education in the member states;
- To assist member states in preparing and main-

taining an adequate supply of technically and professionally educated personnel;

- To assist member states in increasing the effectiveness and efficiency of their higher educational programs and services and reducing unnecessary duplication.

## Leadership and Policy Setting

The member states guide WICHE and maintain program oversight through their Commissioners, three appointed by the governor of each state. These thirty-nine Commissioners (listed on following pages) are a cross-section of leaders from state government legislative and executive branches, presidents of universities, chief executives of state higher education systems and coordinating boards, other educators, and professional and private sector representatives.

The Commission sets policy for the organization and reviews and approves WICHE projects in line with organization goals and state needs. As part of the process, a long-range program and financial plan is revised annually and distributed to the WICHE "constituency" in each state.

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## Chairman's Message

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Dear Governors, Legislators, and Friends:

The Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) was established soon after World War II because the increased demand for higher education and the shortage of professional manpower rendered some of our western states unable to provide adequate student access within their own borders. For the past generation, WICHE has fulfilled its mission of helping the states to facilitate access to higher education and to meet professional manpower needs.

What I call an "institutional market" prevailed during that period, but the situation now is reversed so that we have a "student market" in which attention is turned from seeking new programs to seeking new students. The context has changed so that some professional fields are experiencing manpower surpluses and maldistribution of professional manpower at the same time.

A period of uncertainty faces higher education in much of the West, calling for more effective and efficient use of our higher education resources. Financial stringencies and resistance on the part of taxpayers are complicated by disparities in enrollment patterns and projections. The threat to the maintenance of quality education in such a restrictive environment is obvious.

### Highlights of 1980

In this changed atmosphere, WICHE seeks new opportunities for service. WICHE has found that cooperative ventures can flourish in today's environment, and points to several accomplishments and initiatives during the past year as evidence. During 1980, WICHE:

✓ Through its Student Exchange Program, assisted states to provide higher education opportunities to more than 1,300 students with the cooperation of 150 academic and professional programs in more than sixty private and public schools.

✓ Through its Graduate Education Project, addressed the issue of costly duplication by providing that several strong, high-quality graduate programs are designated to serve regional needs in the five-state Northwest area.

✓ Through its Information Clearinghouse, shared information and analysis on some critical higher education issues among decision makers in the thirteen states.

✓ In its optometric manpower project, received enthusiastic endorsement of a regionwide plan to meet the need to educate new optometrists in coming years.

✓ Through its Minority Education Program, assumed administration of a regional exchange by which western universities identify and recruit qualified minority group students into graduate education.

✓ In its Student Exchange Program, began adjusting interstate student exchange mechanisms to better serve the states and institutions in today's changed educational environment.

✓ In the mental health and other programs, assisted state planning for manpower needs.

✓ In its Economic Development Program, identified methods by which higher education can provide more meaningful public service, especially in relation to the economic growth of the West.

More complete details on 1980 activities are provided in the program summaries that follow in this Annual Report.

### Toward the Future

During the coming months, WICHE will explore ways to assist states to build on their existing program strengths as they deploy limited resources to meet needs in higher education and human services.

Some states in the region will experience declines in the number of traditional college age youths (18-21), while others expect large increases. WICHE seeks to serve all the states to balance growth patterns against declines and thus facilitate orderly adjustments in higher education systems.

In the current environment, policy makers need to look beyond state boundaries for cooperative arrangements to utilize the programs and facilities available in the entire region and to assure access for students who want and need quality education in a program that their home state might not be able to provide. Through its Student Exchange Program, WICHE stands ready to devise new mechanisms to accomplish wider access for the citizens of a given state, without major commitment of new resources.

Through its Information Clearinghouse, WICHE

stands ready to provide information critical to the complex planning decisions that must be made in this new environment.

In short, WICHE stands ready to pursue the greatest opportunity it has ever had to be of public service to the West. The WICHE of the past has proved its worth. The WICHE of today is in place at an opportune time to be refined and utilized for the future.

