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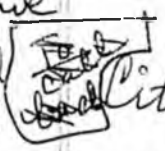
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HB 697

4/9 Norma Kang, H&SS, Div of Public Assistance  
called - requested bill be scheduled asap.  
Told her bill would be heard Tues  
4/15 at 330 p. She said John Laver, Dir  
of the Div would testify on the bill. (X3030).

\* Requested ltr as to impact expected  
No Sales Tax on food stamp purchases

\* Haines (City of) (4%) Jackie Martin, Treasurer  
766-2231

bill will have  
very minimal  
effect  City & Borough of Juneau (4%) Rick Decker

City + Borough of Sitka (4%)

\* Bethel (5%) Peter Donnell, Fin. Dir.  
will try!

- \* Cordova (4%) Dale <sup>Daiyer</sup> Dygert, Staff Accountant.  
424-3237

\* Homer (5%) Chris Newby, Fin. Dir.

Kenai (3%)

- Kodiak (5%) Carolyn Thomas  
Will call back if interested in  
making statement on impact

Nome (3%)

\* Palmer (2%) Wells Williams, Fin. Dir.

\* - Petersburg (5%) Jedell Jones

Seldotna (3%)

\* Wrangell (5%) 874-2381  
Jeff Jabusch, Fin. Dir.



Official Business

# Alaska State Legislature

## Senate

### Committee on Community and Regional Affairs

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Juneau, Alaska 99811

COMMITTEE MEETING -- April 15, 1986

CS for HB 697 (HESS) - An Act prohibiting municipal sales tax on purchases made with food stamps; and providing for an effective date.

A Federal law enacted in December of last year provides that the Food Stamp Program cannot be administered in states where tax is charged on purchases made with food stamps. HB 697 would impact municipalities and retail grocers in Alaska. There would be some cost to grocers in changing accounting procedures.

Scott Burgess, Executive Director, Alaska Municipal League, has been requested to attend today's meeting and advise the Committee of the AML position with respect to the lead time required. The deadline for state compliance with the Federal law is October 1, 1986 unless an extension is requested.

John Taber, Dir. of Pub. Assistance, Dept. of Health & Social Services, will testify on the bill.

Material attached:

- Position paper from DH&SS dated 3-20-86 on the bill
- Fiscal Note from DH&SS dated 3-20-86 on the bill
- Ltr from R. Hicks Elmore, Reg. Admin., Western Reg. , U.S. Dept. of Agriculture dated 2-03-86 to Commissioner Pugh, DH&SS
- Memorandum from Atty. Gen'l Harold Brown to Commissioner Pugh dated 2-14-86
- Ltr from Commissioner Emil Notti, DC&RA, to Representative Peter Goll dated 3-24-86
- Bill history
- Memo from Representative Gruenberg to Senator DeVries dated 4-11-86

Offered: 4/1/86  
Referred: Rules

Original sponsor: Health, Education and  
Social Services Committee

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND  
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

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CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 697 (HESS)

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act prohibiting municipal sales tax on purchases  
made with food stamps; and providing for an effective  
date."

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

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\* Section 1. AS 29.10.200(40) is amended to read:

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(40) AS 29.45.650(c), [AND] (d), and (f) (sales and use tax)

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\* Sec. 2. AS 29.10.200 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

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(47) AS 29.45.700(a) (power of levy)

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\* Sec. 3. AS 29.45.650(a) is amended to read:

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(a) Except as provided in (f) of this section, a [A] borough may

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levy and collect a sales tax not exceeding six percent on sales,

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rents, and on services provided in the borough. The sales tax may

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apply to any or all of these sources. Exemptions may be granted by

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ordinance.

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\* Sec. 4. AS 29.45.650 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

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(f) A borough may not levy and collect a sales tax on a purchase

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made with food coupons, food stamps, or other type of certificate

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issued under 7 U.S.C. 2011 - 2025 (Food Stamp Act). This subsection

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applies to home rule and general law municipalities.

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\* Sec. 5. AS 29.45.700(a) is amended to read:

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(a) A city in a borough that levies and collects areawide sales

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and use taxes may levy sales and use taxes on all sources taxed by the

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borough in the manner provided for boroughs. The [, EXCEPT THAT THE]

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assembly may by ordinance authorize a city to levy and collect sales

1        and use taxes on other sources except purchases made with food cou-  
2        pons, food stamps, or other type of certificate issued under 7 U.S.C.  
3        2011 - 2025 (Food Stamp Act). This subsection applies to home rule  
4        and general law municipalities.

5        \* Sec. 6. This Act takes effect October 1, 1986.

POSITION PAPER

HOUSE BILL NO. 697

"An Act prohibiting municipal sales tax on purchases made with food stamps; and providing for an effective date."

BACKGROUND

On December 23, 1985, the Food Security Act of 1985 (Public Law 99-198) was enacted. Title XV, Subtitle A, of this Act modifies the Food Stamp Act of 1977. One area that requires immediate attention of the Alaska State Legislature concerns charging tax on items purchased with food stamps.

Section 1505 states that, as of October 1, 1986, the Food Stamp Program cannot be administered in states where tax is charged on purchases made with food stamps. An extension of up to one year (October 1, 1987) may be granted if the state can justify, to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture, that more time is needed to implement this change. The Act says that an extension may be given if the state demonstrates that implementation by October 1, 1986, would have an adverse and disruptive effect on the administration of the Food Stamp Program or would not provide adequate time for retail stores to implement changes in sales tax policy.

PURPOSE OF FEDERAL AMENDMENT

This amendment to the Food Stamp Act provides equity of food purchasing power between persons participating in the Food Stamp Program and living in areas where taxes are levied on food items and food stamp households residing in areas where food items are not subject to taxation. There are 20 states that charge either state or local sales tax on food purchases. According to Congressman Leon Panetta, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Domestic Marketing, Consumer Relations and Nutrition, "This (Amendment) would put an end to what is, in effect, a transfer of revenues from the Federal Government to State and local government at the expense of low-income households."

IMPACT

If this proposal is enacted, the impact varies from none to moderate.

There will be no impact on the Department of Health & Social Services, Division of Public Assistance (the agency administering the Food Stamp Program) at the Central Office, Regional or District Office levels.

There will be a small positive impact on those Food Stamp Program participants who reside in areas that levy taxes on items that may be bought with food stamps. If a municipality has a four percent sales tax and a food stamp household living in that community spends \$78 worth of food stamps, prior to the enactment and implementation of this legislation, the household would have spent \$3 of their food stamps paying tax on their purchases. This bill allows those low income households to use all their food stamps on food items.

The degree of negative impact municipalities that levy taxes on these certain items will experience depends on the percentage of taxation levied and the number of Food Stamp Program participants that shop in the municipality. According to a study conducted last year by the Department of Community and Regional Affairs, it was estimated that in 1984, \$300,000 in revenues were generated by purchases made with food stamps.

The grocery stores in areas levying taxes will, undoubtedly, be impacted the most by this bill. Each store will need to make alterations to their accounting/bookkeeping systems. Computerized cash registers will have to be reprogrammed to take this change into account. In stores where automation does not exist, hand methods of calculating this change will have to be established.

If this proposed legislation is not passed, every group mentioned above will be negatively impacted.

On the average, 26,826 people, or 8,942 households participate in the Food Stamp Program each month in Alaska. These people will suffer irreparable harm, physically as well as economically, through the loss of their food purchasing power. Many households have no money to buy food; food stamps are their only tender at the grocery store.

The State will lose approximately \$4.5 million annually in Federal matching funds because, besides providing all the food stamps issued in Alaska, the U.S. Department of Agriculture also provides 50 percent of the administrative costs for running the Food Stamp Program. Staff will be cut in The Division of Public Assistance's Central Office, Regional Offices and District Offices, since the Department will be losing one of the major programs administered by that Division.

Grocers would be greatly impacted if the Food Stamp Program no longer existed in Alaska. It is projected that \$25,000,000 in food stamps will be issued to Alaskans during 1986 and the majority of that amount is spent at groceries in Alaska. Without that revenue and no food program to replace the Federal program, many grocers would suffer severe economic hardship.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Health and Social Services strongly recommends the passage of this bill. Although passage of this bill appears to cause a decline in revenue to certain municipalities and a revision in bookkeeping/accounting methods for grocery stores in these municipalities, loss of the Food Stamp Program in Alaska would hurt one out of every 20 Alaskans, cause far greater revenue declines at all levels, and remove a major revenue source for Alaska's grocers, wholesalers, and shippers.

Recommended by: John K. Taber  
John K. Taber, Director  
Division of Public Assistance

Date: 3-18-86

Approved by: Conni J. Sipe  
for John R. Pugh, Commissioner  
Department of Health &  
Social Services

Date: 3-20-86

ties are essential to ensure the long-term agricultural viability and profitability of farms and ranches in the United States:

(2) agricultural research and technology transfer activities of the Secretary including activities of the Extension Service, the Agricultural Research Service, and the Cooperative State Research Service; State cooperative extension services, land-grant and other colleges and universities, and State agricultural experiment stations—

(A) have contributed greatly to innovation in agriculture; and

(B) have a continuing role to play in improving agricultural productivity;

(3) the annual irretrievable loss of billions of tons of precious topsoil through wind and water erosion reduces agricultural productivity;

(4) many farmers and ranchers are highly dependent on machines and energy resources for agricultural production;

(5) public funding of a properly planned and balanced agricultural research program is essential to improving efficiency in agricultural production and conservation practices; and

(6) expanded agricultural research and extension efforts are needed to assist farmers and ranchers to—

(A) improve agricultural productivity; and  
(B) implement soil, water, and energy conservation practices.

PURPOSES

Sec. 1461. It is the purpose of this subtitle to—

(1) facilitate and promote scientific investigation in order to—

(A) enhance agricultural productivity;  
(B) maintain the productivity of land;  
(C) reduce soil erosion and loss of water and plant nutrients; and  
(D) conserve energy and natural resources; and

(2) facilitate the conduct of research projects in order to study agricultural production systems that—

(A) are located, to the extent practicable, in areas that possess various soil, climatic, and physical characteristics;  
(B) have been, and will continue to be, managed using farm production practices that rely on—

(i) items purchased for the production of an agricultural commodity; and  
(ii) a variety of conservation practices; and

(C) are subjected to a change from the practices described in subparagraph (B)(i) to the practices described in subparagraph (B)(ii).

