

STATE OF ALASKA 1984 LEGISLATIVE SESSION
FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date: _____

REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 687
 Title: Task force on fire prevention and control

FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected: Office of the Governor
 Program Category Affected: _____

Sponsor: House Finance Committee
 Requestor: House Finance Committee
 Date of Request: 2/21/84

BRU, Program or Subprogram(s) Affected: _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89
OPERATING						
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GENERAL FUND						
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POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
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SOURCE OF FUNDS TO OFFSET FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL:

ANALYSIS: ~~Attach a separate page for analysis.~~ Funding necessary to implement HB 687 is provided in HB 688.

Prepared By: Al Adams, Chair *ADA* Phone: 465-3706
 Division: House Finance Committee Date: 2/21/84

Approved by Commissioner: _____ Date: _____
 Agency: _____

Distribution (by Agency preparing fiscal note):

- Legislative Finance
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Introduced: 2/15/84
Referred: Finance

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

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HOUSE BILL NO. 687

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

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(7) a representative from the Office of the Governor who shall

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serve as chairman of the task force.

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2 established in sec. 1, ch. 157, SLA 1980, including to

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13 * Sec. 4. MEETINGS AND HEARINGS. The task force shall meet at the call
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15 state that are representative of its urban and rural fire protection prob-
16 lems.

17 * Sec. 5. COMPENSATION. The members of the task force 'serve without
18 compensation but are entitled to per diem and travel expenses authorized
19 for boards and commissions under AS 39.20.180.

20 * Sec. 6. DUTIES. The task force shall

21 (1) request and review information concerning the causes and
22 nature of fire losses in the state;

23 (2) study the activities of the various fire protection agencies
24 in the state;

25 (3) submit to the governor and the legislature its final report
26 making recommendations to improve fire prevention and control in the state,
27 identifying methods to implement the recommendations and to review the
28 progress of the implementation, and proposing legislation for
29 recommendations needing legislative action.

1 * Sec. 7. This Act is repealed 120 days after the effective date of
2 this Act.

3 * Sec. 8. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.-
4 10.070(c).

STATE OF ALASKA

THE LEGISLATURE

BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

AUDIT DIVISION
POUCH W — ALASKA OFFICE BUILDING

FINANCE DIVISION
POUCH WF — STATE CAPITOL

JUNEAU 99801

MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative Al Adams
Chairman
House Finance Committee

FROM: Jay Hogan
Director
Legislative Finance

DATE: February 22, 1982

SUBJECT: Other States and CS for SB 659 (Finance)

Several weeks ago we requested the legal definition of capital projects from each of the 11 western states. To date, we have received a response from 6 states and their definitions are set out as follows:

Arizona

"We have by custom referred to capital projects as Land, Buildings and Improvements."

Colorado

Capital construction and controlled maintenance are funded in the capital construction fund budget:

"(1) 'Capital construction' means:

(a) Purchase of land, regardless of the value thereof;

(b) Purchase, construction, or demolition of buildings or other physical facilities, including utilities or remodeling or renovation of existing buildings or other physical facilities, including utilities, to make physical changes necessitated by changes in the program, to meet standards required by applicable codes, to correct other conditions hazardous to the health and safety of persons which

are not covered by codes, to effect conservation of energy resources, to effect cost savings for staffing, operations, or maintenance of the facility, or to improve appearance where the cost will be fifteen thousand dollars or more, including the value of materials and labor, either state-supplied or supplied by contracts:

(c) Site improvement or development where the cost will be five thousand dollars or more, including the value of materials and labor either state-supplied or supplied by contract, but not including the value of inmate labor;

(d) Purchase and installation of the fixed and movable equipment necessary for the operation of new, remodeled, or renovated buildings and other physical facilities and for the conduct of programs initially housed therein upon completion of the new construction, remodeling, or renovation;

(e) Purchase of the services of architects, engineers, and other consultants to prepare plans, program documents, life-cycle cost studies, energy analyses, and other studies associated with any capital construction project and to supervise the construction or execution of such capital construction projects;

(f) Any item of instructional or scientific equipment if the cost will exceed fifty thousand dollars.

(2) 'Controlled maintenance' means work required to preserve or restore to their original condition, or to a condition such that they can be effectively used for their designated purposes, those existing state-owned buildings and other physical facilities funded from the general fund, including utilities, site improvements, and the like, which are suitable for retention and use for at least five years, and replacement and repair of the fixed equipment necessary for the operation of such facilities, when such work is not funded in the operating budget of a state agency and is to be accomplished by the agency's physical plant staff."