With a dedicated group of WICHE Commissioners

representing each state, an expert staff, and the guidance and counsel of government and higher education policy makers in the West, we are ready to move forward.



Donald B. Holbrook of Utah  
WICHE Chairman

## Introduction

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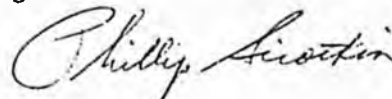
The theme for higher education in the 1980s may well be that of "excellence, equity, and efficiency." Higher education faces challenges to maintain high-quality programs while operating in the most cost-effective manner possible. At the same time, the need to provide access and quality education for underserved groups, such as minorities and women seeking professional opportunities, will be of increasing importance for the next decade.

Given the current diversity of growth patterns and financial strength of our western states, WICHE believes there is compelling need to join across state lines to plan soundly for the future of higher education. This planning effort will require strong linkages among various governmental and education policy makers, and WICHE's efforts will be directed toward involving all of those elements.

Other opportunities exist for WICHE to explore interstate sharing of programs for undergraduate

students as well as graduate and professional students, particularly since some western states will be experiencing significant growth in the number of college age youths while others will show some decline for the next few years.

For the past twenty-seven years, the western states have demonstrated through WICHE that interstate and interinstitutional cooperation can make a significant contribution to the greater excellence, equity, and efficiency in higher education. On behalf of those states, WICHE has successfully developed—and continues to develop—methods for the productive sharing of resources. WICHE looks forward to greater involvement in the future.



Phillip Sirotkin  
WICHE Executive Director

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## Student Exchange Program

As it has for more than a quarter century, WICHE's Student Exchange Program provides the means through which the western states help meet public need for professional manpower while assisting their residents to obtain desired education. Several techniques are used by WICHE to accomplish these goals, with the Professional Student Exchange Program (PSEP) the most prominent.

Through the PSEP, states may provide financial support on behalf of their residents in designated professional fields outside the home state. Students benefit through substantial tuition reductions at both public and private institutions. The states and region benefit because a pool of professional manpower is available without each state having to create duplicative and costly programs in all professional areas. WICHE is the interstate mechanism through which this combination of access and manpower development is promoted.

The PSEP has met the needs of approximately 3,850 professional school graduates since its inception in 1953. During academic 1980-81 the number of students involved increased modestly to a record 1,375, and total support fees exceeded \$10 million for the first time. Through WICHE's efforts, those support fees were adjusted downward for twenty-two students who are enrolled through the exchange program but concurrently receive federal scholar-

ships. This resulted in a net savings of about \$100,000 for nine states in the 1980-81 school year.

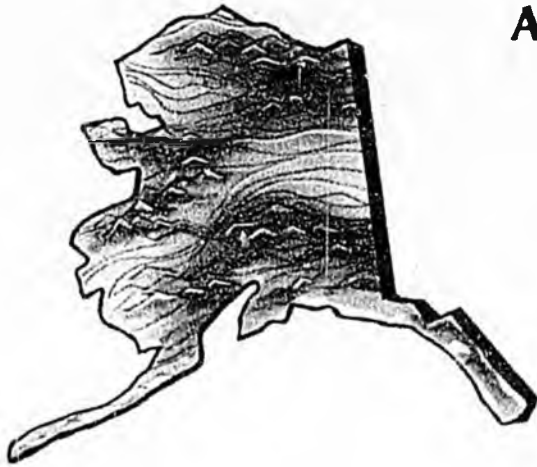
Through WICHE, 150 professional programs at fifty-seven institutions in the West are open to exchange students in architecture, dentistry, forestry, graduate library studies, graduate nursing education, maritime technology, law, medicine, occupational therapy, optometry, pharmacy, physical therapy, podiatry, public health, and veterinary medicine. The field of maritime technology was added to the program in 1980 and dental hygiene was deleted. In addition, WICHE assisted some western states in their arrangements to support students in osteopathy.

