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STATE OF ALASKA 1984 LEGISLATIVE SESSION  
FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date

**REQUEST**

Bill/Resolution No: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: Attachment of pension benefits  
for debts owed to the state  
 Sponsor: Governor  
 Requestor: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Request: \_\_\_\_\_

**FISCAL DETAIL**

Agency Affected: Revenue  
 Program Category Affected: Management  
and Collections  
 BRU, Program of Subprogram(s) Affected:  
Enforcement

**EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)**

	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89
<b>OPERATING</b>						
100 PERSONAL SERVICES	-	-	-	-	-	-
200 TRAVEL	-	-	-	-	-	-
300 CONTRACTUAL	-	-	-	-	-	-
400 SUPPLIES	-	-	-	-	-	-
500 EQUIPMENT	-	-	-	-	-	-
600 LANDS & STRUCTURES	-	-	-	-	-	-
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS	-	-	-	-	-	-
800 MISCELLANEOUS	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>CAPITAL</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>REVENUE</b>	-	10.0	10.0	-	-	-

**FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)**

GENERAL FUND	-	-	-	-	-	-
FEDERAL FUNDS	-	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-

**POSITIONS:**

FULL-TIME	-	-	-	-	-	-
PART-TIME	-	-	-	-	-	-
TEMPORARY	-	-	-	-	-	-

**SOURCE OF FUNDS TO OFFSET FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL:**

No increased expenditures are anticipated.

**ANALYSIS:** Please see attached page for analysis.

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Date: January 5, 1983

Approved by Commissioner: Robert D. Heath  
 Agency: Revenue

Date: 11/9/84

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#### IV. ANALYSIS

##### A. Assumptions

1. There are no new taxes introduced over the next five years.

##### B. Program Summary

This bill requires no significant program changes.

##### C. Computations

Currently there are only two delinquent tax accounts which would be impacted by this legislation resulting in approximately \$20 thousand in collections.

##### D. Economic Impact

This bill has no significant impact on the State's economy.

##### E. Impact on Local Governments

This bill has no impact on local governments.

##### F. Other Attachments

See attached discussion on the impact of this bill on the Enforcement Division.

Impact of the Ability to Attach Pensions  
for Collections of Debts Owed to the State

Although the current expected revenue is small, the collection tool provided by this amendment is likely to prove quite valuable. It will allow attachment of pension payments to satisfy debts owed to the State, while providing some protection to the person receiving the pension. Currently we have pensions being collected by persons with outstanding tax liabilities and we have no other practical means of collecting the debt. Any tool which expedites collection of outstanding tax debts (while still affording reasonable protection to the taxpayer) will enable us to increase collections and allow us to focus our efforts on other outstanding liabilities. In addition, if a personal income tax was reestablished sometime in the future, the impact on our collection efforts would likely be even more substantial.

BILL SHEFFIELD  
GOVERNOR



STATE OF ALASKA  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
JUNEAU

January 23, 1984

The Honorable Jalmar Kerttula  
President of the Senate  
Pouch V  
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Senator Kerttula:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the voluntary assignment and the attachment of pensions for debts owed to the state.

Current law prohibits any voluntary assignment or attachment of pension benefits held by the state for the Public Employees' Retirement System and the Teachers' Retirement System. This bill would amend those statutes to permit voluntary assignment and to allow the state to attach up to 50 per cent of those pension benefits of a person who owes an obligation to the state. While the bill retains the general protection of pension funds, it removes the absurdity and inequity of the state continuing to pay out money to a person who owes money to the state.

Sincerely,

  
Bill Sheffield  
Governor