Hawaii
Hawaii Revised Statutes

"'Capital investment costs' means costs, beyond the research and development phase, associated with capital improvements, including the acquisition and development of land, the design and construction of new facilities, and the making of renovations or additions to existing facilities."

Idaho

A definition in use is: "building of needed structures, renovations, repairs to and remodeling of existing structures . . ."

Nevada

"The state Administrative Manual requires that state agencies submit all requests for new building construction or repairs or remodeling of existing buildings which are estimated to cost more than \$5,000 to the State Public Works Board."

Oregon

The following are used for budget purposes:

Capital Improvement - Expenditures related to construction or remodeling costs of physical facilities with a project cost of more than \$2,500, but less than \$100,000.

Capital Construction - Expenditures limited to construction or remodeling of physical facilities with a project cost of \$100,000 or more."

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SOURCE OF FUNDS TO OFFSET FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL:

ANALYSIS: Attach a separate page for analysis

Prepared By: Gordon Brunton Phone: 465-4331
 Division: Fire Prevention Date: 2-21-84

Approved by Commissioner: [Signature] Date: 2/21/84
 Agency: Public Safety

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12/1/83

March 29, 1983

The Honorable John Sackett
Alaska State Legislature
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Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Senator Sackett:

Per your request, the following is the definition of "capital project" that we have used as a guideline in the development of the Capital Budget.

CAPITAL PROJECT - An asset that has an anticipated life in excess of one year and a cost of \$25,000 or more, which produces recurring or long-lasting benefits to the public, and includes:

- (A) costs directly related to the acquisition or construction of the asset;
- (B) all costs of financing and carrying out the project; these include, but are not limited to, the costs of all necessary studies, surveys, plans and specifications, architectural, engineering or other special services, acquisition of real property, site preparation and development, purchase, construction, reconstruction and improvement of real property, and the acquisition of machinery and equipment that may be necessary in connection with the project; an allocable portion of the administrative expenses of the project;
- (C) major maintenance, repair, rehabilitation, or improvement of an asset that has an anticipated life in excess of one year.

Sincerely,

Eugene Dusek
Associate Director

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bcc: All Associate Directors

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Official Business

February 21, 1984

MEMORANDUM

TO: House Finance Committee Members
FROM: Al Adams, Chair **AAA**
SUBJ: HBs 687 & 688

You may recall that we heard SBs 80 and 81 regarding the task force on fire prevention and control last month. The bills were assigned to subcommittee for further review. Representative Grussendorf was appointed chair of the subcommittee.

The subcommittee suggested various changes be made to the bill. Because of the technical problem of not being able to change the titles of the Senate bills, the subcommittee's changes were incorporated into HBs 687 and 688. These bills are now before us today.

HB 687 reestablishes the task force and sets up its membership, objectives and duties. Basically, the task force is reestablished to complete the work begun in 1980. The task force is placed in the Office of the Governor. HB 688 appropriates \$20,000 to the Office of the Governor for completion of the task force's work. The task force ends and the appropriation lapses 120 days after going into effect since it is the subcommittee's feeling that the work can be completed in that time.

The bills have been developed in consultation with Senator Zeigler, the prime sponsor of the Senate bills. He concurs with the suggested changes.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

POSITION PAPER

HB 687 / 688
Support

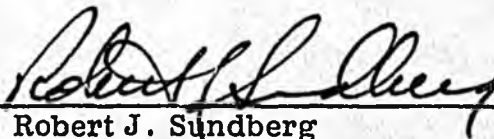
These bills will provide for completion of the work by Alaska's Task Force on Fire Prevention and Control, an effort begun in early 1981 and terminated in June, 1982.

This Administration and the fire service agree that the major recommendations identified by the original Task Force could be resolved in the time specified (120 days from the effective date) and with the \$20,000 allocation.

The reconstituted Task Force would:

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If passed these bills will negate the need to consider SB 80 & 81.



Robert J. Sundberg
Commissioner



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ALASKA STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

P.O. BOX 187

JUNEAU ALASKA 99802

HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Hearing on House Bills No. 687 and 688 "Task Force on Fire Prevention and Control".

Mr. Chairman:

My name is E. Robert Haag, representing the Alaska State Firefighters' Association and the Alaska Fire Chiefs' Association.

We wish to make a few comments in support of House Bills No. 687 and 688. Mr. Chairman, you and your committeemen will recall that we appeared before your Committee on January 26, 1984 supporting Senate Bills No. 80 and 81, which was an Act to amend Chapter 156, SLA 1980 to extend the life of the Task Force on Fire Prevention and Control. Senate Bills No. 80 and 81 were introduced on January 27, 1983 by Senator Ziegler at the request of our two associations.