## The Future of Student Exchange

Demographic factors, changes in supply and demand for professional manpower, and severe fiscal constraints in many states have altered the environment in which higher education operates. In recognition of this, the WICHE Commission called for an in-depth study of its Student Exchange Program in 1980. Initial discussions by the Commission late in 1980 led to adjustment of its policies to provide that future support fees be subject to negotiations involving sending states, receiving schools, and WICHE rather than exclusively a reflection of the steadily rising cost of educating students. The Commission

## WICHE Commissioners

Listed below and on following pages are WICHE Commissioners appointed from each Compact state (as of January 1981).



### Alaska



Commissioner Sue S. Greene, Anchorage  
Commissioner Glenn Hackney, Fairbanks  
Commission Chairman-Elect Kerry D. Romesburg,  
Juneau, Executive Director, Alaska Commission on  
Postsecondary Education

also advocated WICHE's administration of arrangements in which western states might support professional students in out-of-region schools when adequate placements are unavailable within the West. Further examination of future alternatives for the program will continue in 1981.

With increasing numbers of older adults and part-time students enrolling, access across state lines for students who might commute is of increasing importance both for access and for the sake of efficient use of educational programs and facilities. Efforts to secure such access in particular localities were made by WICHE, and preparations for a new regionwide consideration of WICHE's Community College Exchange mechanism, now involving only three states, were started in 1980.

Other WICHE-sponsored student exchange mechanisms include seven schools of mineral engineering in as many states, graduate education programs in six states, and two states that now provide financial support to resident students in fields not available in their home state but not part of the PSEP.

Bill McConnell, Program Director, (303) 497-0210

### Graduate Education Project

WICHE's Project on Expanding Regional Cooperation in Graduate and Professional Education encourages a regional perspective in the planning of graduate education through two different approaches: sharing information about graduate trends and programs and initiating specific sharing arrangements among graduate institutions in five demonstration states—Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington.

The Graduate Education Project has published the first complete listing of doctoral programs in all western universities as well as a series of reports on trends in graduate enrollment, interstate student mobility, changes in fields of study, and the response of graduate departments in the humanities to declines in the academic market for Ph.D. recipients. These studies are designed to assist planners in recognizing the need for regional coordination of graduate study.

Efforts in the demonstration states have focused on a new cooperative activity among institutions in the Northwest to support unusual, high-quality graduate programs. Thirty-two Regional Graduate Programs have been chosen by a review committee from

among more than fifty nominated by graduate level institutions in Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington. Criteria for designation included uniqueness, quality, strength, willingness to give some degree of preference to the admission of students from the cooperating states, and willingness to charge students from those states at the resident tuition rate at public institutions or at a substantially reduced rate at private institutions. Regional Graduate Programs will be promoted through a special brochure, and students will be admitted beginning in fall 1981. It is believed this effort will serve as a model of voluntary cooperative planning among institutions and will result in more effective and efficient use of graduate level resources across the region.

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## Information Clearinghouse

The Information Clearinghouse, now in its second full year of operation, contributes to the excellence and effectiveness of higher education through prompt, accurate responses to inquiries regarding higher education in the West and the nation. The Clearinghouse continuously identifies critical policy issues in higher education and disseminates information and analyses appropriate to those concerns.

In 1980, the Clearinghouse inaugurated a series of reports presenting information on a range of issues. The first four reports dealt with administrative salaries; the employment of minority faculty, administrators, and other professionals in higher education; and the setting of tuition and fees at public colleges and universities. A forthcoming publication will update an earlier report on minority enrollment. The Clearinghouse also cosponsors a listing of faculty seeking to exchange positions in the West.

The Clearinghouse staff has been active at professional meetings and most recently reported on state policies regarding tuition and fees to a national gathering of state-level finance officers. In addition, the staff has worked closely with state-level academic program officers in the development of closer ties among the states. The Clearinghouse will assume many of the planning-related functions of the Graduate Education Project as ongoing Clearinghouse responsibilities.

