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HB 51 - An Act relating to Alaska High School  
achievement scholarships;  
and providing for an effective date.

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**STATE OF ALASKA 1987 LEGISLATIVE SESSION  
FISCAL NOTE**

Bill Version : HB-51  
Publish Date : \_\_\_\_\_

REQUEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: ...high school achievement  
scholarships...  
Sponsor: Representative Koponen  
Requestor: House HESS

Agency Affected: Education  
BRU: Executive Administration  
Components: Boards & Commissions

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

OPERATING	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92
PERSONAL SERVICES		44.7	22.4	22.4	22.4	22.4
TRAVEL		12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0
CONTRACTUAL		5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
SUPPLIES		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS		648.0	1,296.0	1,944.0	2,592.0	2,592.0
MISCELLANEOUS						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>		<b>710.7</b>	<b>1,336.4</b>	<b>1,984.4</b>	<b>2,632.4</b>	<b>2,632.4</b>

<b>CAPITAL</b>						
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<b>REVENUE</b>						
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**FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)**

GENERAL FUND		710.7	1,336.4	1,984.4	2,632.4	2,632.4
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
<b>TOTAL</b>						

**POSITIONS:**

FULL-TIME		1				
PART-TIME			1	1	1	1
TEMPORARY						

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

Please see attached page.

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Division: Commissioner's Office Date: February 13, 1987

Approved by Commissioner: Marshall L. Lind Date: February 13, 1987  
Agency: Education

Distribution (by preparer):  
Legislative Finance  
Legislative Sponsor  
Requestor  
Office of Management and Budget  
Impacted Agency(ies)  
Senate Secretary

Analysis:

Personal Services: One Range 17, Grant Administrator for FY 88, half time after the first year.

Travel: Two Special Meetings of the State Board of Education at 6.0 each.

Contractual: Telephone, Postage, Printing

Supplies: Stationery, Stock for applications

Grants: 27 election districts X 6 scholarships X \$4.0 = \$648.0 per year.

**ALASKA COMMISSION ON POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION**

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: The Honorable Niilo Koponen  
 Alaska House of Representatives

FROM: Kerry D. Romesburg, Executive Director  
 Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education

SUBJECT: Alaska High School Achievement Scholarship Program

DATE: February 17, 1987

I have reviewed HB 51, establishing the Alaska high school achievement scholarship program and find the whole concept exciting. Hopefully, in this tight money era, we will still be able to address a few innovative programs.

The fiscal impact of the scholarships themselves are dependent upon two factors. First, how house election district is defined, and second, the percentage of scholarship recipients actually accepting and using the scholarship in Alaska. Hence, I would guess the fiscal demand for grants would be:

No. Districts	FY 88		FY 89		FY 90	
	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
40	\$960,000	\$720,000	\$1,920,000	\$1,440,000	\$2,880,000	\$2,160,000
27	\$648,000	\$486,000	\$1,296,000	\$ 972,000	\$1,944,000	\$1,458,000
	FY 91		FY 92			
	High	Low	High	Low		
	\$3,840,000	\$2,880,000	\$3,840,000	\$2,880,000		
	\$2,592,000	\$1,944,000	\$3,248,000	\$2,430,000		

As you can see, there is quite a variation in fiscal impact dependent upon these two factors.

I understand the Department of Education is preparing the formal fiscal note for the bill, but I wished to point out the possible variance in funding level.

Alaska State Legislature  
Representative Niilo Koponen

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SPONSOR STATEMENT - HB 51

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House Bill 51 creates the Alaska High School Achievement Scholarship program to award postsecondary scholarships to Alaskan students who make significant academic, athletic or creative achievements in high school. The purpose of this bill is to encourage Alaska high school students to excel, and to offer our most promising students a significant incentive to attend an Alaskan college or university.

This bill offers pupils from every geographic area of Alaska an opportunity to participate in this program. If enacted this legislation would award a \$4000 scholarship to six high school seniors in each House District. The awards are made in three categories of achievement: academic achievement, athletic honors and creative honors. Two awards, one each to a male and female, would be given from each District.

This scholarship program is not meant to replace the existing student loan program, but to complement it. The Alaska student loans require repayment, are available to all Alaskans, and can be used to attend any approved institution anywhere. The Alaska High School Achievement scholarships are a more specialized form of financial aid based on merit. They consist of outright grants to be used exclusively in Alaska. A student receiving one of these grants could apply for an Alaska student loan as well to cover additional expenses. The loan amount would be for a reduced amount, reflecting the \$4000 scholarship.

The \$4000 figure was selected because it approximates the current cost of attending the University of Alaska and living on campus. U of A is not the only possible school however, a student could attend any approved Alaska postsecondary institution. This scholarship program is in line with recent national efforts to emphasize quality in education and scholastic achievement. Studies have shown that tuition grants are more effective in encouraging new students to attend higher education institutions than other forms of financial aid.

The Achievement scholarship program will benefit the state in many ways. Our most promising young people will have a clear opportunity and incentive to attend college in Alaska. College graduates tend to find their first job and remain in the areas where they attended school. Alaska postsecondary institutions will benefit from the attendance of talented Alaskans. Finally, Alaska dollars will stay in Alaska turning over many times in our economy.





Official Business

COMMITTEE:

*Hess*

DATE: *2-18-87*

# SIGN-IN

Subject of meeting:

*HB - 107*

*HB - 2*

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DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY?

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE	REPRESENTING	DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY?
REP JOHN SUNIZ	BOX ✓	465-4919	(HB 107)	YES
E. Bussell	Box 11	3466	HB 107	No
Rep. Pat Pouchot				yes HR 2
John McDonald	Box 11	2854		No
KERRY ROMESBURG	POSTSECONDARY EDUC.	2854	ACPE (HB-51)	(YES)
Steve Hole	DOE	2800	DOE	

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Mary Van Nimwegen

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2-18-87

8:30 a.m.