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Mary Van Nimwegen

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4-18-88

8:30 a.m.



Alaska State Legislature
House of Representatives
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION
AND SOCIAL SERVICES

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JUNEAU, AK 99811
465-3759

MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Mitch Abood

FROM: Rep. Niilo Koponen, Co-Chair House HESS Committee
Rep. Johnny Ellis, Co-Chair House HESS Committee

RE: SB 2

DATE: January 11, 1988

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "N. Koponen" or similar, written over the "FROM" line of the memorandum.

At the request of your committee staff we have withdrawn SB 2 from tomorrow's HESS Committee schedule.

This entire week our committee will be meeting jointly with the House Budget Subcommittee on Education to discuss several issues regarding education finance. Specifically, we will be looking at several legislative options which will allow school districts more orderly planning of their budgets; e.g. early funding, forward funding etc. Your bill would have fit well into our discussions.

After the hearings we will make a decision on which options provide the most effective and realistic assistance to school districts.

Attached is an agenda for this week's hearings. Given your interest, you and/or your staff are welcome to attend.



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JOINT MEETING
HOUSE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES
STANDING COMMITTEE
AND
EDUCATION BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE

8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., House Finance, Room 519 Capitol

January 11 - January 15, 1988

Tuesday, January 12

HB 255 - Approp: School Foundation Program/FY 89

SB 2 - Deadlines for Funding Education

Wednesday, January 13

PL 874 funding issues

Continuation of January 12th if necessary

Thursday, January 14, Statewide Teleconference

Discussion of cash based forward funding for education

Continuation of January 12th and 13th if necessary

AMENDMENT

Offered in the House HESS Committee
TO: SB 2

Page 2, line 9
after "year." insert:

"If the legislature fails to adopt a budget on or before March 16, the previous year's appropriation for school foundation support is automatically approved for the next fiscal year."

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M E M O R A N D U M

May 13, 1987

SUBJECT: Requiring legislature to pass appropriation
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TO: Representative Johnny Ellis
Co-Chair, House HESS Committee

FROM: Keith B. Levy *KBL*
Legislative Counsel

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KBL:csh
c8/032

Enclosure

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 Requestor: House HESS

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 BRU: K-12, Debt Retirement
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ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

The bill has no fiscal impact on this department.

Prepared by: Steve Hole
 Division: Commissioner's Office

Phone: 465-2800
 Date: December 11, 1988

Approved by Commissioner: William Denmert
 Agency: Education

Date: December 11, 1988

Distribution (by preparer):

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Original sponsors: Abood and Szymanski

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Municipality of Anchorage

MEMORANDUM

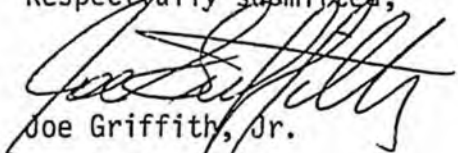
DATE: January 27, 1987
TO: Senator Mitch Abood
FROM: Assembly Budget Analyst
SUBJECT: SB 2

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SB 2
(initials)

Thank you for the opportunity to address your committee on SB 2. As we discussed during the drafting phase, I believe this relatively minor change in the law will greatly aid our school district in their budgetary process and will have little deleterious effect on the Municipality's setting of the tax levy. In short I believe this is a positive step which will make government more efficient.

I have included a copy of the chart (which we referenced early) showing the various budgetary milestones and fiscal years which are influenced by SB 2. It is apparent from the graphic presentation that any action by the legislature to make the school funding allocation decision earlier aids the whole process. Of course, the principle benefit is to the school district; however, as I mentioned earlier, the fifteen-day shift would have little impact on the Municipal government budgeting process.