Norm Kaufman, Clearinghouse Coordinator,  
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Commissioner Jones Osborn, Yuma  
State Senator



## California



Commission Vice-Chairman Patrick M. Callan,  
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secondary Education Commission

Commissioner John E. Canaday, Burbank  
Vice Chairman of the Board, Southern California  
Savings and Loan

Commissioner Richard G. Hovannisian, Los Angeles  
Professor, Department of History, University of  
California, Los Angeles



## Colorado Health Resources Program

In 1979, WICHE created its Health Resources Program with a focus on broad health issues, particularly relating to health manpower in the region.

One activity is aimed at increasing the flow of policy-relevant useable information to key health leaders at the state and local levels. Work toward this end in 1980 included interviewing key health leaders in Colorado and Wyoming to determine major health issues about which they need more information, summarizing existing research on some of those issues, and designing workshops to discuss them during 1981. The workshops will concentrate on some facets of long-term care and strategies to improve delivery of care to rural areas.

Another activity is preparation of an inventory of state-level health professional education and training programs that focus on rural health care, as well as the programs or organizations that oversee rural health in each western state. The inventory, to be published in 1981, will be distributed to legislators, higher education administrators, health department officials, and health planners concerned with providing rural health care.

A WICHE-developed plan to provide educational opportunity to optometry students while assisting the states to bring vision care to underserved populations received endorsement from state government officials, educators, and optometric associations during 1980. Steps were taken to create a Regional Council for Optometric Education to guide implementation of the phased, three-year plan, which was published and circulated nationwide by the Health Resources Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

In other efforts, initial steps are being taken to develop regional planning projects in other fields of health professions education.

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Executive Director, Western Governors' Policy Office

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Staff Assistant to U.S. Representative Ray Kogovsek

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Commissioner Sumie F. McCabe, Honolulu  
Graduate Division, University of Hawaii at Manoa

Commissioner Patricia Saiki, Honolulu  
State Senator

## Nursing Program

Recognizing the increasing importance of nurses in the health care system, WICHE's Nursing Program continues to seek excellence and efficiency of nursing education and health care in the region. Two major projects are underway to strengthen the abilities of nurses in both long-range planning and in the day-by-day delivery of health care.

One project is aimed at increasing the amount and kind of participation by nurses in health planning at state agency and health system agency levels. The goal is to ensure that needs for nursing personnel are appropriately included in health care plans. Through project efforts, nurses will increase their knowledge and skills necessary for increased participation in health planning; state groups will be assisted in developing nurse manpower plans; and selected documents generated by a previous WICHE project in the health care planning and educational areas will be updated.

Another project is designed to lead to improved patient care by assisting nurses to use research findings in developing nursing care in the psychiatric/mental health work settings. The first series of workshops, conducted in the fall 1980 for nurses and other mental health professionals from six western states, focused on research on assessing the potentially violent patient in health care settings. Another workshop in this series will have as its objective training nurses to conduct research utilization workshops in their own institutions. Identification of other important clinical issues in mental health nursing continues, with more research utilization workshops planned for 1981.

The Nursing Program demonstrated its longstanding concern in matters of equity in the nursing profession, the largest numerical segment of the health care system, by conducting a forum on critical issues in minority education in nursing and gathering and disseminating data on minority students and faculty in graduate programs.

In addition to project activities, WICHE's Nursing Program provides staff services to the Western Council on Higher Education for Nursing (WCHEN), a consortium of 170 collegiate schools of nursing in the West, and for the annual Communicating Nursing Research conferences. WCHEN serves an advisory role to WICHE in the vital field of nursing education.

The strength of WICHE's staff was underscored in 1980 when the director of its Nursing Program, Jo Eleanor Elliott, was selected to head the Division of Nursing, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, one of the leading positions in nursing in the country.

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Commissioner Richard D. Gibb, Moscow  
President, University of Idaho

Commissioner Martha D. Jones, Boise  
Physician

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Physician

Commissioner John A. Richardson, Helena  
Commissioner of Higher Education, Board of  
Regents of Higher Education

Commissioner William G. Thomas, Great Falls  
State Senator



## Nevada Mental Health and Human Services Program

WICHE's Mental Health and Human Services Program assists states to develop more efficient and effective programs by serving as a catalyst to find ways to pool state resources for the benefit of all and to conduct demonstration projects in mental health service areas.