INFORMATION STUDY

Sec. 1464. (a) Subject to section 1468, the Secretary shall inventory and classify by subject matter all studies, reports, and other materials developed by any person or governmental agency with the participation or financial assistance of the Secretary, that could be used to promote the purposes of this subtitle.

(b) In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

(1) identify, assess, and classify existing information and research reports that will further the purposes of this subtitle, including information and research relating to legume-crop rotation, the use of green manure, animal manures, and municipal wastes in agricultural production, soil acidity, liming in relation to nutrient release, intercropping, the role of organic matter in soil productivity and erosion control, the effect of topsoil loss on soil productivity, and biological methods of weed, disease, and insect control;

(2) identify which of such reports provide useful information and make such useful reports available to farmers and ranchers; and

(3) identify gaps in such information and carry out a research program to fill such gaps.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Sec. 1465. (a) Subject to section 1444, in cooperation with Federal and State research agencies and agricultural producers, the Secretary shall conduct such research projects as are needed to obtain data, draw conclusions, and demonstrate technologies necessary to promote the purposes of this subtitle.

(b) In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary shall conduct projects and studies in areas that are broadly representative of United States agricultural production, including production on small farms.

(c) In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary may conduct research projects involving crops, soils, production methods, and weed, insect, and disease pests on individual fields or other areas of land.

(4) In the case of a research project conducted under this section that involves the planting of a sequence of crops, the Secretary shall conduct such project for a term of—

(1) at least 5 years; and

(2) to the extent practicable, 12 to 15 years.

(d) In coordination with the Extension Service and State cooperative extension services, the Secretary shall take such steps as are necessary to ensure that farmers and ranchers are aware of projects conducted under this section.

(2) The Secretary shall ensure that such projects are open for public observation at specified times.

(f) Subject to paragraph (2), the Secretary may indemnify an operator of a project conducted under this section for damage incurred or undue losses sustained as a result of a rigid requirement of research or demonstration under such project that is not experienced in normal farming operations.

(2) An indemnity payment under paragraph (f) shall be subject to any agreement between a project grantee and operator entered into prior to the initiation of such project.

COORDINATION

Sec. 1466. The Secretary shall—

(1) establish a panel of experts consisting of representatives of the Agricultural Research Service, Cooperative State Research Service, Soil Conservation Service, Extension Service, State cooperative extension services, State agricultural experiment stations, and other specialists in agricultural research and technology transfer; and

(2) ensure that a research project under this subtitle is designed after taking into consideration the views of such panel.

REPORTS

Sec. 1467. The Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate—

(1) not later than 180 days after the effective date of this subtitle, a report describing the design of research projects established in accordance with sections 1465 and 1468;

(2) not later than 15 months after the effective date of this subtitle, a report describing the results of the program carried out under section 1464; and

(3) not later than April 1, 1987, and each April 1 thereafter, a report describing the progress of projects conducted under this subtitle, including—

(A) a summary and analysis of data collected under such projects; and  
(B) recommendations based on such data for new basic or applied research.

AGREEMENTS

Sec. 1468. The Secretary may carry out sections 1466 and 1465 through agreements

with land-grant colleges or universities, other universities, State agricultural experiment stations, nonprofit organizations, or Federal or State governmental entities that have demonstrated appropriate expertise in agricultural research and technology transfer.

DISSEMINATION OF DATA

Sec. 1469. The Secretary shall—

(1) make available through the Extension Service and State cooperative extension services—

(A) the information and research reports identified under section 1464; and

(B) the information and conclusions resulting from any research project conducted under section 1465; and

(2) otherwise take such steps as are necessary to ensure that such material is made available to the public.

AUTHORIZATION FOR APPROPRIATIONS

Sec. 1470. There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this subtitle, to remain available until expended.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Sec. 1471. This subtitle shall become effective on October 1, 1985.

TITLE XV—FOOD STAMP AND RELATED PROVISIONS

SubTitle A—Food Stamp Provisions

PUBLICLY OPERATED COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTERS

REALTY CENTERS

Sec. 1501. (a) Section 3 of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2012) is amended by—

(1) in subsection (f), striking out "which" and all that follows through "providing" and inserting in lieu thereof ", or a publicly operated community mental health center, under part B of title XIX of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.) to provide"; and

(2) inserting ", or a publicly operated community mental health center," after "private nonprofit institution" in the last sentence of subsection (f).

(b) Section 10 of such Act (7 U.S.C. 2018) is amended by inserting "publicly operated community mental health centers" after "purchased, and".

DETERMINATION OF FOOD SALES VOLUME

Sec. 1502. Section 3(k) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2012(k)) is amended by inserting after "food sales volume" in clause (1) the following: ", as determined by visual inspection, sales records, purchase records, or other inventory or accounting record-keeping methods that are customary or reasonable in the retail food industry."

TWO-FY FOOD PLAN

Sec. 1503. The first sentence of section 3(o) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2012(o)) is amended by striking out "fifteen" and inserting in lieu thereof "four".

DEFINITIONS OF THE DISABLED

Sec. 1504. Section 3(r) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2012(r)) is amended by—

(1) inserting before the semicolon at the end of paragraph (2) the following: ", federally or State administered supplemental benefits of the type described in section 1618(a) of the Social Security Act if the Secretary determines that such benefits are conditioned on meeting the disability or blindness criteria used under title XVI of the Social Security Act, or federally or State administered supplemental benefits of the type described in section 213(a) of Public Law 93-66 (42 U.S.C. 1382 note)";

(2) inserting before the semicolon at the end of paragraph (3) the following: ", or receives disability retirement benefits from a governmental agency because of a disability

considered personal under section 221(u) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 421(u));

(3) inserting "or non-service-connected" after "service-connected" in paragraph (4)(A);

(4) striking out "or" at the end of paragraph (5);

(5) striking out the period at the end of paragraph (6) and inserting in lieu thereof "or"; and

(6) adding at the end thereof the following:

"(7) is an individual receiving an annuity under section 2(a)(1)(b) or 2(a)(2)(b) of the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974 (45 U.S.C. 231(a)(1)(b) or 231(a)(2)(b)), if the individual's service as an employee under the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974, after December 31, 1938, had been included in the term 'employment' as defined in the Social Security Act, and if an application for disability benefits had been filed."

STATE AND LOCAL SALES TAXES

Sec. 1505. (a) Section 5(a) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2013(a)) is amended by inserting before the period at the end of the first sentence the following: ", except that a State may not participate in the food stamp program if the Secretary determines that State or local sales taxes are collected within that State on purchases of food made with coupons issued under this Act."

(b)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect with respect to a State beginning on the first day of the fiscal year that commences in the calendar year during which the first regular session of the legislature of such State is convened following the date of enactment of this Act.

(2) Upon a showing by a State, to the satisfaction of the Secretary, that the application of paragraph (1), without regard to this paragraph, would have an adverse and disruptive effect on the administration of the food stamp program in such State or would provide inadequate time for retail stores to implement changes in sales tax policy required as a result of the amendment made by subsection (a), the Secretary may delay the effective date of subsection (a) with respect to such State to a date not later than October 1, 1987.

RELATION OF FOOD STAMP AND COMMODITY

DISTRIBUTION PROGRAMS

Sec. 1506. Section 4(b) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2013(b)) is amended by—

- (1) striking out the first sentence; and
- (2) striking out "also" in the second sentence.

CATEGORICAL ELIGIBILITY

Sec. 1507. (a)(1) Section 5(a) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2014) is amended by inserting after the first sentence the following: "Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act except sections 6(b), 6(d)(2), and 6(g) and the third sentence of section 3(f), and during the period beginning on the date of the enactment of the Food Security Act of 1985 and ending on September 30, 1989, households in which each member receives benefits under a State plan approved under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act, supplemental security income benefits under title XVI of the Social Security Act, or aid to the aged, blind, or disabled under title I, X, XIV, or XVI of the Social Security Act, shall be eligible to participate in the food stamp program."

(2) During the period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act and ending on September 30, 1989, section 5(j) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2014(j)) shall not apply.

(b) Section 11(i) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2020(i)) is amended by adding

at the end thereof the following: "No household shall have its application to participate in the food stamp program denied nor its benefits under the food stamp program terminated solely on the basis that its application to participate has been denied or its benefits have been terminated under any of the programs carried out under the statutes specified in the second sentence of section 5(a) and without a separate determination by the State agency that the household fails to satisfy the eligibility requirements for participation in the food stamp program."

(c) Not later than 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall—

(1) evaluate the implementation of the second sentence of section 5(a) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended by subsection (a) of this section; and

(2) submit to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate and the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives a report summarizing the results of such evaluation.

THIRD PARTY PAYMENTS

Sec. 1508. Section 5 of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2014) is amended by—

(1) inserting "except as provided in subsection (k)," after "household," in subsection (d)(1); and

(2) adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(k)(1) For purposes of subsection (d)(1), except as provided in paragraph (2), assistance provided to a third party on behalf of a household by a State or local government shall be considered money payable directly to the household if the assistance is provided in lieu of—

"(A) a regular benefit payable to the household for living expenses under a State plan for aid to families with dependent children approved under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 601 et seq.); or

"(B) a benefit payable to the household for living expenses under—

"(U) a State or local general assistance program; or

"(V) another basic assistance program comparable to general assistance (as determined by the Secretary).

"(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to—

"(A) medical assistance;

"(B) child care assistance;

"(C) energy assistance;

"(D) assistance provided by a State or local housing authority; or

"(E) emergency and special assistance, to the extent excluded in regulations prescribed by the Secretary."

