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Introduced: 2/15/85
Referred: Transportation and
Finance

Funding Information
General Fund \$2,100,000
Other Funds -0-
\$2,100,000

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY TAYLOR AND SUND

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HOUSE BILL NO. 202

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act making a special appropriation to the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for construction of a ferry dock and terminal facilities at Hyder; and providing for an effective date."

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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

11 * Section 1. The sum of \$2,100,000 is appropriated from the general
12 fund to the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for con-
13 struction of a ferry dock and terminal facilities at Hyder.

14 * Sec. 2. The appropriation made by this Act is for a capital project
15 and is subject to AS 37.25.020.

16 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect July 1, 1985.

STATE OF ALASKA
THE LEGISLATURE

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JUNEAU, ALASKA 99811
907 465 3800

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AGENCY

MEMORANDUM

January 29, 1985

SUBJECT: Hyder ferry service
(Work Order No. 14-0470)

TO: Representative Robin Taylor

FROM: Michael F. Ford *M.F.*
Legislative Counsel

The draft attached to this memo would provide funds for construction of a dock and terminal facilities at Hyder. The appropriation would allow the marine highway system to provide weekly summer service by a LeConte or Aurora type vessel.

I discussed the costs of providing weekly year around service to Hyder with Joe Camp, Deputy Commissioner in charge of the Marine Highway. He gave a rough estimate of an additional four to eight million dollars to provide year around service. This estimate would include purchase of an additional fast-service vessel, for 3 to 5 million dollars and yearly operating costs of 1 to 3 million dollars. Apparently, because of winter maintenance schedules, existing vessels cannot provide winter service into Hyder. There is also some question of the level of traffic justifying winter service, and a problem in keeping to a regular schedule due to severe winter storms in that area. If you wish to pursue the year around service approach, advise me and I will revise the draft.

MFF:lmb
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Enclosure

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL REVENUE

Sept. 15, 1984

Revenue Canada Revenu Canada
 Customs and Excise Douanes et Aclise
 Box 430
 Stewart, B.C.
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Port: Stewart, B.C./ Hyder, Alaska

Traffic statistics collected at Canada Customs office, Stewart, B.C.
 Hours of operation: Wed.-Sun. 0830-1630 hrs.

	<u>Cars, Buses, Trucks & Cycles</u>	<u>Travellers</u>
1981	22,998	56,405
1982	24,938	53,976
1983	25,537	62,003

	<u>U.S. Personal Vehicles</u> (cars, motorhomes, cycles etc.)	<u>Travellers</u>	<u>Cdn. Pers. Veh.</u>	<u>Traveller</u>
<u>1983</u>				
May	518	375	1636	3969
June	613	1180	2013	4501
July	302	1617	2176	4479
Aug.	<u>843</u> 2,776	<u>1656</u> 5,328	<u>1822</u> 7,702	<u>4275</u> 17,224
<u>1984</u>				
May	397	708	1277	2567
June	624	1350	1400	3088
July	906	2145	1710	3970
Aug.	<u>960</u> 2,887	<u>2206</u> 6,409	<u>1422</u> 5,809	<u>3249</u> 12,874

TOTAL TRAVELLERS MAY--AUGUST, 1984
 Based on 40hrs./week. 19,283

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STEWART HYDER CASSIAR ROAD DEDICATION
THIS PAST SUMMER BY B.C.'S MINISTER OF HIGHWAYS- ALEX FRASER

ALASKA'S NEWEST PAVED HIGHWAY OPEN YEAR ROUND. A DIRECT LINK TO THE LOWER 48 STATES AND CANADA. OPENING THE S.E. CORRIDOR TO THE PORTLAND CANAL, QUARTZ HILL, KETCHIKAN TONGASS NATIONAL FOREST, AND THE MISTY FIJORDS NATIONAL MONUMENT.

THE STEWART -- CASSIAR HIGHWAY LINKS THE HISTORIC SALMON RIVER HIGHWAY IN HYDER, ALASKA TO THE NORTH AMERICAN HIGHWAYS SYSTEM. SIXTY FIVE YEARS AGO PIONEER PROSPECTORS OF THE TERRITORY CONCEIVED AN IDEA OF A MAJOR DOCK AND HIGHWAY DEVELOPMENT AT THE HEAD OF THE PORTLAND CANAL -- THE INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY BETWEEN ALASKA AND CANADA. THE SALMON RIVER HIGHWAY, TEXAS CREEK HIGHWAY AND HYDER DOCK DEVELOPMENT OPENED THE RICH MINERAL DEPOSITS OF THE SALMON RIVER VALLEY AND CHICKAMIN GLACIER AND RIVER AREA -- AND TEXAS CREEK -- AND GLACIER -- PURPORTED TO HOLD THE LARGEST AND RICHEST SILVER DEPOSITS IN NORTH AMERICA. THIS LINK BECAME A REALITY THIS SUMMER.