WICHE's longstanding role in interstate mental health cooperation includes providing technical assistance and consultation; promotion of communication, collaboration, and joint effort; and serving as a neutral convener to bring together those with differing views to search for common solutions.

In one effort guided by state mental health manpower directors and supported by the National Institute of Mental Health, WICHE is assisting Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Utah, and Washington to field test previously devised methods of gathering, analyzing, sharing, and utilizing compatible mental health manpower management information. Other states in the region are being kept informed as these data elements are put into operation and results are examined.

WICHE completed a study of the process of transferring mental health technology from one state to another, specifically the advantages and problems of modifying a treatment outcome assessment methodology developed in Oregon for use in Colorado. The project, which had the active observance and evaluation of other WICHE states, contributed to a broad regional understanding of knowledge transfer, inter-governmental relations, and performance contracting associated with the problems of developing a statewide treatment outcome assessment program among the western states.

The Mental Health and Human Services Program published reports dealing with the treatment of persons who are chronically mentally ill and concerning mental health problems of ethnic minorities. In addition, WICHE coordinated attendance of twenty persons at an international meeting to discuss the human side of energy development and conducted a two-part management institute for mid-level managers of mental health centers.

Finally, groundwork was laid for appointment of advisory councils in mental health and criminal justice areas to assist WICHE in oversight, development, and constituent participation in those fields.

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Commissioner Patricia A. Geuder, Henderson  
Associate Professor of English, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Commissioner John M. Vergiels, Las Vegas  
State Assemblyman



## New Mexico



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President, University of New Mexico

Commissioner Lenton Malry, Albuquerque  
Bernalillo County Commissioner

Commissioner Alfonso E. Ortiz, Las Vegas  
Assistant Professor of Education, New Mexico Highlands University

## Minority Education Program

WICHE's goals of broadened educational access and equity of opportunity to acquire higher education are assisted by its Minority Education Program, organized under a new director in September 1979. Broad program goals are to: (1) develop regional programs that will help improve the access and retention of minority students in higher education, especially in academic areas where they have not been traditionally represented; (2) initiate various program strategies that will assist minority faculty, administrators, and researchers in their professional development; and (3) identify policy issues that affect minorities in higher education; open lines of communication and establish a network with the minority education community in the West; and research, analyze, and disseminate information on minorities in higher education.

One way that WICHE is working toward those goals is through administration of the Western Name Exchange, a consortium of twenty-seven western universities that seek to improve the access of minorities into graduate and professional schools by collecting and exchanging names of upper division minority students interested in graduate study.

The Minority Education Program sponsored a series of forums to explore issues in higher education that affect minorities in the West. Goals are to bring together professionals with varying points of view to discuss the issues and recommend changes that will accommodate the needs of minorities in higher education and provide policy makers with a better understanding of the problems minorities face. Forum topics in 1980 addressed bilingual training programs in higher education, the success of black institutions, service to minority students by rural and urban colleges, increased minority participation in engineering and scientific fields, and opportunities for minorities in the nursing profession.

Developmental plans are aimed at a research project designed to increase the involvement of minorities and women in educational research and development, creation of a fellows program for minorities working in higher education, training of higher education policy makers in bilingual education, and an expanded series of forums on critical issues in higher education affecting minorities.

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Commissioner Georgia A. Gratke, Roseburg

Commissioner Roy E. Lieuallen, Eugene Chancellor, Oregon State System of Higher Education

## Utah



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## Washington Intern Program



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One measure of the excellence and effectiveness of education is its application to the world of work. There is a growing awareness of the need to blend theoretical with practical education. One way to accomplish this is through internships in which students are provided valuable work experiences to complement their more formal education. WICHE has provided such opportunities since 1968 through its Intern Program, which has assisted 1,600 students to provide needed service to local sponsoring agencies and receive important career experiences related to academic training.

