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SENATE RESOURCES COMMITTEE
LEGISLATION CHECKLIST

IDENTIFICATION:

BILL NUMBER: *SB 338*

BILL NAME: *appropriation for Delta jct. Bison Range and construction of a bison herd drift barrier.*

SPONSOR(S): *Moss*

DATE INTRODUCED: *1-9-84*

REFERRALS: *Resources
Finance*

RELATED BILLS PENDING:

*SB 337 - companion bill
HB 552 - Schultz
4/30/84 - Res. & Sen.*

INITIAL RESEARCH:

BILL SUMMARY COMPLETED:

SPONSOR CONTACTED FOR
BACKUP MATERIALS:

AGENCY RESPONSE:

SUMMARY BY LEGAL DIVISION:

DEPT. OF LAW SUMMARY:

FISCAL NOTE:

OTHER INTERESTED SENATORS OR
REPS. NOTIFIED:

BACKGROUND RESEARCH:

SIMILAR BILLS INTRODUCED IN PREVIOUS LEGISLATURES:

RESPONSES FROM INTERESTED PERSONS/GROUPS:

OTHER STATE OR FEDERAL PRECEDENTS, REGULATIONS, LAWS:

HEARING PREPARATION:

CHAIRMAN BRIEFED:

STAFF MEMO TO COMMITTEE:

BACKGROUND MATERIAL DISTRIBUTED:

LIST OF WITNESSES:

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PSA/PRESS RELEASE:

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SENATE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

MEMORANDUM

February 1, 1984

RE: Senate Bills 335, 337 & 338

To: Senator Bettye Fahrenkamp, Chairman
Senate Resources Committee

From: Senator H. Pappy Moss, Chairman
Senate Special Agriculture Committee

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "H. Pappy Moss", written over the "From:" line of the memorandum.

I would like to formally request that Senate Bills 335, 337 & 338 be placed on the Senate Resources Committee Calendar.

An amendment to Senate Bill 335, providing for an Alaska Grain Reserve account in the Agriculture Revolving Loan Fund for the continuation of the Grain Reserve program, will be submitted to the Resources Committee for consideration.

Senate Bills 337 & 338, the bison range/barrier bill and its appropriation bill are the subject of much interest and concern to the people of Delta.

I would like to see these three bills before the Committee as soon as possible.

Introduced: 1/9/84
Referred: Resources and Finance

Funding Information
General Fund \$2,090,000
Other Funds -0-
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SENATE BILL NO. 338

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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For an Act entitled: "An Act making special appropriations for development of the Delta Junction bison range and construction of a bison herd drift barrier; and providing for an effective date."

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22 * Sec. 4. Subject to AS 37.25.020, the sum of \$60,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Natural Resources, division of forestry, for the administration of timber sales on the Delta Junction bison range and fire suppression activities associated with required burning on the range.

27 * Sec. 5. This Act takes effect July 1, 1984.

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SENATE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE Senator H. Pappy Moss, Chairman

SENATE BILL 337/338

February 17, 1984

- Senate Bill 337: "An Act relating to the Delta Junction bison range; and providing for an effective date."
- Senate Bill 338: "An Act making special appropriations for development of the Delta Junction bison range and construction of a bison herd drift barrier; and providing for an effective date."

Ever since agriculture was introduced into the Delta area there has been a conflict between the bison and the farmers. Senate Bills 337 and 338 are introduced to offer a lasting solution to the problems created by bison getting hungry at the same time that the farmers' crops are ripening in the fields.

These two bills would provide for the development of an alternative feeding area to the agricultural developments for the bison's fall and winter range. In addition to providing for forage for bison, SB 337 and 338 would provide for the construction of a bison drift barrier to aid in keeping the bison herd from drifting into the agricultural fields. These bills also provide for timber sales on the range, expansion of tourist facilities, and the creation of a Bison Range Advisory Committee.

ORIGINAL SENATE BILL

LOCATION IN HOUSE BILL

ORIGINAL SENATE BILL	LOCATION IN HOUSE BILL
Senate Bill 338	House Bill 552
Sec.1. \$1,750,000 for completion of the development of the Bison Range.	Sec.1. \$1,544,000 for same purpose. Drops \$206,000 for project administration, OK'd by F&G.
Sec.2. \$10,000 for tourist facilities	Dropped, F&G states it is treated in Section 1.
Sec.3. \$270,000 for construction of the drift barrier	Dropped, funded in SB 94
Sec.4. \$60,000 for timber sales and fire suppression	Sec.2. \$60,000 for timber sales and fire suppression
Sec.5. Effective date, July 1, 1984	Sec.3. Effective date, July 1, 1984

SB 338 - APPROPRIATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE DELTA JUNCTION BISON
RANGE AND CONSTRUCTION OF A BISON HERD DRIFT BARRIER.

