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SB 90: Sectional Analysis

Section 1) Amends AS 44.33.020 (Duties of the Department of Commerce and Economic Development) to provide for the administration of grants to community and regional governments, non profit organizations, or grants for the benefit of unorganized regions in the state.

Section 2) July 1, 1985 effective date.

BILL SHEFFIELD
GOVERNOR



STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
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January 23, 1985

The Honorable Don Bennett
President of the Senate
Alaska State Legislature
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Dear Senator Bennett:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill that confers on the Department of Commerce and Economic Development the power to make grants of state money for purposes authorized by law. The department has been advised by the attorney general that its authority over, and administration of, grants could be improved if specific statutory authority for those purposes is enacted. This authorization would confer the power to implement the grants by administrative regulation. Too often grants are awarded without specific standards in place to assure performance of the grant agreement or fairness to persons seeking to obtain state financial assistance.

I hope that the legislature will view this bill favorably. It is time that a concerted effort is made to account for each dollar that is given out to achieve public purposes. Unless we provide for more formality in these transactions, it will be difficult to assure that the intent of the legislature is met.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bill Sheffield".

Bill Sheffield
Governor

Chairman's Information:

- 1) SB 90: "An act relating to the power of the Department of Commerce and Economic Development to administer appropriations for grants; and providing for an effective date."
 - a) Introduced: Governor
 - b) Co-Sponsors:
- 2) INTENT: This legislation was introduced by the governor to confer statutory authority for DCED to impliment grants by administrative regulation.

Question: What standards and procedures would the Department envision adopting for the implimentation of grants?

FISCAL NOTES: 0

NOTE: In conversation with Jeff Smith, DCRA, he indicated no problem with the bill.

- 3) COMMITTEE COMMENTS:
- 4) PUBLIC HEARINGS:
 - a) Sponsor
 - b) Public witnesses:
- 5) BILL ACTION:
 - a) Hold in committee?
 - b) Assign to sub committe for further review?
 - c) Move from Committee?
 - d) close public hearings?
- 6) COMMITTEE ACTION:
 - a) amendments?
 - b) CS adoption?



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SB 90: "AN ACT RELATING TO THE POWER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO ADMINISTER APPROPRIATIONS FOR GRANTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE"

THIS LEGISLATION, INTRODUCED BY THE GOVERNOR, EXPANDS THE DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BY CONFERRING STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF GRANTS BY ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION.

STATE OF ALASKA 1985 LEGISLATIVE SESSION
FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date: _____

REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 90
 Title: Relating to power of Dept.
of Commerce & Econ. Dev. grants
 Sponsor: Rules/Governor
 Requestor: _____
 Date of Request: _____

FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected: Commerce & Econ. Dev.
 Program Category Affected: _____
Economic Development
 BRU, Program or Subprogram(s) Affected: _____
departmentwide

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 85	FY 86	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90
OPERATING						
100 PERSONAL SERVICES						
200 TRAVEL						
300 CONTRACTUAL						
400 SUPPLIES						
500 EQUIPMENT						
600 LAND & STRUCTURES						
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS						
800 MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
CAPITAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
REVENUE						

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS: Attach a separate page if necessary

This bill does not require an appropriation. It provides the authority for the department to administer grants when such funds are appropriated.

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 Division: Administrative Services Date: 12/14/84
 Approved by Commissioner: Richard A. Lvon Date: 12/11/84
 Agency: Commerce and Economic Development

Distribution (by Agency preparing fiscal note):

Legislative Finance
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 Requestor
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 Impacted Agency(ies)

Fiscal Note

STATUTES RELATED TO SB 90

AS44.33.020

CHAPTER = 44.33
SECTION = 44.33.020
TITLE = 44

HEADINGS TITLE 44.
State Government.
CHAPTER 33.
Department of Commerce and Economic Development.
ARTICLE 1.
Organization.

CITATION Sec. 44.33.020.

CATCH LINE

DUTIES OF DEPARTMENT.