Through this program, students gain professional work experience and test their career interests, while sponsoring agencies secure talented and motivated manpower for short-term, locally designed projects in a wide variety of fields. During 1980, fifty-seven WICHE interns contributed in such fields as environmental planning, economics, rural health planning, business, and industrial and transportation planning.

In 1980, WICHE moved beyond stimulating internships into evaluating those experiences. Interns from several years ago participated in a WICHE study to assess the impact of their experiences on subsequent careers. Almost 90 percent reported the internships facilitated entrance into their current career field, assisting them in clarifying their future educational needs and in locating suitable employment after they completed school.

In order to assess the value of internships in more depth, WICHE is engaged in a project to survey the extent of such programs in the West, identify exemplary efforts in the field, and look for ways to evaluate and then improve existing programs.

In 1981, WICHE will continue efforts to provide internships in the fields of economic development, multicultural education, and rural health while proceeding with efforts to improve existing internship programs for the benefit of both sponsors and students in the region.

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## Wyoming



Commissioner Francis A. Barrett, Cheyenne Physician

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## Economic Development Program

Economic development issues are high on the agenda of policy makers in the West today. Energy development, the cumulative regionwide impact of major federal public works projects (such as the MX missile), urban growth management, water policy, the future vitality of agriculture and small business, international trade, shortages of trained manpower for rapidly growing industries like microelectronics and energy production—these and other complex issues have ramifications which cross state lines and must be addressed by public officials and private industry in seeking balanced, quality economic growth and development in the West.

Higher education has great potential as a resource to help meet these challenges if effective bridges can be built between academia and those in the economic development field.

In 1980, WICHE organized a major regional conference on economic development and higher education, with the cosponsorship of the Western Governors' Policy Office (WESTPO) and the Council of State Community Affairs Agencies (COSCAA). The conference convened over 100 representatives of state and local government, legislatures, regional organizations, federal agencies, business and industry, and higher education to identify issues, discuss barriers to more effective collaboration, and recommend directions for action to improve the effectiveness of higher education's contribution.

Work was begun in 1980 by WICHE's Economic Development Program, in cooperation with other multistate organizations, on projects to implement the conference's recommendations. One of the first tasks is to appraise the status of academic service to public and private agencies concerned with economic development in the region. In 1981, the program will be assessing more extensively the issues, needs, and concerns of economic development agencies and higher education institutions with respect to cooperation and collaboration. The program is compiling a resource directory of organized university programs that currently provide policy research, technical assistance, information, and similar technical services on subjects related to economic development. It also will gather and disseminate information on models for more effective resource sharing between higher education and the economic development field.

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## **WICHE Publications: Recent Selections\***

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### **Higher Education Planning**

- Tuition and Fees in Public Higher Education in the West: Practices, Trends, Policy Considerations, 2A77, \$4.00**
- Administrative Salaries at Colleges and Universities in the West 1979-80, 2A80, \$4.00**
- High School Graduates: Projections for the Fifty States, 2A59, \$4.00**
- Inventory of Doctoral Programs in the Western United States: June 1980, 2A71, \$6.00**
- Doctorate Mobility: Geographic Origins and Destinations of Doctorate Recipients in the West, 2A67, no charge**
- Postsecondary Education Program Review: Report of a WICHE-NCHEMS Workshop and Study, 2A58, \$3.00**
- Doctorate Production in the West, 1967-1977, 2A75, no charge**
- Productivity in Doctoral Education, available mid-1981**

### **Health and Human Services**

- Implementation of the Plan to Regionalize Optometric Education in the West, 2A76, no charge**
- Manpower Considerations in Providing Mental Health Services to Ethnic Minority Groups, 3B17, \$4.00**
- Communicating Nursing Research, Vol. 13: Directions for the 1980s, 2C116, \$10.00**
- Instruments for Use in Nursing Education Research, 2C110, \$15.00**
- Criminal Justice Education in the West: An Agenda for the Eighties, 3D24, \$2.00**
- A Synthesis of Research on Nursing Home Reimbursement, available mid-1981**
- A Synthesis of Research on Client Needs Assessment and Quality Assurance Programs in Long-Term Care, available mid-1981**
- Staffing Community Services for the Chronically Mentally Ill, available early 1981**
- Rural Health in the West: An Inventory of Education and Administration, available mid-1981**