SPONSORED BY MOSS.

APPROPRIATES FOR COMPLETION OF BISON RANGE DEVELOPMENT,
TOURIST VIEWING FACILITIES,
BISON DRIFT BARRIER,
ADMINISTRATION OF TIMBER SALES ON THE RANGE.

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Conforms with the change made by
Resources to SB 337 - that the
drift barrier will be on the
northern boundary of the bison
range.

Introduced: 1/9/84
Referred: Resources and Finance

Funding Information
General Fund \$2,090,000
Other Funds -0-
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(c) All public buildings accepted under the provisions of AS 37.20.010 and 37.20.020 are subject to the jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities. (§§ 3 — 5 ch 176 SLA 1959).

Opinions of Attorney General. — The Department of Administration has primary jurisdiction over the disposal of all chattels owned by the state or any other property which may conveniently be handled separately from the land, without regard to whether it is located on lands under the jurisdiction of the Department of

Public Works (now Department of Transportation and Public Facilities) or the Department of Natural Resources, except that in the case of buildings, the ordinary fixtures of the buildings will follow the jurisdiction of the buildings. 1961 Op. Att'y Gen., No. 9.

Sec. 37.20.040. Alaska Native Fund. The amount required by federal law to be paid into the Alaska Native Fund established by F. L. 92-203 is not revenue of the state, except for the purpose of calculating the amount to be placed in the Alaska Permanent Fund, and shall be paid by the commissioner of revenue to the Alaska Native Fund directly on receipt. (§ 1 ch 107 SLA 1977)

Chapter 25. Miscellaneous Provisions.

Section.	Section
10. Unexpended balances of one-year appropriations	30. Appropriations for projects of the Alaska energy center
20. Unexpended balances of appropriation for capital projects	

Opinions of attorney general. — The provisions of AS 37.25.010 and 37.25.020 regarding unexpended balances of appropriations are applicable to the University of Alaska. February 28, 1977, Op. Att'y Gen.

There is no constitutional obstacle to making the University of Alaska subject to the provisions contained in this title. February 28, 1977, Op. Att'y Gen.

Sec. 37.25.010. Unexpended balances of one-year appropriations. (a) The unexpended balance of a one-year appropriation authorized in an appropriation bill lapses on June 30 of the fiscal year for which appropriated. However, a valid obligation (encumbrance) existing on June 30 is automatically reappropriated for the fiscal year beginning on the succeeding July 1 if it is recorded with the Department of Administration by August 31 of the succeeding fiscal year.

(b) An indebtedness arising from a prior year for which the appropriation has lapsed shall be paid from the current year's appropriations, if (1) this expenditure does not exceed the balance lapsed; and (2) the original obligation date is not more than two years from the requested date of disbursement. (§ 1 ch 113 SLA 1962)

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Sec. 37.25.020. Unexpended balances of appropriation for capital projects. An appropriation made for a capital project is valid for the life of the project and the unexpended balance shall be carried forward to subsequent fiscal years. Between July 1 and August 31 of each fiscal year, a statement supporting the amount of the unexpended balance required to complete the projects for which the initial appropriation was made and the amount that may be lapsed shall be recorded with the Department of Administration. (§ 2 ch 113 SLA 1962)

Sec. 37.25.030. Appropriations for projects of the Alaska energy center. An appropriation to the Alaska Energy Center for a research, development, or demonstration project under AS 46.12.120(2) is valid for the duration of the project and the unexpended balance for the project shall be carried forward to subsequent fiscal years. (§ 6 ch 148 SLA 1980)

Chapter 30. Local Government Bonding.

Section

100. Prohibited bidding on bonds

Secs. 37.30.010 — 37.30.090. Anticipatory borrowing. [Repealed, § 1 ch 118 SLA 1972.]