TEXT The Department of Commerce and Economic Development shall

- (1) administer the state programs relating to commerce, enforce the laws relating to these programs, and adopt regulations under these laws;
- (2) register corporations;
- (3) collect corporation franchise taxes;
- (4) enforce state laws regulating public utilities and other public service enterprises, banking and securities, insurance, and other businesses and enterprises touched with a public interest;
- (5) make veterans' loans;
- (6) inspect weights and measures;
- (7) promote and develop civil aviation;
- (8) furnish the budgeting, clerical and administrative services for regulatory agencies and professional and occupational licensing boards not otherwise provided for;
- (9) Repealed, E.O. No. 39 sec. 13 (1977).
- (10) Repealed, E.O. No. 33 (1968).
- (11) Before the commencement of each calendar quarter, furnish lending institutions, title insurance companies, mortgage companies and clerks of the respective superior courts with the 12th Federal Reserve District discount rate that is to be used during that calendar quarter for computing the maximum rate of interest under AS 45.45.010(b);
- (12) conduct studies, enter into contracts and agreements, and make surveys relating to the economic development of the state and, when appropriate, assemble, analyze, and disseminate the findings obtained;

AS44.33.020 (cont.)

(13) provide factual information and technical assistance for potential industrial and commercial investors;

(14) receive gifts, grants, and other aid that facilitate the powers and duties of the department from agencies and instrumentalities of the United States or other public or private sources;

(15) establish and activate programs to achieve balanced economic development in the state and advise the governor on economic development policy matters;

(16) formulate a continuing program for basic economic development and for the necessary promotion, planning and research that will advance the economic development of the state;

(17) cooperate with private, governmental and other public institutions and agencies in the execution of economic development programs;

(18) review the programs and annual reports of other departments and agencies as they are related to economic development and prepare an annual report on the economic growth of the state;

(19) administer the economic development programs of the state;

(20) perform all other duties and powers necessary or proper in relation to economic development and planning for the state;

(21) request tourism-related businesses in the state to provide data regarding occupancy levels, traffic flow and gross receipts and to participate in visitor surveys conducted by the department; data collected under this paragraph which discloses the particulars of an individual business is not a matter of public record and shall be kept confidential; however, this restriction does not prevent the department from using the data to formulate tourism economic impact information including expenditure patterns, tax receipts and fees, employment and income attributable to tourism, and other information considered relevant to the planning, evaluation and policy direction of tourism in the state.

(22) Repealed, E.O. No. 47, sec. 6 (1980).

(23) administer the program of state assistance for the construction and development of cultural facilities in accordance with AS 44.33.401 44.33.417;

(24) provide administrative and budgetary services to the Real Estate Commission (AS 08.88) as requested by the commission;

(25) operate motor vehicle weighing stations, issue special written permits authorizing the operation of overweight and oversize vehicles, establish fees for the overweight and oversize vehicle special permits, enforce the size, weight, and load limitations adopted by the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities under AS 19.10.060, and establish regulations relating to pilot car services and

AS44.33.020 (cont.)

the enforcement of the size, weight, and load limitations adopted under AS 19.10.060;

(26) administer the Alaska Foreign Offices established by AS 44.33.530.

HISTORY (Sec. 14 ch 64 SLA 1959; am sec. 6 ch 186 SLA 1960; am sec. 2 ch 1 SLA 1961; am sec. 2 ch 55 SLA 1963; am sec. 2 ch 70 SLA 1965; am E.O. No. 33 (1968); am sec. 4 ch 94 SLA 1969; am sec. 6 ch 207 SLA 1975; am sec. 1 ch 116 SLA 1976; am sec. 96 ch 218 SLA 1976; am E.O. No. 39, sec. 13 (1977); am E.O. No. 40, sec. 2 (1979); am sec. 4 ch 62 SLA 1979; am E.O. No. 47, sec. 6 (1980); am sec. 33 ch 167 SLA 1980; am sec. 1 ch 77 SLA 1982; am E.O. No. 57, sec. 2 (1984); am sec. 1 ch 120 SLA 1984)

AS45.45.010

CHAPTER = 45.45
SECTION = 45.45.010
TITLE = 45

HEADINGS TITLE 45.
Trade and Commerce.
CHAPTER 45.
Trade Practices.
ARTICLE 1.
Interest.