### **Student Exchange**

- The WICHE Student Exchange Program: Academic Year 1980-81, 2A78, no charge**
- Your State Can Help You Obtain Professional Education, 2A70, no charge (information brochure on Professional Student Exchange Program)**
- Accept a Challenge in Mineral Engineering, 2A50, no charge (information brochure)**
- Increase Your Opportunities Through Exchange Programs in Three States, 2A64, no charge (information brochure on Community College Exchange Program)**
- Examination of the Student Exchange Program in Light of the Changing Environment, staff report, no charge**

### **Minorities**

- Representation of Minorities in Higher Education in the West, 2A57, \$3.00**
- Minority Employment in Western Higher Education: Faculty, Administrators, Professional Staff, 2A72, \$3.00**

### **Economic Development**

- Higher Education and Economic Development in the West: Report of a Regional Conference, 2B152, \$4.00**
- A Directory of Applied Research and Public Service Resources for Economic Development at Western Colleges and Universities, available spring 1981**

### **Intern Program**

- Internship Programs in the West, available early 1981**
- Casebook on Practice in Internship Education, available late 1981**
- Internship Program Evaluation System, available late 1981**

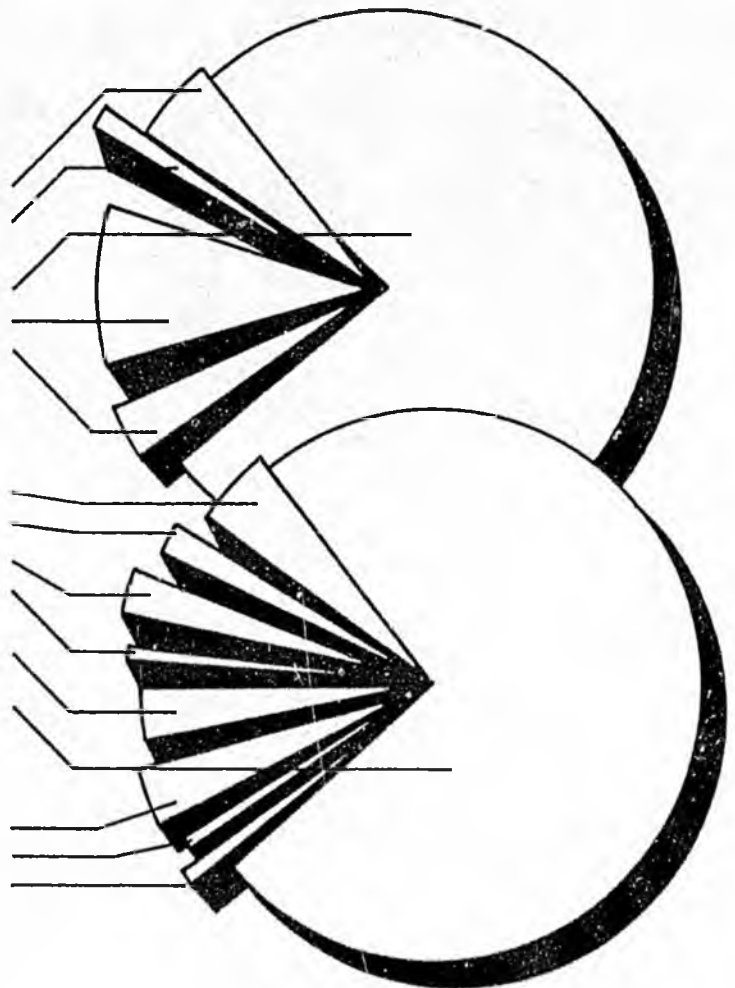
### **Periodicals**

- WICHE Reports, quarterly newsletter, no charge**
- Graduate Education Project Bulletin, bimonthly, no charge**
- WICHE Annual Report, no charge**
- WICHE Four-Year Program and Financial Plan, annual, no charge**

\* A more complete list of publications is available by contacting the Publications Office at WICHE.