Sec. 37.30.100. Prohibited bidding on bonds. (a) No person who provides financial programming or marketing assistance to a political subdivision of the state, whether home rule or otherwise, in connection with the issuance or sale of general obligation bonds, revenue bonds or bond anticipation notes of the political subdivision may bid on the bonds or notes if offered at public sale, or negotiate for their purchase if sold at private sale.

(b) The sale of general obligation, revenue bonds or bond anticipation notes of a political subdivision to a person prohibited from bidding on, or negotiating for the sale of bonds or notes under (a) of this section is against public policy and the sale is void.

(c) In this section "person" means an individual, firm, agent, factor, intermediary, partnership, corporation, association, bond house, stockbroker or bond broker. (§ 2 ch 102 SLA 1974)

ranking applications shall include facility need and suitability, public support for construction or development and maintenance of a facility, availability of land, management capacity, alternatives to completion of the facility proposed, redevelopment or rehabilitation of a structure qualifying as an historic property or a building of historic value which is part of an historic district, and cost;

(2) by application of the criteria adopted under (1) of this section, advise the commissioner of commerce and economic development regarding the approval of requests for financial assistance in the construction of cultural facilities submitted in accordance with AS 43.18.500;

(3) at the request of a municipality, provide assistance in the preparation of an assessment of needs and review proposals and plan for construction or development of a cultural facility, for which financial assistance is requested under AS 43.18.500; and

(4) submit an annual report to the commissioner of commerce and economic development and the legislature summarizing its activities and expenses. (§ 3 ch 62 SLA 1979)

Article 10. Alaska Agricultural Action Council.

Section

- 450. Creation of council
- 455. Compensation of members
- 460. Meetings
- 465. Quorum

Section

- 470. Powers and duties of the council
- 475. Agricultural development projects
- 500. Definitions

Termination date. — Section 4, ch. 75, SLA 1979, provides that this article terminates July 1, 1984.

Sec. 44.33.450. Creation of council. (a) There is established in the Department of Commerce and Economic Development the Alaska Agricultural Action Council. The council is composed of five members appointed by the governor. The chairman of the council is to be designated by the governor from among the members.

(b) The council may invite representatives from the United States Soil Conservation Service, the United States Forest Service, or from other federal agencies to participate in the deliberations of the council in an advisory capacity.

(c) The term of a member of the council is four years. Vacancies are filled in the same manner as original appointments, but a member appointed to fill a vacancy serves for the unexpired term of the member he succeeds. (§ 1 ch 75 SLA 1979)

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Editor's note. — Section 2, ch. 75, SLA 1979, terminating July 1, 1984, provides: "Notwithstanding the terms of office specified for members of the Alaska Agricultural Action Council in AS 44.33.450(c), enacted in sec. 1 of this Act, the terms of the first appointees shall be one member serving a term ending June 30, 1980, one member serving a term ending June 30, 1981, one member serving a term ending June 30, 1982, one member

serving a term ending June 30, 1983, and one member serving a term ending June 30, 1984."

Section 4 of ch. 75 provides that this article terminates July 1, 1984.

Legislative history report. — For adoption of the Free Conference Committee letter of intent on Senate Bill No. 14 (ch. 75, SLA 1979), see 1979 Senate Journal, p. 1138; 1979 House Journal, p. 1373.

Sec. 44.33.455. Compensation of members. (a) Members of the council who are not state officers or employees are entitled to per diem and travel expenses provided for boards and commissions under AS 39.20.

(b) State officers or employees appointed as members of the council serve without compensation but are entitled to receive per diem and travel expenses from council funds. (§ 1 ch 75 SLA 1979)

Editor's note. — Section 4 of ch. 75 provides that this article terminates July 1, 1984.

Sec. 44.33.460. Meetings. The council shall schedule regular meetings during the year, and may hold special meetings upon the call of the chairman or four members of the council. (§ 1 ch 75 SLA 1979)

Editor's note. — Section 4 of ch. 75 provides that this article terminates July 1, 1984.

Sec. 44.33.465. Quorum. Three members of the council constitute a quorum. An affirmative vote of at least three members is necessary to approve any action of the council. (§ 1 ch 75 SLA 1979)

Editor's note. — Section 4 of ch. 75 provides that this article terminates July 1, 1984.

Sec. 44.33.470. Powers and duties of the council. (a) The council has the power to

(1) adopt and amend bylaws for the management and regulation of its affairs; and

(2) maintain an office at any place or places in the state.