CITATION Sec. 45.45.010.

CATCH LINE LEGAL RATE OF INTEREST.

TEXT (a) The rate of interest in the state is 10.5 percent a year and no more on money after it is due except as provided in (b) of this section.

(b) No interest may be charged by express agreement of the parties in a contract or loan commitment which is more than five percentage points above the annual rate charged member banks for advances by the 12th Federal Reserve District on the day on which the contract or loan commitment is made. A contract or loan commitment in which the principal amount exceeds \$25,000 is exempt from the limitation of this subsection.

(c) Repealed, sec. 3 ch 84 SLA 1973.

(d) Repealed, sec. 2 ch 94 SLA 1981.

(e) Repealed, sec. 4 ch 146 SLA 1974.

(f) No bank, credit union, savings and loan institution, pension fund, insurance company or mortgage company may require or accept any percent of ownership or profits above its interest rate. This subsection does not apply to a loan if the principal amount of the loan is \$1,000,000 or more and the term of the loan is five years or more.

(g) Loan contracts and commitments covering one to four-family dwellings may be prepaid without penalty, except federally insured loans that require a prepayment penalty.

AS45.45.010 (cont.)

(h) If the limitations on interest rates provided for in this section are inconsistent with the provisions of any other statute covering maximum interest, service charges or discount rates then the provisions of the other statute prevail.

HISTORY (Sec. 25-1-1 ACLA 1949; am sec. 20 ch 143 SLA 1968; am sec. 2 ch 69 SLA 1969; am secs. 1, 2 ch 94 SLA 1969; am secs. 1, 2 ch 239 SLA 1970; am secs. 1 - 3 ch 84 SLA 1973; am secs. 1 4 ch 146 SLA 1974; am sec. 1 ch 110 SLA 1976; am sec. 1 ch 159 SLA 1976; am sec. 2 ch 107 SLA 1980; am secs. 1, 2 ch 94 SLA 1981; am sec. 1 ch 56 SLA 1982)

AS44.33.401

CHAPTER = 44.33
SECTION = 44.33.401
TITLE = 44
HEADINGS TITLE 44.
State Government.
CHAPTER 33.
Department of Commerce and Economic Development.
ARTICLE 6.
Cultural Facilities Grants.
CITATION Sec. 44.33.401.

CATCH LINE CULTURAL FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT FUND AND GRANTS.

TEXT (a) There is established within the Department of Commerce and Economic Development a cultural facilities development fund for the purpose of providing state assistance in the construction and development of cultural facilities within those municipalities which actively provide support to the arts. Within the limits of direct appropriations for the purpose or through the appropriation of the proceeds of a general obligation bond issue, the department shall make grants to municipalities for construction and development of cultural facilities.

(b) Grants for only one site may be awarded to a municipality under this section.

(c) Application for a grant shall be made in the form required by the commissioner.

HISTORY (Sec. 1 ch 62 SLA 1979)

AS44.33.403

CHAPTER = 44.33
SECTION = 44.33.403
TITLE = 44
HEADINGS TITLE 44.

State Government.
CHAPTER 33.
Department of Commerce and Economic Development.
ARTICLE 6.
Cultural Facilities Grants.

CITATION Sec. 44.33.403.
CATCH LINE

REQUIREMENTS.

TEXT An application for a grant may not be considered for approval by the commissioner and funds may not be paid under AS 44.33.401 - 44.33.417 unless