# Summary of WICHE Cash Receipts and Disbursements

Cash Balance (July 1, 1979)	\$ 500,825
<b>INCOME (FY ended June 30, 1980)</b>	
Appropriations from States	\$ 549,500
State Mental Health Contributions	\$ 110,000
Student Exchange Program	
Support Fees from States	\$ 9,881,518
Grants and Contracts	\$ 1,056,621
Fees, Interest, and Other Income	\$ 319,345
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 11,916,984</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS<sup>1</sup></b>	
Administration and Basic Operations <sup>2</sup>	\$ 614,182
Nursing Program	\$ 196,470
Intern Program	\$ 316,319
Minority Education Program	\$ 44,607
Mental Health and Human Services Program	\$ 377,447
Student Exchange Support Payments to Schools	\$ 9,905,695
Student Exchange Program Management, Regional Optometric Education Project, and Graduate Education Project	\$ 368,878
Economic Development Program	\$ 43,982
Health Resources Program	\$ 73,303
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>\$ 11,940,883</b>
Cash Balance (June 30, 1980) <sup>3</sup>	\$ 476,926



1. Only direct cost expenditures are shown for program funds. Indirect costs are charged to programs in the internal accounting records, but they are not included in program expenditures on this statement because they are reflected in the WICHE administrative and basic operation expenditures.

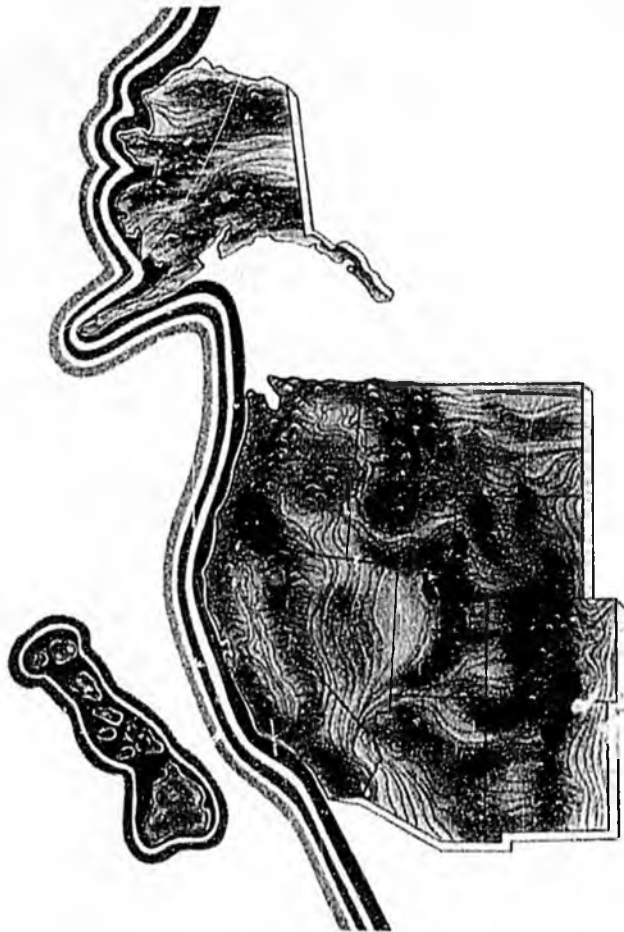
2. Includes the expense (net of payment received from NCHEMS for services provided under contract) of the Executive Director's Office, the Deputy Director's Office, Communications Office, WICHE publications and printing, Business Office,

Affirmative Action Office, Personnel Office, Library Services, and meetings of the Commission.

3. This balance represents advance payments on grants, a contingency balance, and an accrued vacation benefit reserve.

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