EXCLUDED INCOME

Sec. 1509. (a) Section 5(d) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2014(d)), as amended by section 1508, is amended by—

(1) inserting "and except as provided in subsection (h)," after the comma at the end of clause (1);

(2) in clause (3)—

(A) striking out "higher education" and inserting in lieu thereof "post-secondary education"; and

(B) adding at the end thereof "and to the extent loans include any origination fees and insurance premiums;"

(3) inserting "no portion of any non-Federal educational loan on which payment is deferred, grant, scholarship, fellowship, veterans' benefits, and the like that are provided for living expenses, and no portion of any Federal educational loan on which payment is deferred, grant, scholarship, fellowship, veterans' benefits, and the like to the extent it provides income assistance beyond that used for tuition and mandatory school fees," in the proviso to clause (5) after "child care expenses,"

(4) inserting ", but household income that otherwise is included under this subsection shall be reduced by the extent that the cost of producing self-employment income exceeds the income derived from self-employment as a farmer" before the comma in clause (7);

(5) inserting "except as otherwise provided in subsection (k) of this section" after "food stamp program" in clause (10)

(b) Section 5(k) of such Act, as added by section 1508, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

"(3) For purposes of subsection (d)(1), educational loans on which payment is deferred, grants, scholarships, fellowships, veterans' educational benefits, and the like that are provided to a third party on behalf of a household for living expenses shall be treated as money payable directly to the household."

(c) Section 5 of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2014), as amended by section 1508, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(u) Notwithstanding section 142(b) of the Job Training Partnership Act (29 U.S.C. 1552(b)), earnings to individuals participating in on-the-job training programs under section 204(5) of the Job Training Partnership Act shall be considered earned income for purposes of the food stamp program, except for dependents less than 18 years of age."

CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENTS

Sec. 1510. Section 5 of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2014), as amended by sections 1508 and 1509—

(1) in subsection (d) by—

(A) striking out "and" at the end of clause (1); and

(B) inserting before the period at the end thereof the following: ", and (13) at the option of a State agency and subject to subsection (m), child support payments that are excluded under section 402(a)(1)(A)(v) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 402(a)(1)(A)(v))"; and

(2) adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(m) If a State agency excludes payments from income for purposes of the food stamp program under subsection (d)(13), such State agency shall pay to the Federal Government, in a manner prescribed by the Secretary, the cost of any additional benefits provided to households in such State that arise under such program as the result of such exclusion."

DEDUCTIONS FROM INCOME

Sec. 1511. Section 5(e) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2014(e)) is amended by—

(1) in the second sentence, striking out "homeownership component" and inserting in lieu thereof "homeowners' costs and maintenance and repair component";

(2) effective May 1, 1986, striking out "18" and inserting in lieu thereof "20";

(3) effective May 1, 1986, amending the fourth sentence by—

(A) amending the proviso to clause (2) to read as follows: "Provided, That the amount of such excess shelter expense deduction shall not exceed \$147 a month in the forty-eight contiguous States and the District of Columbia, and shall not exceed, in Alaska, Hawaii, Guam, and the Virgin Islands of the United States, \$258, \$218, \$179, and \$108 a month, respectively, adjusted on October 1, 1986, and on each October 1 thereafter, to the nearest lower dollar increment to reflect changes in the shelter (exclusive of homeowners' costs and maintenance and repair component of shelter costs), fuel, and utilities components of housing costs in

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# STATE OF ALASKA 1986 LEGISLATIVE SESSION FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date : \_\_\_\_\_

**REQUEST**

Bill/Resolution No. : HB No. 697  
 Title : Prohibiting Municipal sales tax on purchases made with food stamps.  
 Sponsor : Health, Ed. and Soc. Svcs. Comm.  
 Requestor : \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Request : 3/18/86

**FISCAL DETAIL**

Agency Affected : Health & Social Services  
 BRU : Public Assistance/Administrative  
 Components : Eligibility Determination

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

OPERATING	FY 86	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91
PERSONAL SERVICES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
TRAVEL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
CONTRACTUAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
SUPPLIES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
EQUIPMENT	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
LAND & STRUCTURES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
GRANTS, CLAIMS	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
MISCELLANEOUS	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>

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REVENUE	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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**FUNDING : (Thousands of Dollars)**

GENERAL FUND	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
FEDERAL FUNDS	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
OTHER	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>

**POSITIONS :**

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

**ANALYSIS :** Attach a separate page if necessary

This measure provides a positive impact on those Food Stamp Program participants who reside in areas that levy taxes by allowing those low income households to use all their food stamps on food items. It does not establish any program or function which would impact the Division of Public Assistance.

Prepared by : John P. Taha, Director Phone : 465-3347  
 Division : Division of Public Assistance Date : 3-18-86

Approved by Commissioner : Connie S. H. Anderson Date : 3-20-86  
 Agency : Department of Health & Social Services

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550 Kearny Street  
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FEB 03 1986

MR JOHN R PUGH  
COMMISSIONER  
STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND  
SOCIAL SERVICES  
ALASKA OFFICE BUILDING POUCH H-01  
JUNEAU AK 99811

Dear Mr. Pugh:

President Reagan signed the Food Security Act of 1985 (Public Law 99-198, commonly known as the Farm Bill) on December 23, 1985. This Act mandates that "a State may not participate in the Food Stamp Program if the Secretary determines that State or local sales taxes are collected within the State on purchases of food made with coupons issued under this Act". The Act provides that this provision is to become effective, with respect to a State, beginning on the first day of the federal fiscal year that commences in the calendar year during which the first session of the State legislature is convened following enactment of the law. States may delay the effective date to no later than October 1, 1987, if they can satisfy the Department of Agriculture that implementation of the sales tax provision would have an adverse effect on State program administration or would provide inadequate time for retail stores to implement changes in sales tax policy as a result of the legislation.

The enclosed letter was mailed to your Governor on January 21, 1986, to alert him of the sales taxes requirements as well as those provisions to be implemented by May 1, 1986. This Department is in the process of drafting program regulatory amendments designed to implement the requirements mandated in Section 1505 of the Food Security Act of 1985. However, we suggest that you begin working with your legislature immediately if your State is now charging a sales tax on food stamp transactions. If you determine that a delay in removing the sales tax on food purchased with coupons will be needed, your Governor should notify the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture of the State's intention to seek authority to delay the effective date to no later than October 1, 1987. Simultaneously, all supporting evidence for the delay should be forwarded to this office.

Dear Governors:

The Food Security Act of 1985 (Public Law 99-198) was signed into law by President Reagan on December 23, 1985. Section 1505 of the bill mandates that "a State may not participate in the Food Stamp Program if the Secretary determines that State or local sales taxes are collected within that State on purchases of food made with coupons issued under this Act". The Act provides that this provision is to become effective, with respect to a State, beginning on the first day of the federal fiscal year that commences in the calendar year during which the first session of the State legislature is convened following enactment of the law. States may delay the effective date to no later than October 1, 1987, if they can satisfy the Department of Agriculture that implementation of the sales tax provision would have an adverse effect on State program administration or would provide inadequate time for retail stores to implement changes in sales tax policy as a result of the legislation.

This Department is in the process of drafting regulatory amendments designed to implement the requirements mandated in Section 1505 of the Food Security Act of 1985. However, since many State legislatures will probably convene prior to our issuance of final regulations, we urge your State legislature to complete those actions necessary to change any law(s) in order to avoid exclusion of your State from Food Stamp Program participation under the provisions of Section 1505. Your cooperation in assuring your State's continued participation in our program through this action would be greatly appreciated.

Additionally, we can assure you that the Department has assigned priority status to the formulation of regulations implementing Sections 1511 and 1514 of the Food Security Act of 1985. These sections raise the program's earned income, shelter cost, and child care deductions as well as the asset limit and are effective May 1, 1986. We anticipate that program regulations implementing these provisions of the Act will be issued as final regulations no later than April 1, 1986. Accordingly, the agency responsible for administration of the Food Stamp Program in your State should begin to plan and initiate action as appropriate to ensure that the provisions of Section 1511 and 1514 of the Food Security Act will be implemented promptly on May 1, 1986 as required by law.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in this important matter.

Sincerely,

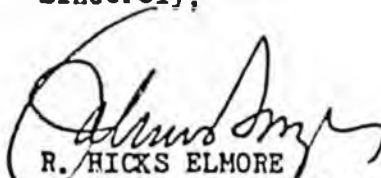
ROBERT E. LEARD  
Administrator

Mr. John Pugh

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We will be in contact with you in the near future to provide additional guidance on the specific information required to document the need for a delay in implementation of the effective dates.

Sincerely,

  
R. HICKS ELMORE  
Regional Administrator  
Western Region

fo  
Enclosure

# MEMORANDUM

State of Alaska

TO: Honorable John Pugh  
Commissioner  
Department of Health and  
Social Services

DATE: February 14, 1986

FILE NO: 66-3-86-0317

TELEPHONE NO: 465-3603

FROM: Harold M. Brown  
Attorney General

SUBJECT: Sales taxes on food  
stamp purchases

By: George W. Edwards *GWE*  
Assistant Attorney General  
Human Services-Juneau

You have asked for our evaluation of the potential impact of certain recent federal food stamp legislation on the state's food stamp program eligibility.

We believe the legislation in question could result in the termination of state participation in the federal food stamp program if certain sales tax restrictions are not implemented.

Section 1505 of the Food Security Act of 1985 (H.R. 2100) amends the Food Stamp Act at 7 U.S.C. § 2013(a) to provide that:

[A] State may not participate in the food stamp program if the Secretary determines that State or local sales taxes are collected within that State on purchases of food made with coupons issued under this Act.

Alaska boroughs and cities are currently permitted to collect sales taxes on sales, rents, and services without restriction. AS 29.45.650(a) states:

(a) A borough may levy and collect a sales tax not exceeding six percent on sales, rents, and on services provided in the borough. The sales tax may apply to any or all of these sources. Exemptions may be granted by ordinance.

AS 29.45.700 states:

(a) A city in a borough that levies and collects areawide sales and use taxes may levy sales and use taxes on all sources taxed by the borough in the manner provided for boroughs, except that the assembly may by ordinance authorize a city to levy and collect sales and use taxes on other sources.

(b) A city in a borough that does not levy and collect sales and use taxes for areawide borough functions may levy and collect sales and use taxes in the manner provided for boroughs.

(c) A city outside a borough may levy and collect sales and use taxes in the manner provided for boroughs.