(b) The council has the duty to

(1) hold public hearings in areas of the state considered for agricultural development;

(2) evaluate the need for farm conservation plans for land under agricultural production in the state;

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Committee on Resources

TO: Senate Resources Committee Members
FROM: Senate Resources Committee Staff
RE: SB 338, An Act making special appropriations for the development of the Delta Junction bison range and construction of a bison herd drift barrier
DATE: February 22, 1984

SB 338 would appropriate \$1.75 million from the General Fund to the Department of Fish and Game for completion of the Delta Junction bison range development program:

Clearing	\$438,000
Berm Removal	92,400
Forage Planting	616,000
Prescribed Burning	110,000
Roads and Trails	5,000
Bison Viewing Facilities	5,000
Planting and Maintenance Equipment	135,000
Storage Barn	100,000
Water and Sewer Development	20,000
Forest Openings	13,000
Project Administration	206,000
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$1,750,000</u>

To date, \$292,000 has been spent on the program:

FY 79	\$7,300
FY 80	20,000
FY 81	50,400
FY 82	10,300
FY 83	184,000
FY 84	50,000
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$292,000</u>

Approximately 600 acres have been cleared to date. Half of that was planted for bison use by July 1983.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Bettye Fahrenkamp, Chair
Senate Resources Committee

FROM: Representative Dick Shultz, Co-Chair *DS*
House Resources Committee

DATE: March 30, 1984

RE: HCR 51/HB 552

This is to request you to waive out of committee HCR 51 and HB 552.

SB 337 that you passed out of committee is identical, in part, to HCR 51. In my discussion with Senator Moss we are in concurrence that we will use HCR 51 as the vehicle to establish the Ad Hoc Committee and will take that part out of his bill. A CS for SB 337 can then be offered by the Finance Committee to reflect the increase in bison fees and timber sales. I am presently holding my bill, HB 551, in House Rules pending passage of CSSB 337. I can then kill my bill and use Pappy's as the vehicle for raising the bison fees and providing for timber sales.

HB 552 and SB 338 (which you have passed from your committee) are the same appropriation bill. By waiving HB 552 out of your committee we can then use it as the appropriation vehicle to expand the bison range.

Consideration of this request would be most appreciated.

cc: Senator Pappy Moss

*Senator Pappy Moss
HB 552
March 31, 1984*

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Bettye Fahrenkamp, Chair
Senate Resources Committee

FROM: Representative Dick Shultz, Co-Chair
House Resources Committee

DATE: March 29, 1984

RE: Scheduling of House Bills

This is to request the scheduling of the following bills as soon as possible:

HB 542 "Re/Leasing land for refuse disposal"
HB 552 "Spec approp/Delta Jct. Bison Drift Barrier"
HB 553 "Amend Alaska Grain Reserve Program"
HCR 51 RE/Appoint Delta Jct. Bison Range Advisory Board

Consideration of this request would be most appreciated.

MAR 30 1984

Delta Farmer gets Jail Term and Fine for Killing Three Bison

Delta Junction Ag Project 1 farmer, Earl Mitchell, was ordered to spend 45 days in jail and pay a \$3,000 fine after being convicted of killing three bison last fall in his fields.

The sentence was imposed by District Court Judge H.E. Crutchfield. In his remarks at sentencing, the judge criticized the state government for failing to properly plan for the inevitable conflict between the bison and farmers on the Delta

ag projects.

Mitchell claimed he shot the animals in defense of life or property, claiming as other farmers in the area have, that the bison were trampling, thereby destroying, his hay.

Neil Schenk, Delta dairyman and President of the local chapter of the Alaska Farmers/Stockgrowers Association, acknowledged the severity of the bison problem for farmers. "There's no doubt that

something has to be done, and soon. We have a bison bill, number SB338, pending in Juneau now. Several farmers, including myself, helped put it together. If it passes we believe it will go a long way to solving the problem," Schenk said.

Crutchfield sentenced Mitchell to 180 days in jail and a \$1000 fine for each animal, but reduced the jail time to 45 days. At last report, Mitchell was considering appealing the case.