- (1) the project is endorsed by resolution of the governing body of the sponsoring municipality on its own behalf or on behalf of the officially recognized arts planning organization of the municipality;
- (2) the commissioner is satisfied that the sponsoring municipality
 - (A) has the authority under AS 29.41 or AS 29.48 to provide and maintain a cultural facility;
 - (B) is able to provide the local share of total project costs; and
 - (C) will be financially able to maintain and operate the facility upon completion;
- (3) the municipality provides all information which the department may require by regulation to enable the commissioner to verify estimates of total project costs;
- (4) the complete application has been submitted
 - (A) to the state assessor for a determination and verification that the fair market value of any real property claimed as a credit under AS 44.33.409(b)(4) is accurate; and
 - (B) to the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, for review in accordance with the provisions of AS 35.10.190;
 - (C) to the Advisory Council on Cultural Facilities (AS 44.33.420 - 44.33.430) for its review; and
- (5) after providing voters with a description of the funding sources for construction of a proposed facility and a summary of the estimated annual maintenance, operating and occupancy costs of the cultural facility, the municipality has secured the approval of the residents for construction of the facility; the approval of the residents may be given by
 - (A) authorization of a general obligation bond to provide the contribution of the municipality to the project;
 - (B) voter approval of the dedication of the proceeds of a general tax increase to provide the contribution of the municipality to the project; or

AS44.33.403 (cont.)

(C) an affirmative vote of the majority of the voters casting votes on a proposition at a regular or special election called for the purpose.

HISTORY (Sec. 1 ch 62 SLA 1979)

AS44.33.405

CHAPTER = 44.33
SECTION = 44.33.405
TITLE = 44
HEADINGS TITLE 44.
State Government.
CHAPTER 33.
Department of Commerce and Economic Development.
ARTICLE 6.
Cultural Facilities Grants.
CITATION Sec. 44.33.405.
CATCH LINE
RENUMBERED.
TEXT Renumbered as AS 44.33.425.

AS44.33.407

CHAPTER = 44.33
SECTION = 44.33.407
TITLE = 44
HEADINGS TITLE 44.
State Government.
CHAPTER 33.
Department of Commerce and Economic Development.
ARTICLE 6.
Cultural Facilities Grants.
CITATION Sec. 44.33.407.
CATCH LINE
TERMS OF AGREEMENT.
TEXT The grant to a municipality shall be disbursed in accordance with the terms of an agreement between the commissioner, on behalf of the state, and the governing body of the municipality receiving the grant. The agreement may include any provision agreed upon by the parties, but shall include in substance the following provisions:
(1) the municipality shall secure, retain and protect title to the site or location on which the facility is to be constructed or developed; for purposes of this paragraph it is sufficient that title is obtained in fee or by lease by the terms of which the municipality enjoys exclusive use of the land and any improvements for the estimated project life of the facility or the period of maturity of any state

AS44.33.405 (cont.)

general obligation bond a portion of the proceeds of which are used to provide financial assistance for the construction or development of the facility;

(2) the municipality agrees to provide the local contribution to total project cost required by AS 44.33.409, and to return to the state any excess contribution by the state as required by AS 44.33.413;

(3) the municipality agrees to proceed with and complete the proposed project expeditiously in accordance with plans originally submitted;

(4) the municipality will not materially alter or modify plans for the facility or undertake construction in a manner which materially departs from the approved design and plan for construction or development of the facility without first securing the written recommendation of the officially recognized arts planning organization of the municipality;

(5) the municipality agrees to assume responsibility for the maintenance and operation of the facility, directly or by delegation of responsibility to an entity organized by ordinance of the municipality or to a nonprofit corporation dedicated to the arts and recognized by the municipality; the feasibility of the discharge of this obligation shall be demonstrated to the satisfaction of the commissioner before the payment of any state funds; and

(6) the parties agree that if property constructed or developed with financial assistance provided under this section is designed or used for purposes other than for principal use as a cultural facility, the state may require the municipality to reimburse the state for that portion of the total project cost which the state's investment in the project bears to the total of investment from all sources made in the project.

HISTORY (Sec. 1 ch 62 SLA 1979)

AS44.33.409

CHAPTER = 44.33

SECTION = 44.33.409

TITLE = 44

HEADINGS TITLE 44.

State Government.

CHAPTER 33.

Department of Commerce and Economic Development.

ARTICLE 6.

Cultural Facilities Grants.

CITATION Sec. 44.33.409.

CATCH LINE

CONTRIBUTION BY MUNICIPALITY.

TEXT

(a) A municipality receiving a grant under AS 44.33.401 - 44.33.417 shall contribute to the total cost of the project. The amount of the municipality's contribution is determined by the

AS44.33.409 (cont.)

application of the formula

(average per capita full and true value of all property in the municipality/average per capita full and true value of all property in the state) x contribution percentage to the estimated total project cost as determined by the commissioner at the time of approval of a grant application.