A study conducted by the Department of Community and Regional Affairs last year found that Alaska's food stamp purchases during 1984 totaled \$19,788,024. The department estimated that these purchases generated approximately \$300,000 in sales tax revenues. Its conclusion was that the loss of sales tax revenues from food stamp purchases would have little effect on revenue sharing or local government operations.

Since Alaska's current sales tax laws do not require that municipalities exempt food items purchased with food stamps, legislative action will be necessary to assure that the state will continue to qualify for the federal program.

Proposed legislation accompanies this memorandum. It creates an exception to existing sales tax law by prohibiting taxation of food purchases made with food stamps. You will note that it conforms to the requirements of section 1505 in not prohibiting taxation of purchases of non-food items made with food stamps. The potential for revenue loss to municipalities resulting from this legislation is minimal compared to the loss to the state's economy which would result from termination of the food stamp program.

Unless an extension is granted by the Secretary of Agriculture, section 1505 will become applicable to Alaska on October 1, 1986. This date represents the beginning of the federal fiscal year and is controlling according to the Congressional Record for December 17, 1985, at H 12398.

An extension to October 1, 1987, may be granted as set forth in section 1505(b)(2):

(2) Upon a showing by a State, to the satisfaction of the Secretary, that the application of paragraph (1), without regard to this paragraph, would have an adverse and disruptive effect on the administration of the food stamp program in such State or would provide inadequate time for retail stores to implement

Honorable John Pugh, Commissioner  
Department of Health and Social Services  
66-3-86-0317

February 14, 1986  
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changes in sales tax policy required as a result of the amendment made by subsection (a), the Secretary may delay the effective date of subsection (a) with respect to such State to a date not later than October 1, 1987.

We are unable to address the question of how much lead time municipalities and retailers in Alaska may require to implement the sales tax changes proposed in the legislation. If a compelling case for an extension is made before the legislature by municipalities or retailers, the same argument would hopefully convince the secretary. Barring such a showing, the appropriate course of action appears to be the passage of necessary legislation with a special effective date of October 1, 1986.

Please review our proposed legislation in light of the above information and let us know how you wish to proceed.

GWE:nb

**DEPT. OF COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS**

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

March 24, 1986

- POUCH B  
JUNEAU, ALASKA 99811  
PHONE: (907) 465-4700
- 949 E. 35TH AVENUE, SUITE 400  
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99508  
PHONE: (907) 563-1073

The Honorable Peter Goll  
 Alaska State House  
 of Representatives  
 P.O. Box V  
 Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Representative Goll:

RE: HOUSE BILL 697 - PROHIBITION OF MUNICIPAL SALES TAX  
 ON PURCHASES MADE WITH FOOD STAMPS

You have asked what effect eliminating sales tax charged on food stamps would have on cities for State Revenue Sharing or general operations. The impact on cities would be minimal, based on the following information:

\* 1984 Alaska Food Stamp Benefits ..... \$19,788,024

Half of this amount is issued in Alaska cities which do not have a sales tax. Therefore, the number we have used in calculating sales tax dollars affected is \$10,000,000 in yearly food stamp purchases.

Taxable 1984 Food Stamp Benefits	\$10,000,000
Statewide Blended Sales Tax Rate	X 3%
<b>SALES TAX REVENUES LOST DUE TO EXEMPTION</b>	<b>\$ 300,000</b>

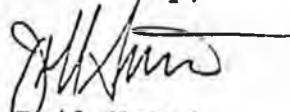
As you know, a \$300,000 yearly tax loss over the entire State would have very little effect on the Revenue Sharing Program or local government operations.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please let me know.

\* Statistics from:

Mark Murray, Food Stamp Quality Control Technician  
 Department of Health and Social Services  
 Division of Public Assistance

Sincerely,



Emil Notti  
 Commissioner

CSHB 697 HESS

AN ACT PROHIBITING MUNICIPAL SALES TAX ON PURCHASES MADE WITH FOOD STAMPS;  
AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

PRIME SPONSOR: HESS COMMITTEE  
CO-SPONSORS:

CURRENT STATUS: (S) C&amp;RA

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HB 697

MEASURE HISTORY

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04/04/86	(H)	2587	HANLEY NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION
04/07/86	(H)	2609	RECON TAKEN UP - IN THIRD READING
04/07/86	(H)	2610	PASSED ON RECONSIDERATION Y37 N2 A1
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# Alaska State Legislature

Official Business

## MEMORANDUM

APR 15 1986

Pouch V  
State Capitol  
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Date: April 11, 1986

To: Senator DeVries  
Chair  
Senate Community and Regional Affairs Committee

From: Rep. Max Gruenberg, Jr. *Max*  
Chair  
House HESS Committee

Re: HB 697: "An Act prohibiting municipal sales tax on purchases made with food stamps"

Attached please find back-up material for HB 697, which was introduced by the HESS Committee at the request of the Department of Health and Social Services. The Food Security Act of 1985 requires each state to have in place by October 1, 1986, a law prohibiting sales tax on food stamp purchases.

I would ask your assistance in promptly scheduling this bill so that our food stamp program is not endangered.

Thank you very much.

*Already had received backup here enclosed.*  
*to 4/15/86*

STATE OF ALASKA  
THE LEGISLATURE

POUCH Y - ST...E CAPITOL  
JUNEAU, ALASKA 99811  
907-465-3800

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May, 1988

Copies of minutes listed below were originally included in this file. The minutes are available on the STAIRS database CMPR. In order to save space copies of minutes have not been left in the files.

Mary Van Nimwegen

S CRA 4-15-86 3:42 pm  
4-24-86 3:34 pm

# State of Alaska

COMMITTEES APR 28 1986

HOUSE HEALTH, EDUCATION  
AND SOCIAL SERVICES  
(Co-Chairman)  
HOUSE JUDICIARY  
HOUSE COMMUNITY AND  
REGIONAL AFFAIRS



APR 28 1986

P.O. BOX V  
JUNEAU, ALASKA 99811  
(907) 465-4968

914 CLAY COURT  
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99503  
(907) 276-6844

Representative Max F. Gruenber, Jr.  
District 11  
Spenard, Upper Midtown Anc

*State  
Copy*

April 23, 1986

Mr. David L. Soulak  
City Manager  
City of Palmer  
231 W. Evergreen Avenue  
Palmer, Alaska 99645

RE: HB 697

Dear Mr. Soulak:

Thank you very much for your letter on the above bill. I am sorry you are displeased with this legislation. Please be advised that the Food Security Act of 1985 (Public Law 99-198, commonly known as the farm bill), was signed into law by President Reagan December 23, 1985. This federal law requires, "a State may not participate in the Food Stamp Program if the Secretary (of Agriculture) determines that state or local sales taxes are collected within the State on purchases of food made with coupons issued under this Act."

As required under this federal law the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services requested the House HESS Committee to introduce this bill. We did so unanimously. It passed both the House Community and Regional Affairs Committee and the House HESS Committee unanimously and on April 7, 1986 passed the House by a vote of 37-2. I strongly support this bill. I will do all I can to assist its passage, both because it is required under federal law and because simple equity demands that people who purchase food stamps not have their limited funds diverted into paying local taxes. The amount that local governments will lose as a result of this legislation will be minimal. I am enclosing for your information a copy of Commissioner Emil Notti's letter of March 24 to Chairman Peter Goll of the House Community and Regional Affairs Committee.

As you can see from that letter, the total amount estimated to be lost due to the exemption is \$300,000. Alternatively, nearly 20 million dollars in lost food stamp benefits would result if this bill does not pass. This large sum directly assists food stamp recipients. It also directly assists many local businesses, who receives this in additional food sales. The ripple affect from this 20 million dollars obviously effects far more people than the local merchants themselves.

I hope these facts will cause you to reconsider your opinion. The lost dollars are not the only consideration. Thousands of Alaskan women and children depend on food stamps. It would be short-sighted indeed for municipalities to oppose such a program because of the few dollars in lost sales taxes.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Max F. Gruenberg, Jr.", written in dark ink.

Max F. Gruenberg, Jr.

ddl

cc:

Mayor Carte'

Rep. Hurley

Rep. Larson

Senator Kerttula

Senator DeVries



THE CITY OF HAINES, ALASKA  
P.O. BOX 576  
HAINES, ALASKA 99827  
(907) 766-2231

APR 25 1986

In Reply  
Refer To

April 22, 1986

Senator Edna De Vries  
Alaska Legislature  
Pouch V  
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Senator De Vries:

In response to a phone call from Trudy of your office yesterday, I checked with the two supermarkets in town regarding sales tax collected on food stamp sales.

Teresa Tucker of The Food Center informed me they average \$115,200.00 per year in food stamp sales generating \$5,485.71 a year in sales tax at 5%.

I also talked to Mike Ward of Howsers Supermarket and he estimated the food stamp sales to be approximately \$60,000.00 a year, which would generate sales tax for the city in the amount of \$2,857.40

Our anticipated sales tax revenue for the year is \$440,000.00. With the cut-backs in revenue sharing and municipal assistance we really don't need a cut-back in sales tax revenue also.

If you need additional information, please don't hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

*Jaeki Martin*  
Jaeki Martin  
Treasurer  
CITY OF HAINES

C+RA Mtg 4/24/86

HB 697 Prohibiting Municipal Sales  
Tax on Purchases Made With Food  
Stamps

John Laker, Div. of Public Assistance  
Have 25,000 individual food stamp  
recipients + 7,000 households.  
25 million dollars of food stamps  
issued in Ak.

Passed out w/ indiv recs



Official Business

# Alaska State Legislature

## Senate

### Committee on Community and Regional Affairs

Senator Edna DeVries, Chairman

Members:

Senator Ferguson, Vice Chairman

Senator Coghil

Senator Sturgulewski

Senator V. Fischer

Pouch V

Juneau, Alaska 99811

COMMITTEE MEETING -- April 24, 1986

HB 697 An Act prohibiting municipal sales tax on purchases made with food stamps, efd

HB 647 An Act establishing requirements for warning placards; establishing requirements and limiting liability for municipal reporting programs for hazardous materials and hazardous waste; efd

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The Committee Substitute for HB 697 (HESS) was considered by the committee on April 15th and continued until this week to provide an opportunity for municipalities which charge a sales tax to inform as the fiscal impact expected through passage of this legislation.