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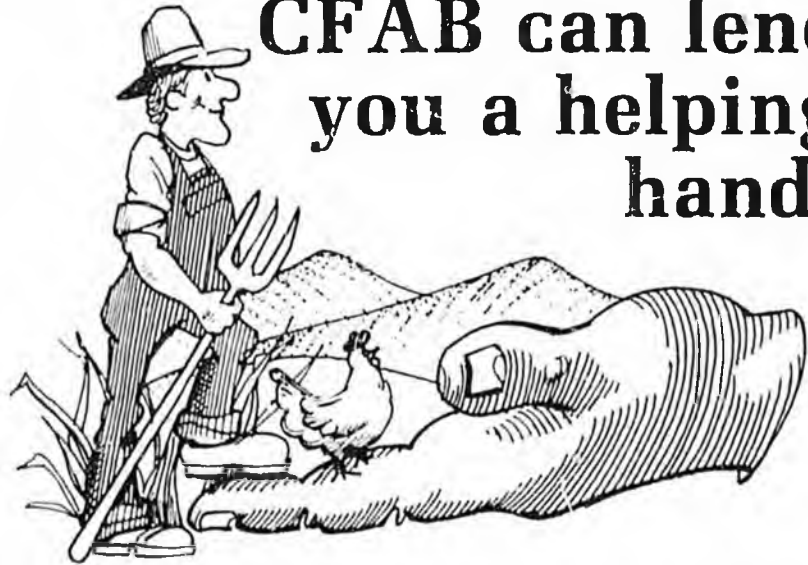
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Editor's Note: Lucille Frey submitted this article for publication last fall. Although it is somewhat dated now, I felt both the Happy Herders' and Lucille had earned the coverage for their efforts.

Young Alaskans in Agriculture

Happy Herders — a Growing 4-H Club

by Lucille T. Frey

"Happy Herders" was an appropriate name for the Matanuska-Susitna based 4-H club as the Alaska State Fair came to a close on September 5. The fair's junior livestock auction brought a total of \$69,100 to young people from around the state enrolled in 4-H and FFA livestock projects. With 24 of the 41 animals sold belonging to Happy Herders club members, their share of the money was \$37,438.75, two percent of which goes into the club's coffers.

The fair and auction is the culmination of a year's hard work by 4-H members and their families.

Sue Caswell, 4-H Fair Superintendent and former 4-H Leaders' Council president, says that the Happy Herders are required to attend at least eight club meetings, as well as yearly club sponsored seminars for each breed of animal owned by the members. They must be enrolled in "Market Animals" by January 1 and are encouraged to do demonstrations and reports on their animal projects.

Only blue and red ribbon animals from the district 4-H fairs are permitted to show at state fair. In addition, market animals must weigh at least a minimum weight for their division to be shown in the junior market livestock and auction.

A livestock advisory committee chooses the judges. "We try to get tough judges at the district fair," says Vickie Kevan, 4-H leader, "because we can't afford not to keep up the quality of the animals if we want to continue to get buyers for the junior livestock auction."

Both at district and state fair the youngsters begin the day early —



(Photo: Lucille T. Frey)

Eleven-year-old Christopher Moore and his black Angus steer, "Hagar the Horrible" take a break from fair activities.

washing, brushing, clipping, and in some cases carding their animals. Mud, water and manure combine to make the task difficult.

Penny Caswell, in her last year as a 4-H member, says, "It can take up to two hours to get an animal ready for showmanship class." She is looking forward to being a co-leader of the club with Arlene (Kevan) Linn next year.

First year 4-H member Guy Schummer was excited about "walking a goat for the first time" in the district fair. In the show ring he was the smallest with the largest goat.

Four-Hers brought 11 steers, 24 pigs, 7 sheep, 15 goats, 6 dairy heifers, 8 beef cows and calves to this year's Mat-Su District 4-H Fair.

The Happy Herders 4-H Club was formed in 1978 with Vickie Kevan as leader and three members — LeAnn Horvath, Arlene Kevan, and Rori Tull. Over 40 members now raise

beef and dairy cattle, goats, sheep, and hogs.

As membership increased parents took on some of the leadership duties. Ilene Schummer assists Lazy Mountain 4-Hers with pigs and goats. Charlie Willis helps with beef cattle. John Mason gives the Sutton members assistance with their beef and hogs.

Wilder Simpson works with the dairy group, most of whom use University of Alaska dairy heifers for their projects. These 4-H members are allowed to choose Experiment Station dairy heifers to work with for the year and to show at district and state fair.

"The dairy members have been a separate group," Kevan says, "but will become part of the Happy Herders in the coming year."

While Sue and Carl "Bill" Caswell are not "official" leaders of the club they are involved with its success. Each year Bill contacts all potential