HYDER --NO PUBLIC SCHOOL SINCE 1942
--CHILDREN BUSED TO CANADA
--B.C. (604) AREA CODE
--NO ACCESS TO ALASKA
--ELECTRICITY FURNISHED BY B.C. HYDRO
--NO MARINE HIGHWAY SERVICE
--\$500.00 ROUND TRIP TO KETCHIKAN OR \$1000.00

GULF OIL'S MT. KLAPPAN ANTHRACITE COAL PROJECT --TEST SHIPMENT THIS SPRING TO THE EUROPEAN TEST MARKET. POSSIBLE MAJOR PORT DEVELOPMENT AT STEWART IN 18 MONTHS.

STATE OF ALASKA 1985 LEGISLATIVE SESSION
FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date: _____

REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 202
 Title: An act making a special appro-
priation for construction of a ferry dock and terminal
 at Hyder.
 Sponsor: Taylor & Sund
 Requestor: _____
 Date of Request: _____

FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected: DOT&PF
 Program Category Affected: Transportation
 BRU, Program or Subprogram(s) Affected: _____
Alaska Marine Highway System

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 86	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91
OPERATING						
100 PERSONAL SERVICES						
200 TRAVEL						
300 CONTRACTUAL						
400 SUPPLIES						
500 EQUIPMENT						
600 LAND & STRUCTURES	2,100.0					
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS						
800 MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING						
CAPITAL	2,100.0					
REVENUE	-0-					

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	2,100.0				
FEDERAL FUNDS					
OTHER					
TOTAL	2,100.0				

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	-0-				
PART-TIME	-0-				
TEMPORARY	-0-				

ANALYSIS: Attach a separate page if necessary

- See Attached -

Prepared By: Joe D. Camp
 Division: Alaska Marine Highway System
 Approved by Commissioner: [Signature]
 Agency: DOT&PF

Phone: 465-3950
 Date: 2/25/85
 Date: 2/27/85

Distribution (by Agency preparing fiscal note):
 Legislative Finance
 Legislative Sponsor
 Requestor
 Office of Management and Budget
 Impacted Agency(ies)

ANALYSIS HB 202

The docking facility to be constructed will accommodate feeder class vessels (235'). The terminal will be heated, lighted and have restroom facilities.

If this project is not funded in FY 86, inflation will increase costs by 6% per year.

Capitol costs for facility upgrade or major maintenance are not included nor is life-cycle costs, the engineers estimate for original construction costs.

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HYDER, ALASKA - MARINE HIGHWAY SERVICE

The Department of Transportation and Public Facilities has no position on the concept of weekly Marine Highway summer service ~~connecting~~ to the land highway system at Hyder, Alaska. Such service would provide an alternate connection to the British Columbia land highway network, serve an increased number of Alaskans and provide a potential for increased visitor trade. This service is to be studied in the update of the Southeast Transportation plan due to be completed in December, 1985.

Docking, transfer and terminal facilities must be provided in Hyder before such service can begin and this bill would provide those facilities.

Site selection, design and construction would require 18 to 24 months; therefore, if this bill is passed, service could begin in the summer of 1987 at the earliest.

HB 202

HOUSE BILL NO. 202 by Taylor and Sund, entitled:

"An Act making a special appropriation to the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for construction of a ferry dock and terminal facilities at Hyder; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Transportation and Finance Committees.

HB 203

HOUSE BILL NO. 203 by Herrmann and Thompson, entitled:

"An Act making a special appropriation to the Department of Health and Social Services for payment as grants to the Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation and to the Aleutian-Pribilof Island Association for operating costs of health care clinics; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 204

HOUSE BILL NO. 204 by Furnace, Martin and Collins, entitled:

"An Act making a special appropriation to the Alaska housing finance revolving loan fund for housing loans for the permanently disabled; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on State Loans, the Health, Education & Social Services Committee and the Finance Committee.

HB 205

HOUSE BILL NO. 205 by Pettyjohn, Martin and Pignalberi, entitled:

"An Act relating to minors charged with felonies; and amending the children's proceedings waiver provisions."

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