CS for HB 647 (Fin) am was brought before the committee at the last committee meeting and rescheduled for today after preparation of a Committee Substitute work draft.

Materials attached:

City of Wrangell letter to Senator DeVries dated 4-17-86.



*City of Petersburg*  
*P. O. Box 929*  
*Petersburg, Alaska 99833*

APR 24 1986

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APRIL 22, 1986

SENATOR EDNA B. DEVRIES  
ALASKA LEGISLATURE  
POUCH V  
JUNEAU, ALASKA 99811

RE: IMPACT ON REVENUES FROM SALES TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR FOOD STAMP  
PURCHASES

DEAR SENATOR DEVRIES:

I WAS CONTACTED VIA TELEPHONE ON APRIL 21, 1986 BY TRUDY ALFORTH FROM YOUR OFFICE. SHE WAS INQUIRING AS TO WHAT THE IMPACT MIGHT BE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVENUES IF SALES TAX WAS EXEMPTED ON FOOD PURCHASED WITH FOOD STAMPS.

I HAVE CONTACTED THE LOCAL MERCHANTS HERE IN PETERSBURG TO SEE IF I COULD DETERMINE WHAT THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF THOSE SALES ARE. I HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO DETERMINE A REAL EXACT AMOUNT FROM THEM AS THEY TREAT THESE SALES AS CASH PURCHASES. FROM THE INFORMATION I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ACQUIRE, IT APPEARS THAT FOOD STAMP SALES FOR THE LAST 3 MONTHS HAVE AVERAGED BETWEEN \$7,000 AND \$8,000. OUR LOCAL TAX RATE IN PETERSBURG IS 5% AND ON AN ANNUAL BASIS THIS WOULD PROJECT TO A LOSS OF \$4,200 - \$5,000. THE LOCAL SALES TAX REVENUE FOR FY 84/85 WAS \$1,237,475.

I HOPE THIS INFORMATION WILL BE OF HELP TO YOU.

SINCERELY,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jodell Jones".

JODELL JONES  
CITY TREASURER

JJ:PO



# CITY OF PALMER



231 W EVERGREEN AVE  
PALMER, ALASKA 99645



APR 24 1986

Phone (907) 745-3271

A HOME RULE CITY

April 22, 1986

The Honorable Edna DeVries  
Senator  
State of Alaska  
Box V  
Juneau, Alaska 99811

RE: Committee Substitute for House Bill 697

Dear Senator DeVries,

The City received a call from your office on Monday requesting information on the fiscal impact of the bill that would prohibit cities from taxing food stamp purchases. Our Finance Department contacted the primary grocer in Palmer and, based on their information and related calculations, we estimate the bill would cost us approximately \$8,000 a year in lost revenues.

The \$8,000 figure would be noticeable. If the bill were broadened to include subsidized rents, the direct revenue loss would increase significantly. We trust that there will not be a move in that direction and we hope that your office will keep us informed of any development along those lines.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide you with this information. We will be talking with you shortly.

Respectfully,

*S. Wells Williams/cac*

S. Wells Williams  
Assistant City Manager  
City of Palmer

SWW/cac

FACTS ABOUT FOOD STAMP PARTICIPANTS IN ALASKA

APR 24 1986

\*28% of all households that received food stamps for February 1986 had no income.

\*30% of all benefits issued in February 1986 were to households with no income.

For a three-person household to receive food stamp, the maximum gross income is \$1199, maximum net is \$922.

An AFDC household consisting of two children and one parent receiving an AFDC grant of \$744 and paying rent of \$500, would receive:

\$183 food stamps - Urban  
\$244 food stamps - Rural I  
\$321 food stamps - Rural II

\*EIS Report FR051 for February 1986.

# MEMORANDUM

## State of Alaska Community and Regional Affairs

TO: Doug Griffin, Deputy Director  
Municipal and Regional  
Assistance Division

THRU: Bob Kern, Assistant State Assessor  
Municipal and Regional  
Assistance Division

FROM: Patti Becker, Project Assistant  
Municipal and Regional  
Assistance Division

DATE: October 25, 1985

FILE NO: 2003U/BK/PB/pr

TELEPHONE NO: 465-4735

SUBJECT: Exemption of Food  
Stamp Purchases  
from Sales Tax

You have asked what effect eliminating sales tax charged on food stamps would have on cities for State Revenue Sharing or general operations. The impact on cities would be minimal, based on the following information:

\* 1984 Alaska Food Stamp Benefits.....\$19,788,024

Half of this amount is issued in Alaska cities which do not have a sales tax. Therefore, the number we have used in calculating sales tax dollars affected is \$10,000,000 in yearly food stamp purchases.

Taxable 1984 Food Stamp Benefits	\$10,000,000
Statewide Blended Sales Tax Rate	<u>X 3%</u>

SALES TAX REVENUES LOST DUE TO THE EXEMPTION \$ 300,000

As you know, a \$300,000 yearly tax loss over the entire State would have very little effect on the Revenue Sharing Program or local government operations.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please let me know.

\* Statistics from:

Mark Murray, Food Stamp Quality Control Technician  
Department of Health and Social Services  
Division of Public Assistance

ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION SYSTEM  
FOOD STAMP PROGRAM MONTHLY SUMMARY  
FEBRUARY 1986

REGION: ALL

DISTRICT	AFDC		NON-AFDC		DISTRICT TOTALS	
	NO OF HOUSEHOLDS	NO OF PERSONS	NO OF HOUSEHOLDS	NO OF PERSONS	NO OF HOUSEHOLDS	NO OF PERSONS
ALL MAXIMUM ALLIOTMENT	3751	12255	4419	12512	8170	24767
		783855.00	2283	1151069.00	2283	5068
				587114.00		1939924.00
PREVIOUS 11 MONTHS						587114.00
0186	3881	12607	4264	12099	8145	24706
		840375.00		1105719.00		1946154.00
1285	3906	12611	4125	11640	8031	24251
		889566.00		1098620.00		1988186.00
1185	3397	10946	3659	10363	7056	21309
		701656.00		941220.00		1642876.00
1085	3920	12674	3830	10646	7750	23320
		835252.00		989300.00		1824552.00
0985	3451	11131	3486	9835	6937	20966
		701269.00		848107.00		1549376.00
0885	3760	12238	3892	11263	7652	23501
		788347.00		993874.00		1782221.00
0785	3809	12376	4221	12209	8030	24585
		783394.00		1077168.00		1860562.00
0685	744	12371	4552	13144	8296	25515
		791912.00		1140609.00		1932521.00
0585	3955	13169	5032	14484	8987	27653
		873160.00		1301092.00		2174252.00
0485	3943	13192	5065	14641	9008	27833
		885380.00		1361470.00		2246850.00
0385	3893	12965	4974	14147	8867	27112
		861962.00		1306134.00		2168096.00



ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION SYSTEM  
CASELOAD AND ISSUANCE REPORT BY PROGRAM  
FEBRUARY 1986

REGION 1 ANCHORAGE  
DISTRICT : 83

VILLAGE	AEDC ZERO GRANT	AEDC ONLY	AEDC ONLY	ES ONLY	AFDC COMBINED	ES	TOTAL
ANCHORAGE	35	567	339,390.00	791	1,066,276.00	1533	2926
ANJAK	0	0.00	140,148.00	0	266,241.00	1	1,812,055.00
CHUGIAK	0	14	7,900.00	18	18,543.00	27	59
EAGLE RIVER	2	35	19,680.00	25	30,104.00	43	105
ELMENDORF AFB	0	2	496.00	17	0.00	0	19
EMMONAK	0	1	657.00	0	0.00	0	1
FORT RICHARDSON	0	3	1,958.00	15	1,308.00	2	20
GIRDWOOD	0	1	154.00	0	4,178.00	6	7
IVANOFF BAY	0	1	740.00	0	0.00	0	1
PALMER	0	0	0.00	1	1,523.00	1	2
PETERS CREEK	0	3	1,851.00	3	1,761.00	3	9
PILOT STATION	0	0	0.00	0	657.00	1	1
TOGIAK	0	1	591.00	0	0.00	0	1
WASILLA	0	2	1,314.00	0	0.00	0	2
WHITTIER	0	0	0.00	2	1,485.00	2	4
			379.00		267.00		2,131.00

ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION SYSTEM  
CASELOAD AND ISSUANCE REPORT BY PROGRAM  
FEBRUARY 1986

REGION : ANCHORAGE  
DISTRICT : 83

VILLAGE	AEDC ZERO GRANT	AEDC ONLY	FS ONLY	AEDC ONLY	FS ONLY	-----COMBINED-----	FS	TOTAL
DISTRICT TOTAL ***	37	374,731.00	156,168.00	630	872	1,126,492.00	1619	3158 1,938,051.00
REGION TOTAL ***	38	396,592.00	177,830.00	677	1133	1,144,466.00	1658	3506 2,004,724.00

ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION SYSTEM  
CASELOAD AND ISSUANCE REPORT BY PROGRAM  
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REGION: CLAIMS UNIT  
DISTRICT : 12

VILLAGE	AFDC ZERO GRANT	AFDC ONLY	FS ONLY	AEDC -----COMBINED-----	FS	TOTAL
SELAMIK	0	0.00	1 809.00	0.00	0	1 809.00
DISTRIC TOTAL ***	0	0.00	1 809.00	0.00	0	1 809.00
REGION TOTAL ***	0	0.00	1 809.00	0.00	0	1 809.00

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REGION : KOTZEBUE ONLY  
DISTRICT : 47

VILLAGE	AFDC ZERO GRANT	AFDC ONLY	AFDC ONLY	FS ONLY	FS COMBINED	FS	TOTAL
AMBLER	1	4	1,063.00	4	1,087.00	0	2,150.00
BUCKLAND	2	5	1,653.00	6	1,572.00	2	5,037.00
DEERING	0	3	1,459.00	2	548.00	3	5,803.00
KIANA	1	9	3,528.00	5	2,314.00	4	9,670.00
KIVALINA	0	10	6,186.00	11	6,872.00	2	15,080.00
KORUK	0	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	1,003.00
KOTZEBUE	6	20	6,485.00	29	9,501.00	5	24,444.00
NOATAK	2	13	3,674.00	8	2,680.00	0	6,354.00
NOORVIK	1	17	7,227.00	5	2,251.00	4	12,806.00
POINT HOPE	0	10	6,702.00	6	3,224.00	3	13,043.00
SELAWIK	1	12	5,481.00	8	5,556.00	8	17,706.00
SHURGNAK	0	9	2,842.00	6	3,117.00	0	5,959.00
DISTRICT TOTAL ***	14	112	46,300.00	90	38,722.00	32	119,055.00
REGION TOTAL ***	14	112	46,300.00	90	38,722.00	32	119,055.00