During the January 26, 1984 hearing, the Commissioner of Public Safety interjected a new approach to complete the Task Force mission. His statement, while greatly different from our position, did present an approach to accomplish the desired end results and wisely you referred the matter to a sub-committee to be chaired by Representative Grussendorf.

Mr. Chairman, our two associations would like to complement Representative Grussendorf and his capable staff for the speedy and efficient manner in researching and drafting House Bills No. 687 and 688. We were pleased to work with them on this important matter.

While the House Bills do differ from the Senate Bills, we believe that the desired end results will be accomplished if all the provisions of House Bill No. 687 are carried out by the new Task Force.

We thank you, Mr. Chairman, and your committeemen for considering our request and respectfully ask for a "Do Pass" on these Bills so that they may pass the House and Senate before the end of this Session.

Introduced: 2/15/84
Referred: Finance

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2 this Act.

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HB 687 "An Act providing for a task force on fire prevention and control; and providing for an effective date."

HOUSE ACTION.

2-15-84 First Reading
Referred: Finance

2-27-84 Finance: DP07

2-28-84 Second Reading

2-28-84 Third Reading
Passed: 37-02-01

SENATE ACTION

2-29-84 First Reading
Referred: State Affairs, Finance

5-16-84 State Affairs referral waived by unanimous consent

FISCAL NOTE: ZERO

SUMMARY

HB 687 creates a task force on fire prevention and control within the Office of the Governor. The task force would consist of six members representing a cross-section of persons knowledgeable in the field, and one member of the Governor's Office.

The task force would have a complete life of 120 days.

The purpose of the task force would be (1) to provide information on the fire loss problem within the state, (2) to define relationships between agencies within the state involved in fire protection, (3) to recommend improvements to the state's fire protection system, and (4) to provide documentation to government for fire protection.

Members of the task force would serve without compensation, but would be entitled to per diem and travel expenses.

HB 687 has a ZERO fiscal note. HB 688 would appropriate \$20,000 for the task force, the unexpended or unobligated portion of which would lapse at the end of 120 days.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

POSITION PAPER

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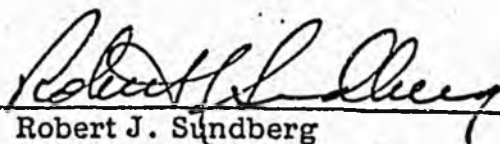
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Robert J. Sundberg
Commissioner

Position Paper Public Safety 2/21/82

Sec. 19. Sections 13 and 16 — 19 of this Act take effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.070(c).

Approved July 1, 1980
Effective Date: Sections 1—12, 14, and 15, July 1, 1980; sections 13, and 16—19, July 2, 1980 with section 13 retroactive to July 1, 1979

Editor's note. — Section 17 of this act provides that sections 1 — 12 of the act take effect on the first day of the fiscal year for which \$33,400,000 or more is appropriated and allowed by the governor for distribution to municipalities and other recipients under the provisions of sections 1 — 12 of this act or on July 1,

1983, whichever is earlier. A total of \$33,500,000 was appropriated for the programs for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1980. The appropriations were made in section 51, Chapter 120, SLA 1980, section 52, Chapter 120, SLA 1980, and section 6, Chapter 165, SLA 1980.

CHAPTER 157

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A TASK FORCE ON FIRE PREVENTION AND CONTROL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(CSHB 863 am)

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:

Section 1. TASK FORCE ON FIRE PREVENTION AND CONTROL. The Alaska Task Force on Fire Prevention and Control is established in the Department of Community and Regional Affairs.

Sec. 2. MEMBERSHIP. (a) The Alaska Task Force on Fire Prevention and Control consists of nine members appointed by the governor, without regard to political affiliation, to be selected as follows:

- (1) one member from the Alaska State Firefighters Association from a list of nominees provided by the association;
- (2) one member from the International Association of Firefighters from a list of nominees provided by the association;
- (3) one member from the Alaska Fire Chiefs Association from a list of nominees provided by the association;
- (4) one member representative of the insurance industry;
- (5) a contractor or architect licensed under AS 08.18;
- (6) a commissioner or executive officer of a regional native housing authority created under AS 18.55.996;
- (7) an educator from the state public school system;

- (8) one public
 - (9) one member
- a list of nominees
(b) There shall

Sec. 3. OBJECTIVES

- (1) identify and list the agencies in the state, including the local, regional and state agencies;
- (2) identify and list the agencies in the state, including the local, regional and state agencies;
- (3) recommend ways to improve the effectiveness of fire fighting and fire fighting responsibilities.

Sec. 4. CHAIRMAN AND TASK FORCE

Sec. 5. PROJECTS. The project investigator and the director of the project shall be the chairman, employee

Sec. 6. MEETINGS. The first meeting and the appointment of meetings shall be held in its urban and rural areas.