(b) For purposes of this section

(1) the contribution percentage for

(A) a municipality having a population of 5,000 or less is 10 per cent of the total project cost;

(B) a municipality having a population of 5,001 to 10,000 is 20 per cent of the total project cost; and

(C) a municipality having a population of more than 10,000 is 30 per cent of the total project cost;

(2) if an application is submitted for a municipality for which no average per capita full and true property value determination has been made, the commissioner shall request the state assessor to compute the average per capita full and true property value of that municipality and report it to the commissioner;

(3) the actual contribution rate of the municipality may not exceed the contribution percentage established in (1) of this section;

(4) there shall be allowed as a credit against the municipality's contribution computed under this section,

(A) for a project involving construction of a new facility, the fair market value of land acquired by the municipality as the site or location for the facility;

(B) for a project involving development of an existing structure or facility, the fair market value of the land and improvements that are acquired by the municipality and committed for use as a cultural facility;

(5) the grant awarded by the state may not exceed the estimated total project cost as determined by the commissioner under AS 44.33.403(3) less the contribution by the municipality determined in accordance with this section.

HISTORY (Sec. 1 ch 62 SLA 1979)

AS44.33.410

CHAPTER = 44.33
SECTION = 44.33.410
TITLE = 44
HEADINGS TITLE 44.
State Government.
CHAPTER 33.
Department of Commerce and Economic Development.
ARTICLE 6.
Cultural Facilities Grants.
CITATION Sec. 44.33.410.
CATCH LINE
RENUMBERED.
TEXT Renumbered as AS 44.33.430.

AS44.33.411

CHAPTER = 44.33
SECTION = 44.33.411
TITLE = 44
HEADINGS TITLE 44.
State Government.
CHAPTER 33.
Department of Commerce and Economic Development.
ARTICLE 6.
Cultural Facilities Grants.

CITATION Sec. 44.33.411.

CATCH LINE

ALLOCATION OF AVAILABLE FUNDS.

TEXT If funds appropriated or provided by bond issue for grants under AS 44.33.401 - 44.33.417 are not adequate to satisfy amounts required by approved grant applications, funds shall be allocated by the commissioner on the basis of priority recommended by the Advisory Council on Cultural Facilities.

HISTORY (Sec. 1 ch 62 SLA 1979)

AS44.33.413

CHAPTER = 44.33
SECTION = 44.33.413
TITLE = 44
HEADINGS TITLE 44.
State Government.
CHAPTER 33.
Department of Commerce and Economic Development.
ARTICLE 6.
Cultural Facilities Grants.

CITATION Sec. 44.33.413.

CATCH LINE

REPAYMENT OF EXCESS CONTRIBUTION.

TEXT If, upon completion of the facility, it appears that actual total project costs varied substantially from estimated total project costs determined by the commissioner under AS 44.33.403(3) and if the actual contribution of the state exceeds the percentage of total project costs payable by the state determined under AS 44.33.409(5), the commissioner shall require the municipality to pay an amount to the state sufficient to reduce the state contribution to the percentage of state contribution required by AS 44.33.409(5). If the actual total project costs exceed estimates, the commissioner may not provide additional financial assistance to the municipality.

HISTORY (Sec. 1 ch 62 SLA 1979)

AS44.33.415

CHAPTER = 44.33
SECTION = 44.33.415
TITLE = 44
HEADINGS TITLE 44.
State Government.
CHAPTER 33.
Department of Commerce and Economic Development.
ARTICLE 6.
Cultural Facilities Grants.

CITATION Sec. 44.33.415.

CATCH LINE

REPORT AND REGULATIONS.

TEXT

The commissioner shall

(1) provide an annual report to the legislature with respect to grants made under AS 44.33.401 - 44.33.417;

(2) adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of AS 44.33.401 - 44.33.417, including, but not limited to, regulations describing information about the proposed facility to be provided by the municipality which submits an application for a grant under AS 44.33.401 - 44.33.417.