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REGION : NOME ONLY  
DISTRICT : 46

VILLAGE	AEDC ZERO GRANT	AEDC ONLY	ES ONLY	AEDC ONLY	ES ONLY	-----COMBINED-----	FS	TOTAL
STEBBINS	0	7,684.00	13	6,166.00	4	2,257.00	2,651.00	18,758.00
JELLER	0	3,417.00	5	4,870.00	0	0.00	0.00	8,287.00
UNALAKLEET	0	6,302.00	11	4,997.00	8	4,979.00	1,969.00	18,267.00
MALES	0	2,889.00	5	926.00	3	657.00	149.00	4,621.00
WHITE MOUNTAIN	0	2,403.00	4	4,284.00	9	3,154.00	1,348.00	11,189.00
DISTRICT TOTAL ***	2	84,349.00	162	69,719.00	65	41,440.00	28,529.00	224,037.00
REGION TOTAL ***	2	84,349.00	162	69,719.00	65	41,440.00	28,529.00	224,037.00

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REGION : NORTHERN  
DISTRICT : 41

VILLAGE	AEDC ZERO GRANT	AEDC ONLY	FS ONLY	AEDC COMBINED	FS	TOTAL
ARCTIC VILLAGE	0	0.00	0.00	1	412.00	1,318.00
CENTRAL	0	0.00	3	0	0.00	632.00
COLLEGE	0	605.00	0	0	0.00	605.00
ESTER	0	0.00	0	1	135.00	792.00
FAIRBANKS	7	114,052.00	65,183.00	382	270,015.00	513,634.00
FOX	0	0.00	1	0	0.00	111.00
GLENWALLEN	0	657.00	0	0	0.00	657.00
JUREAU	0	0.00	1	0	0.00	121.00
LIVENGOOD	0	0.00	1	1	829.00	1,976.00
MT. VILLAGE	0	0.00	0	1	249.00	661.00
NORTH POLE	0	20,403.00	16,072.00	54	36,020.00	82,965.00
SALCHA	0	0.00	1	3	786.00	3,117.00
TWO RIVERS	0	823.00	2	0	0.00	1,599.00
DISTRICT TOTAL ***	7	136,540.00	83,164.00	443	77,265.00	608,188.00

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REGION : NORTHERN  
DISTRICT : 43

VILLAGE	ZERO GRANT	AEDC ONLY	AEDC ONLY	ES ONLY	AFDC	ES	COMBINED	TOTAL
ARCTIC VILLAGE	0	740.00	1	5	3,129.00	4	1,341.00	10 6,379.00
BEAVER	0	0.00	0	2	2,582.00	1	830.00	3 3,855.00
BIRCH CREEK	0	261.00	1	5	823.00	1	337.00	7 4,082.00
CHALKYITSIK	0	0.00	0	8	2,364.00	4	1,226.00	12 6,116.00
FAIRBANKS	0	0.00	0	0	657.00	1	63.00	1 720.00
FORT YUKON	0	5,805.00	10	54	9,023.00	14	3,827.00	78 35,818.00
VENETIE	0	3,359.00	7	8	8,036.00	10	5,464.00	25 19,646.00
DISTRICT TOTAL ***	0	10,165.00	19	82	26,614.00	35	13,088.00	136 76,616.00

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DISTRICT : 44

VILLAGE	AFDC			ES		TOTAL
	ZERO GRANT	ONLY	ONLY	ONLY	COMBINED	
ALLAKAKET	0	1	6	2	2	5,123.00
ANAKTUVIK PASS	0	0	0	3	3	1,896.00
ANDERSON	0	0	2	1	1	2,386.00
		0.00	1,797.00	340.00		
BARROW	0	20	14	11	11	28,592.00
		12,336.00	4,763.00	7,868.00	3,625.00	
CANTWELL	0	1	1	2	2	2,619.00
		790.00	191.00	1,180.00	458.00	
CENTRAL	0	0	1	2	2	2,421.00
		0.00	290.00	1,397.00	754.00	
CHICKEN	0	0	1	0	0	338.00
		0.00	338.00	0.00	0.00	
CIRCLE	0	1	1	2	2	2,757.00
		633.00	158.00	1,480.00	486.00	
CLEAR	0	1	3	2	2	3,123.00
		361.00	651.00	1,480.00	631.00	
DELIA JUNCTION	0	17	30	32	32	46,011.00
		10,881.00	7,002.00	22,273.00	5,855.00	
DOT LAKE	0	0	0	1	1	1,029.00
		0.00	0.00	740.00	289.00	
EAGLE	0	0	11	7	7	8,257.00
		0.00	2,845.00	4,638.00	774.00	
EIELSON AFB	0	2	14	0	0	3,386.00
		1,258.00	2,128.00	0.00	0.00	
FAIRBANKS	0	0	1	1	1	1,161.00
		0.00	111.00	790.00	260.00	
FORT GREELY	0	0	5	0	0	607.00
		0.00	607.00	0.00	0.00	
FT. MAINWRIGHT	0	1	13	0	0	2,355.00
		261.00	2,094.00	0.00	0.00	

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VILLAGE	AEDC ZERO GRANT	AEDC ONLY	FS ONLY	AEDC -----COMBINED-----	FS -----	TOTAL		
GALENA	0	4,795.00	8	1,671.00	2	850.00	17	11,478.00
HEALY	0	261.00	5	1,730.00	3	654.00	9	4,997.00
HUGHES	0	0.00	1	0.00	0	0.00	1	389.00
HUSLIA	0	4,548.00	5	1,397.00	2	525.00	15	10,276.00
KALTAG	0	5,701.00	10	823.00	1	443.00	21	11,340.00
KOYUKUK	0	1,100.00	5	657.00	1	189.00	7	4,149.00
MANLEY HOT SPRN	0	823.00	5	657.00	1	190.00	7	4,061.00
MENTASTA LAKE	0	1,297.00	3	0.00	0	0.00	5	1,592.00
MINTO	0	6,972.00	9	5,138.00	7	2,136.00	23	17,179.00
NENANA	0	1,314.00	17	6,415.00	8	2,655.00	27	16,892.00
NORTHWAY	0	2,088.00	14	2,054.00	3	1,097.00	23	9,945.00
NUIQSUT	0	2,097.00	1	0.00	0	0.00	5	2,516.00
NULATO	0	6,344.00	8	2,759.00	4	1,352.00	23	17,074.00
RAMPART	0	0.00	6	0.00	0	0.00	6	2,708.00
RUBY	0	4,270.00	2	1,029.00	2	586.00	9	6,817.00
SALCHA	0	0.00	2	740.00	1	200.00	3	1,162.00

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DISTRICT : 44

VILLAGE	AEDC ZERO GRANT	AEDC ONLY	ES ONLY	AEDC ONLY	ES ONLY	-----COMBINED-----	FS	TOTAL
STEVENS VILLAGE	0	2,137.00	1,823.00	2,354.00	9	4	1,274.00	7,588.00
TANACROSS	0	2,079.00	996.00	0.00	6	0	0.00	3,075.00
TANANA	0	1,275.00	3,407.00	1,971.00	11	3	476.00	7,129.00
TETLIN	0	2,576.00	998.00	1,646.00	4	2	493.00	5,713.00
TOK	0	3,627.00	5,800.00	12,246.00	29	17	2,789.00	24,462.00
WAINWRIGHT	0	5,952.00	1,253.00	0.00	5	0	0.00	7,205.00
WISEMAN	0	0.00	0.00	657.00	0	1	386.00	1,043.00
DISTRICT TOTAL ***	0	86,433.00	84,775.00	88,640.00	268	128	31,003.00	290,851.00
REGION TOTAL ***	7	233,138.00	194,688.00	426,473.00	869	606	121,356.00	975,655.00

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DISTRICT : 76

VILLAGE	AEDC			ES		TOTAL
	ZERO GRANT	ONLY	ONLY	ONLY	COMBINED	
ANCHOR POINT	0	5	29	14	48	22,958.00
		2,768.00	8,346.00	9,359.00	2,485.00	
CLAW GULCH	0	1	1	1	3	1,404.00
		165.00	184.00	762.00	293.00	
COOPER LANDING	0	1	0	1	2	734.00
		16.00	0.00	346.00	372.00	
ENGLISH BAY	0	1	1	0	2	372.00
		261.00	111.00	0.00	0.00	
HOMER	0	17	86	49	152	73,877.00
		9,345.00	18,259.00	36,489.00	9,784.00	
HOPE	0	0	3	4	7	3,573.00
		0.00	275.00	2,443.00	855.00	
KASLOF	0	5	11	2	18	8,399.00
		3,249.00	3,099.00	1,563.00	488.00	
KENAI	1	45	101	119	266	145,319.00
		23,739.00	19,992.00	82,436.00	19,152.00	
MOOSE PASS	0	0	1	0	1	174.00
		0.00	174.00	0.00	0.00	
NIKISHKA	0	7	17	8	32	15,055.00
		3,945.00	4,299.00	5,259.00	1,552.00	
NINILCHIK	0	5	4	6	15	9,113.00
		1,987.00	630.00	4,682.00	1,814.00	
PORT GRAHAM	0	1	2	0	3	644.00
		271.00	373.00	0.00	0.00	
SELDOVIA	0	3	5	3	11	5,395.00
		1,507.00	467.00	2,615.00	806.00	
SEWARD	0	10	17	16	43	22,893.00
		4,957.00	3,287.00	11,546.00	3,103.00	
SOLDOTNA	1	38	85	69	193	97,034.00
		22,285.00	16,314.00	45,647.00	12,788.00	
STERLING	0	5	21	12	38	15,531.00
		2,513.00	4,685.00	5,858.00	2,475.00	