Sec. 7. COMMISSIONS. The commission shall be per diem and commissions.

Sec. 8. DUTY. The duty shall be:
(1) request information on the nature of fire
(2) hold public awareness
(3) study the state;
(4) submit recommendations for improvement.

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(8) one public member; and

(9) one member representative of the Alaska Municipal League from a list of nominees provided by the league.

(b) There shall be at least one member from each judicial district.

Sec. 3. OBJECTIVES. The objectives of the task force are to

(1) identify and provide a detailed account of the fire loss problem in the state, including causal factors;

(2) identify and define the present roles and relationships of the agencies in the state which are involved in fire protection activities at the local, regional, state and federal levels;

(3) recommend organizational or operational modifications to improve the effectiveness of the state's fire protection system;

(4) provide documentation that will assist all government agencies and fire fighting services in effectively meeting their fire protection responsibilities.

Sec. 4. CHAIRMAN. The members of the Task Force on Fire Prevention and Control shall elect a chairman from the membership of the task force.

Sec. 5. PROJECT DIRECTOR. The Task Force on Fire Prevention and Control shall hire an executive director to function as an impartial investigator and project director. The executive director shall be under the direction of the chairman and may, with the approval of the chairman, employ additional staff as necessary.

Sec. 6. MEETINGS AND HEARINGS. The Task Force on Fire Prevention and Control shall meet at least once every three months. The first meeting shall be held not later than 60 days following the appointment of the nine members to the task force. Public hearings and meetings shall be held in areas of the state that are representative of its urban and rural fire protection problems.

Sec. 7. COMPENSATION. The members of the Task Force on Fire Prevention and Control serve without compensation but are entitled to per diem and travel expenses authorized by law for boards and commissions.

Sec. 8. DUTIES. The Task Force on Fire Prevention and Control shall

(1) request and review information concerning the causes and nature of fire losses in the state;

(2) hold public hearings and meetings to determine the extent of public awareness of existing fire protection systems;

(3) study the activities of the various fire protection agencies in the state;

(4) submit an annual report with recommendations for the improvement of fire prevention and control in the state to the governor

and the legislature; the first annual report shall be submitted by January 1, 1982; and

(5) by January 1, 1983, submit to the governor and the legislature its final report which shall identify those interim report recommendations which have been implemented, evaluate the practical effects of the implementation of the recommendations, and make further recommendations on the improvement of fire prevention and control.

Sec. 9. This Act terminates on June 30, 1983.

Sec. 10. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.070(c).

Approved July 1, 1980
Effective July 2, 1980

CHAPTER 161

AN ACT CREATING THE ALASKA STATEHOOD COMMISSION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(FCCSHB 644)

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:

Section 1. Findings and purpose. The people of Alaska seek reasonable self-control of their lives, land and water, fish and wildlife, and trade and commerce. The legislature finds that the current relationship of the people of Alaska to the United States inhibits the achievement of that goal. The purpose of this Act is to study the status of the people of Alaska within the United States and to recommend appropriate changes to that status.

Sec. 2. Alaska Statehood Commission. The Alaska Statehood Commission is established to study the status of the people of Alaska within the United States and to consider and recommend appropriate changes in the relationship of the people of Alaska to the United States.

Sec. 3. Duties. The commission shall study, review, hold public hearings throughout the state, and report to the legislature and to the people of the state on

(1) progress made in implementing the Alaska Statehood Act and the likely nature of its implementation in the future;

(2) recent experiences of other states and peoples under the American flag in their relationships with the United States;

(3) the structure of changing forms

(4) alternative forms of Alaska and the

(5) the legal basis for Alaska and the constitutions of

(6) other matters

Sec. 4. Convocation. The commission shall meet until a call is made.

(b) The call is for the convening of the commission and the duties or powers of the commission.

Sec. 5. Membership. The commission shall have 11 members appointed by the governor.

(b) Five members shall be appointed by the governor.

(c) Two members shall be appointed by the legislature. Two members shall be appointed by the representatives, council, and the judiciary.

(d) The president of the commission shall be appointed by the legislature.

Sec. 6. Term. The commission shall meet the day following the commission's recommendation.

Sec. 7. Vacancies. The commission shall fill any vacancies by appointment.

Sec. 8. Powers. The commission shall have the power to subpoena legal, and other witnesses and to require the production of records and services.

(b) Members of the commission shall be entitled to expense reimbursement.

(c) Agencies shall be required to provide information requested by the commission.

Sec. 9. Report. The commission shall submit its report to the legislature within the first 10 days of the session.

(b) The commission shall hold public hearings on the report.