HISTORY (Sec. 1 ch 62 SLA 1979)

AS44.33.417

CHAPTER = 44.33
SECTION = 44.33.417
TITLE = 44
HEADINGS TITLE 44.
State Government.
CHAPTER 33.
Department of Commerce and Economic Development.
ARTICLE 6.
Cultural Facilities Grants.

CITATION Sec. 44.33.417.

CATCH LINE

DEFINITIONS.

TEXT

In AS 44.33.401 - 44.33.417,

(1) "commissioner" means the commissioner of commerce and economic development;

(2) "construction" means site preparation, erection of a structure, and acquisition and installation of fixtures and necessary fixed equipment, but does not include completion of feasibility studies, site acquisition or facility design;

(3) "cultural facility" means a structure or complex the principal purpose of which is to serve the visual and performing arts, including but not limited to a theatre, concert hall or gallery, or to serve as the repository of the historical or contemporary heritage of the community and its people, and which also may be used for compatible activities,

AS44.33.417 (cont.)

including but not limited to, activities relating to education, community meetings, tourism, and visitor information;

(4) "department" means the Department of Commerce and Economic Development;

(5) "development" means the acquisition and preservation, remodeling or redevelopment of an existing structure or facility, together with the acquisition and installation of fixtures and necessary fixed equipment, for use as a cultural facility;

(6) "municipality" means a home rule or general law city or borough, and includes municipalities unified under AS 29.68.240 - 29.68.440;

(7) "total project costs" means, in addition to costs directly related to the project, the total of all costs of financing and carrying out the project including, but not limited to,

(A) the costs of all necessary studies (except feasibility studies), surveys, plans and specifications, architectural, engineering or other special services, acquisition of real property, site preparation and development, purchase, construction, reconstruction and improvement of real property and the acquisition of machinery and equipment necessary in connection with the project;

(B) an allocable portion of the administrative and operating expenses of the municipality;

(C) the cost of financing the project, including interest on bonds issued to finance the project; and

(D) the cost of other items, including indemnity and surety bonds and premiums on insurance, legal fees, fees and expenses of trustees, depositaries, financial advisors, and costs of paying agents for the bonds issued.

HISTORY (Sec. 1 ch 62 SLA 1979)

AS19.10.060

CHAPTER = 19.10
SECTION = 19.10.060
TITLE = 19
HEADINGS TITLE 19.
Highways and Ferries.
CHAPTER 10.
State Highway System.
ARTICLE 1.
Designation, Marking and Use.
CITATION Sec. 19.10.060.
CATCH LINE

REGULATION OF WEIGHT AND LOAD OF VEHICLES AND USE OF HIGHWAYS DURING CERTAIN SEASONS.

AS19.10.060 (cont.)

TEXT The department, with respect to highways under its jurisdiction, may

- (1) establish limitations on weight, size, and load of vehicles;
- (2) Repealed, sec. 25 ch 144 SLA 1977.
- (3) prohibit the operation or impose restrictions on vehicular use of highways during certain seasons of the year.

HISTORY (Sec. 5 art III title II ch 152 SLA 1957; am sec. 1 ch 55 SLA 1963; am sec. 25 ch 144 SLA 1977; am sec. 2 ch 77 SLA 1982)

AS44.33.530

CHAPTER = 44.33
SECTION = 44.33.530
TITLE = 44
HEADINGS TITLE 44.
 State Government.
 CHAPTER 33.
 Department of Commerce and Economic Development.
 ARTICLE 8.
 Alaska Foreign Offices.
CITATION Sec. 44.33.530.
CATCH LINE
 ALASKA FOREIGN OFFICES ESTABLISHED.
TEXT There are established in the Department of Commerce and Economic Development two Alaska Foreign Offices. The offices are to be located in Tokyo, Japan, and Seoul, Republic of Korea. The offices shall serve as outlets for information related to economic development, resources, and trade, and as contact points for government and private industry of Alaska and the Pacific Rim nations of Asia to promote and maintain trade between the state and those countries.
HISTORY (E.O. No. 57, sec. 3 (1984); am sec. 2 ch 120 SLA 1984)