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REGION 1 SOUTHCENTRAL  
DISTRICT : 76

VILLAGE	AEDC ZERO GRANT	AEDC ONLY	ES ONLY	AEDC -----COMBINED-----	ES	TOTAL
DISTRICT TOTAL ***	2	77,008.00	80,495.00	209,005.00	304	422,475.00
		144	384			834

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VILLAGE	AFDC ZERO GRANT	AFDC ONLY	FS ONLY	AFDC COMBINED	FS TOTAL	
ANCHORAGE	0	0.00	3	1,971.00	379.00	2,701.00
BIG LAKE	1	3,625.00	20	8,574.00	2,575.00	19,810.00
CHICKALOON	0	0.00	1	1,447.00	422.00	2,241.00
EAGLE RIVER	0	0.00	1	0.00	0.00	375.00
HOUSTON	0	2,913.00	12	5,094.00	1,327.00	12,081.00
PALMER	0	23,412.00	106	76,831.00	20,873.00	144,137.00
SKWENTNA	0	657.00	2	0.00	0.00	1,447.00
SUTTON	0	1,440.00	11	3,520.00	1,277.00	8,607.00
TALKEETNA	0	119.00	14	6,369.00	1,432.00	10,262.00
TRAPPERS CREEK	0	1,314.00	14	3,706.00	1,066.00	9,841.00
WASILLA	2	38,294.00	161	111,329.00	30,523.00	217,166.00
WILLOW	0	4,410.00	22	13,303.00	4,114.00	27,099.00
DISTRICT TOTAL ***	3	76,184.00	367	232,144.00	63,988.00	455,767.00

REGION : SOUTHCENTRAL  
DISTRICT : 82

VILLAGE	AEDC ZERO GRANT	AEDC ONLY	ES ONLY	AEDC -----COMBINED-----	ES	TOTAL
AKHIOK	0	1,165.00	2 814.00	1 657.00	1 80.00	2,716.00
AIKFNAGIK	0	261.00	2 685.00	0 0.00	0 0.00	946.00
ANCHORAGE	0	0.00	1 204.00	0 0.00	0 0.00	204.00
ATKA	0	0.00	5 1,148.00	0 0.00	0 0.00	1,148.00
CHENEGA	0	0.00	1 243.00	0 0.00	0 0.00	243.00
CHIGNIK	0	0.00	2 2,503.00	0 0.00	0 0.00	2,503.00
CHIGNIK LAKE	0	657.00	3 1,851.00	3 1,982.00	904.00	5,394.00
CHITINA	0	0.00	11 1,054.00	4 2,577.00	724.00	4,355.00
CLARKS POINT	0	657.00	1 337.00	1 538.00	1 245.00	1,777.00
COLD BAY	0	0.00	1 172.00	0 0.00	0 0.00	172.00
COPPER CENTER	0	1,281.00	4 3,361.00	13 8,119.00	13 2,492.00	15,253.00
CORDOVA	0	3,707.00	6 2,530.00	15 8,155.00	15 2,464.00	16,856.00
DILLINGHAM	0	6,876.00	11 1,515.00	13 11,501.00	13 4,209.00	24,101.00
DUICH HARBOR	0	0.00	0 0.00	1 515.00	1 171.00	686.00
EGEGIK	0	0.00	3 870.00	0 0.00	0 0.00	870.00
EKWOK	0	567.00	4 1,591.00	3 2,833.00	3 1,379.00	6,370.00

REGION : SOUTHCENTRAL  
DISTRICT : 82

VILLAGE	AEDC ZERO GRANT	AEDC ONLY	ES ONLY	AEDC ONLY	ES ONLY	ES COMBINED	TOTAL
FALSE PASS	0	1	0	1	1	130.00	1,693.00
GAKONA	0	7	4	723.00	2	512.00	6,167.00
GLENNALLEN	0	4	4	1,587.00	0	0.00	4,734.00
ILLIAMNA	0	1	1	516.00	0	0.00	1,140.00
KARLUK	0	2	2	934.00	1	80.00	2,589.00
KING COVE	0	0	0	0.00	1	233.00	1,270.00
KODIAK	1	34	84	22,362.00	40	6,407.00	70,917.00
KOKHANDK	0	1	1	624.00	1	415.00	1,774.00
KOLIGANEK	0	2	7	929.00	1	327.00	6,209.00
LARSEN BAY	0	10	1	6,501.00	5	732.00	8,935.00
LEVELOCK	0	0	1	0.00	0	0.00	2,224.00
MANOKOTAK	0	4	4	1,440.00	0	0.00	4,347.00
MCGRATH	0	1	3	850.00	1	412.00	3,241.00
NAKNEK	0	0	2	0.00	0	0.00	1,718.00
NEW STUYAHOK	0	9	6	6,059.00	2	848.00	12,792.00
NIKOLAI	0	0	3	0.00	1	415.00	2,401.00

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DISTRICT : 82

VILLAGE	AEDC			AEDC			AEDC			TOTAL	
	ZERO GRANT	ONLY	ONLY	ZERO GRANT	ONLY	ONLY	ZERO GRANT	ONLY	ONLY		
NONDALTON	0	740.00	1	0	4,378.00	4	657.00	1	648.00	6	6,423.00
OLD HARBOR	0	2,315.00	4	0	3,285.00	15	4,135.00	5	1,204.00	24	10,939.00
OUZINKIE	0	0.00	0	0	1,521.00	4	3,753.00	2	405.00	6	5,679.00
PALMER	0	0.00	0	0	526.00	2	657.00	1	103.00	3	1,286.00
PEDRO BAY	0	0.00	0	0	918.00	2	823.00	1	436.00	3	2,177.00
PERRYVILLE	0	173.00	1	0	311.00	2	0.00	0	0.00	3	484.00
PORT HEIDEN	0	0.00	0	0	1,033.00	3	0.00	0	0.00	3	1,033.00
PORT LIONS	0	259.00	1	0	427.00	3	1,473.00	3	578.00	7	2,737.00
SAINT GEORGE	0	1,345.00	2	0	372.00	1	0.00	0	0.00	3	1,717.00
SAINT PAUL IS.	0	657.00	1	0	111.00	1	675.00	1	182.00	3	1,625.00
SAND POINT	0	478.00	1	0	775.00	4	1,480.00	2	300.00	7	3,033.00
SLANA	0	443.00	1	0	4,673.00	20	3,244.00	5	858.00	26	9,218.00
SOUTH NAKNEK	0	261.00	1	0	1,780.00	4	1,084.00	2	640.00	7	3,765.00
TAKOINA	0	711.00	1	0	142.00	1	823.00	1	361.00	3	2,037.00
TATITLEK	0	0.00	0	0	175.00	1	3,138.00	5	575.00	6	3,888.00
TOGIAC	0	8,156.00	10	0	5,959.00	9	833.00	2	1,164.00	21	16,112.00

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REGION : SOUTHCENTRAL  
DISTRICT : 82

VILLAGE	AEDC		ES		COMBINED		TOTAL
	ZERO GRANT	ONLY	ONLY	ONLY		FS	
TYONEK	0	0.00	4	970.00	1	63.00	5 1,690.00
UNALASKA	0	605.00	3	639.00	2	301.00	6 2,431.00
VALDEZ	1	4,012.00	5	5,889.00	9	1,878.00	44 17,550.00
DISTRICT TOTAL ***	2	83,320.00	132	90,292.00	153	32,875.00	598 309,569.00
REGION TOTAL ***	7	237,012.00	395	254,238.00	779	152,830.00	2243 1,187,811.00

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REGION 1 SOUTHEAST  
DISTRICT : 20

VILLAGE	AEDC ZERO GRANT	AEDC ONLY	FS ONLY	AEDC ONLY	FS ONLY	-----COMBINED-----	FS	TOTAL
GUSTAVUS	0	0.00	1	372.00	0	0.00	1	372.00
HODNAH	0	6,647.00	15	4,042.00	7	1,714.00	31	16,051.00
KAKE	0	6,725.00	6	1,745.00	7	1,375.00	24	13,510.00
PELICAN	0	0.00	1	239.00	1	125.00	2	1,104.00
PETERSBURG	0	7,241.00	23	5,527.00	14	2,569.00	49	22,965.00
DISTRICI TOTAL ***	0	20,613.00	32	11,925.00	29	5,783.00	107	54,002.00

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REGION : SOUTHEAST  
DISTRICT : 21

VILLAGE	AEDC ZERO GRANT	AEDC ONLY	ES ONLY	AEDC COMBINED	ES TOTAL
ANGOON	0	0.00	1 399.00	0 0.00	1 399.00
AUKE BAY	0	0.00	3 333.00	1 1,031.00	4 1,643.00
DOUGLAS	0	3,060.00	7 733.00	19 11,464.00	32 17,984.00
HAINES	0	4,620.00	43 8,692.00	24 18,454.00	78 37,679.00
JUNEAU	4	43,708.00	164 26,435.00	153 105,498.00	398 203,687.00
KLUKWAN	0	0.00	2 404.00	1 989.00	3 1,684.00
SKAGWAY	0	1,492.00	8 1,364.00	5 3,063.00	16 6,530.00
YAKUTAT	0	2,545.00	8 2,222.00	3 2,220.00	15 7,583.00
DISTRICT TOTAL ***	4	55,425.00	236 40,582.00	206 142,719.00	547 277,189.00

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REGION : SOUTHEAST  
DISTRICT : 22

VILLAGE	AEDC		ES		ES		TOTAL
	ZERO GRANT	ONLY	ONLY	ONLY	COMBINED	-----	
ANGOON	0	17 10,532.00	7 1,714.00	9 5,699.00	1,786.00	33 19,751.00	
JUNEAU	0	0.00	0	0	279.00	1,128.00	
KENNEWICK	0	1 657.00	0	0	0.00	1 657.00	
MT. EDGEcumBE	0	1 657.00	0	0	0.00	1 657.00	
PORT ALEXANDER	0	1 657.00	5 718.00	0	0.00	6 1,375.00	
SITKA	1	46 26,292.00	46 7,132.00	35 23,334.00	5,979.00	128 62,737.00	
TENAKEE	0	0 0.00	1 111.00	0	0.00	1 111.00	
DISTRICT TOTAL ***	1	66 38,795.00	59 9,675.00	45 29,882.00	8,044.00	171 86,396.00	

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REGION : SOUTHEAST  
DISTRICT : 23

VILLAGE	AEDC ZERO GRANT	AEDC ONLY	ES ONLY	AEDC COMBINED	FS	TOTAL
ANCHORAGE	0	0.00	10.00	0	0.00	10.00
CRAIG	0	2,296.00	1,093.00	12	1,728.00	13,420.00
EDNA BAY	0	0.00	609.00	0	0.00	609.00
HYDABURG	1	3,723.00	1,895.00	8	1,303.00	12,536.00
HYDER	0	0.00	204.00	0	0.00	204.00
KASAAN	0	1,634.00	0.00	1	118.00	2,409.00
KETCHIKAN	0	33,786.00	24,417.00	120	22,449.00	159,263.00
KLAWOCK	0	902.00	1,991.00	3	1,014.00	6,784.00
METLAKATLA	0	10,039.00	2,374.00	8	1,421.00	18,165.00
MYERS CHUCK	0	0.00	1,121.00	0	0.00	1,121.00
POINT BAKER	0	0.00	483.00	1	111.00	1,426.00
SAXMAN	0	740.00	0.00	1	228.00	1,487.00
THORNE BAY	0	1,447.00	866.00	2	361.00	3,625.00
WARD COVE	0	591.00	779.00	2	396.00	2,712.00
WIRANGELL	0	3,871.00	5,190.00	41	6,107.00	44,075.00

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REGION : SOUTHEAST  
DISTRICT : 23

VILLAGE	AEDC ZERO GRANT	AEDC ONLY	ES ONLY	AEDC ONLY	ES ONLY	-----COMBINED-----	ES	TOTAL
DISTRICT TOTAL ***	1	59,029.00	41,032.00	258	199	132,549.00	35,236.00	267,846.00
REGION TOTAL ***	6	173,862.00	103,214.00	599	479	320,831.00	87,526.00	685,433.00



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REGION 1 SOUTHWEST  
DISTRICT 51

VILLAGE	AEDC ZERO GRANT	AEDC ONLY	AEDC ONLY	FS ONLY	-----COMBINED-----	FS	TOTAL
HOOPER BAY	0	24,766.00	43	16,879.00	38	13	56,147.00
KALSKAG (LOWER)	0	3,283.00	5	7,601.00	15	8	19,653.00
KALSKAG (UPPER)	0	1,981.00	4	2,490.00	7	6	9,868.00
KASIGLUK	0	8,286.00	13	12,000.00	20	4	23,775.00
KIPNUK	1	5,197.00	7	13,563.00	31	2	21,535.00
KONGIGANAK	0	542.00	2	3,476.00	7	1	5,258.00
KOTLIK	0	5,666.00	11	9,320.00	17	4	20,000.00
KWETHLUK	0	7,155.00	12	14,952.00	28	3	26,128.00
KWIGILLINGOK	0	918.00	2	3,520.00	7	0	4,438.00
LIME VILLAGE	0	0.00	0	916.00	2	0	916.00
MCGRATH	0	0.00	0	64.00	1	0	64.00
MEKORYUK	0	2,037.00	4	3,495.00	9	1	6,410.00
MT. VILLAGE	0	8,282.00	16	11,696.00	20	12	32,313.00
NAPAKIAK	0	4,135.00	7	7,122.00	14	3	14,067.00
NAPASKIAK	0	261.00	1	9,190.00	18	6	16,127.00
NEWTOK	0	1,846.00	4	6,437.00	11	2	10,649.00

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REGION : SOUTHWEST  
DISTRICT : 51

VILLAGE	AEDC		ES		COMBINED		TOTAL
	ZERO GRANT	ONLY	ONLY	ES			
NIGHTMUTE	0	3	1,018.00	3	0.00	0	2,629.00
NUNAPIITCHUK	0	9	10,760.00	18	1,360.00	3	17,135.00
OSCARVILLE	0	0	3,026.00	7	657.00	1	3,829.00
PILOT STATION	0	10	17,548.00	32	5,700.00	9	32,187.00
PITKA'S POINT	0	2	1,726.00	3	465.00	1	4,158.00
PLAININUM	0	0	1,539.00	3	1,037.00	2	3,262.00
QUINHAGAK	0	15	10,894.00	22	3,691.00	6	24,306.00
RED DEVIL	0	0	158.00	1	0.00	0	158.00
RUSSIAN MISSION	0	4	10,288.00	20	4,561.00	6	19,954.00
SAINT MARYS	0	8	5,106.00	9	7,365.00	10	21,645.00
SCAMMON BAY	0	9	4,807.00	11	3,436.00	4	14,910.00
SHAGELUK	0	4	3,509.00	9	303.00	1	6,399.00
SHELDON POINT	0	2	2,303.00	4	1,250.00	2	5,338.00
SLEEIMUTE	0	1	5,315.00	13	661.00	2	7,331.00
STONY RIVER	0	4	940.00	4	0.00	0	3,125.00
TOKSOOK BAY	0	10	6,376.00	11	4,083.00	1	17,186.00

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REGION : SOUTHWEST  
DISTRICT : 51

VILLAGE	AEDC		ES		AEDC		ES		TOTAL
	ZERO GRANT	ONLY	ONLY	COMBINED	ONLY	COMBINED	ONLY	COMBINED	
TULUKSAK	0	11 6,833.00	25 14,086.00	5 4,090.00	5 2,595.00	5 27,604.00	41		
TUNJULIAK	0	5 3,418.00	14 7,784.00	2 1,179.00	2 1,040.00	21 13,421.00	26		
TUNUNAK	0	12 6,454.00	14 5,898.00	0 0.00	0 0.00	26 12,352.00			
DISTRICT TOTAL ***	2	414 233,215.00	720 349,558.00	238 159,117.00	238 95,169.00	1374 837,059.00			

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REGION : SOUTHWEST  
DISTRICT : 51

VILLAGE	AEDC ZERO GRANT	AEDC ONLY	AEDC ONLY	ES ONLY	-----COMBINED-----	ES	TOTAL
REGION TOTAL ***	2	233,215.00	414	720	238	95,169.00	1374 837,059.00





ADOPTED AUGUST 1972

# CITY of WRANGELL, ALASKA

INCORPORATED JUNE 15, 1903

BOX 531, 99929 (907) 874-2381

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April 16, 1986

Senator Edna DeVries  
CNRA Committee  
Attention: Trudy Alford  
Pouch V  
Juneau, AK 99811

Re: Sales Tax Exemption for Food Stamp Purchases

Dear Senator DeVries:

After conferring with our local grocery stores, the best estimate we can come up with is an \$8,000 to \$9,000 loss in revenue for the City if Food Stamp purchases are exempt from Sales Tax.

Sincerely,

Jeff Jabusch  
Finance Director

JJ:fv



# CITY OF PALMER



231 W EVERGREEN AVE  
PALMER, ALASKA 99645



Phone (907) 745-3271

A HOME RULE CITY

April 2, 1986

The Honorable Max F. Gruenberg, Jr.  
Co-Chair, Health, Education & Social Services  
Room 112 Capitol  
Box V  
Juneau, Alaska 99811

RE: HB 697 Prohibiting Sales Tax on Food Stamps

Dear Representative Gruenberg,

I would like to express my displeasure with HB 697 whereby food stamps are exempt from local sales tax.

By virtue of this bill, anyone who is gainfully employed and pays the sales tax is basically relegated to a second class citizen. What is being said, it is better to be poor so that the tax burden is paid by taxpayers who will pick up everyone's share of providing services.

Is the State going to reimburse the municipalities for the lost revenue?

With declining State revenues, there is no municipality which can afford to give free service to any group, irregardless. The State continually wants to shift the burden of providing services to local government without monetary remuneration. We as cities cannot continue to carry this burden.

We ask that you analyze HB 697 and vote against the exemption of food stamps from sales tax.

Should you have any questions, please contact me.

Yours truly,

*David L. Soulak/cac*

David L. Soulak  
City Manager  
City of Palmer

DLS/cac

cc: ✓ Scott Burgess  
Mayor Carte'  
Senator Kerttula

Senator DeVries  
Representative Hurley  
Representative Larson

Offered: 4/1/86  
Referred: Rules

Original sponsor: Health, Education and  
Social Services Committee

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND  
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 697 (HBSS)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act prohibiting municipal sales tax on purchases  
7 made with food stamps; and providing for an effective  
8 date."

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

10 \* Section 1. AS 29.10.200(40) is amended to read:

11 (40) AS 29.45.650(c), AND (d), and (f) (sales and use tax)

12 \* Sec. 2. AS 29.10.200 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

13 (47) AS 29.45.700(a) (power of levy)

14 \* Sec. 3. AS 29.45.650(a) is amended to read:

15 (a) Except as provided in (f) of this section, a [A] borough may  
16 levy and collect a sales tax not exceeding six percent on sales,  
17 rents, and on services provided in the borough. The sales tax may  
18 apply to any or all of these sources. Exemptions may be granted by  
19 ordinance.

20 \* Sec. 4. AS 29.45.650 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

21 (f) A borough may not levy and collect a sales tax on a purchase  
22 made with food coupons, food stamps, or other type of certificate  
23 issued under 7 U.S.C. 2011 - 2025 (Food Stamp Act). This subsection  
24 applies to home rule and general law municipalities.

25 \* Sec. 5. AS 29.45.700(a) is amended to read:

26 (a) A city in a borough that levies and collects areawide sales  
27 and use taxes may levy sales and use taxes on all sources taxed by the  
28 borough in the manner provided for boroughs. The [, EXCEPT THAT THE]  
29 assembly may by ordinance authorize a city to levy and collect sales

1 and use taxes on other sources except purchases made with food cou-  
2 pons, food stamps, or other type of certificate issued under 7 U.S.C.  
3 2011 - 2025 (Food Stamp Act). This subsection applies to home rule  
4 and general law municipalities.

5 \* Sec. 6. This Act takes effect October 1, 1986.  
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