Respectfully submitted,

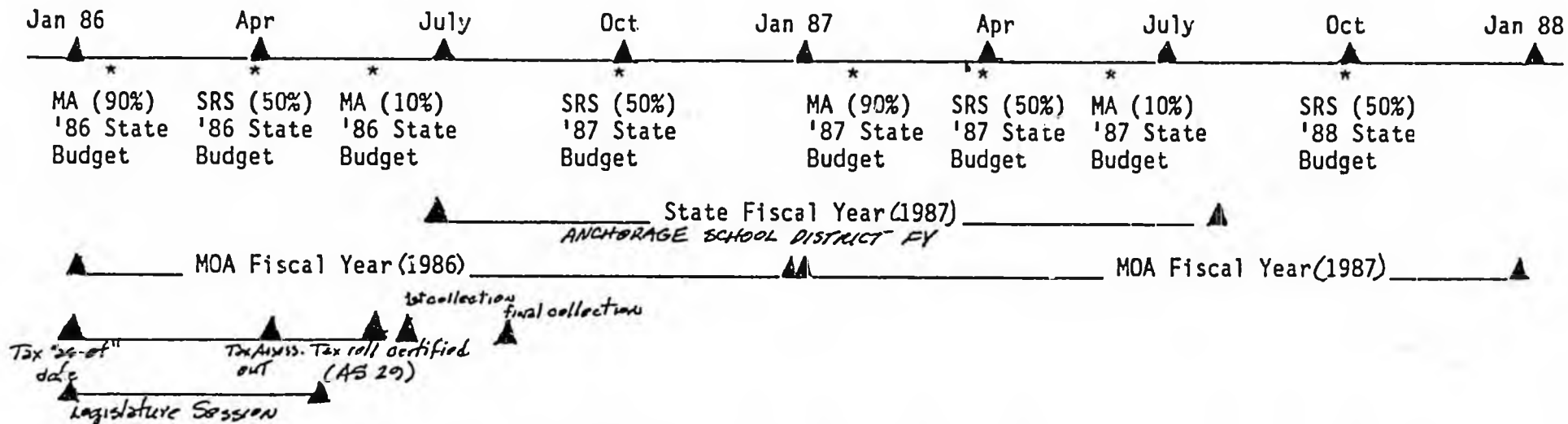


Joe Griffith, Jr.

1 Attachment
Graphic display of Municipal budget process.

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MUNICIPAL BUDGET



Municipal Assistance (MA) payments received in February and June. MOA receives payment in the same numbered fiscal year as the State budget appropriating the funds. February payment is approximately 90% of the appropriated amount. Remainder in June subsequent to State receipt of data from all communities.

State Revenue Sharing (SRS) payments received in April and October of each year. From the State perspective, the first payment each fiscal year occurs in October and the second in April. Current State procedures (new for the State FY87 budget) evenly divides the appropriation between the two payments. Due to the overlapping fiscal years, each MOA fiscal year contains a Revenue Sharing payment from two State appropriations. The State Budget is generally passed in May.

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

BUDGET DEVELOPMENT TIMELINES

August 1986	FY 1986-87 Revised Financial Planning and Budget Revisions
September 1986	Financial Planning and Projection Preparation of Budget Development Instructions and Manuals
Sept 2, 1986	School Begins
Sept 30, 1986	Baseline date for enrollment projections
Oct 17, 1986	Fall enrollment projection completed by Technology/MIS
Oct 20, 1986	Issuance of supply and equipment budget allocations to the schools
Oct-Nov 1986	Completion and processing consolidated supply orders by schools
Oct-Nov 1986	School and departmental budget request development
Nov-Dec 1986	Unit budget review and approval conferences Elementary: Oct. 27 - Nov 21 (55 conferences) Secondary: Nov. 3 - Nov 17 (19 conferences) Special Education/Services: Nov 13, 18 (15 conferences) Administrative and Support: Nov 5-Dec 10 (43 conferences) TOTAL 134
Nov-Dec 1986	Preparation by Budget Dept. of unit expenditure budgets Summarization of unit expenditure budgets Preparation of revenue budget Preparation of budget summary pages
Dec 29-30, 1986	Printing of first draft of budget
Jan 5-9, 1987	Superintendent's detailed review and revision
Jan 12-30, 1987	Revision of unit expenditure budgets Summarization of unit expenditure budgets Revision of revenue budget Revision of budget summary pages Preparation of budget exhibits Preparation of program revision requests/documentation etc. Preparation of Financial Plan public hearing presentations
Jan 27-30, 1987	Printing/binding of Preliminary Financial Plan, Financial Plan Summary, and related budget materials

Jan 30, 1987	Delivery of budget materials to School Board
Feb 2-6, 1987	Delivery of budget materials to: Budget Advisory Commission Schools and Departments Municipality of Anchorage Employee Bargaining Groups Libraries
Feb 3-12, 1987	Public Hearings on Preliminary Financial Plan Feb 3 (Tuesday) - 1st Hearing Feb 5 (Thursday) - 2nd Hearing Feb 10 (Tuesday) - 3rd Hearing Feb 12 (Thursday) - 4th Hearing
Feb 17, 1987	First School Board Reading (Tuesday)
Feb 24, 1987	Final Reading and Approval (Tuesday)
Feb 25-March 24	Revision of Preliminary Financial Plan (similar process to that of Jan 12 - Jan 31, 1987)
March 25-26, 1987	Printing of Proposed Financial Plan, Financial Plan Summary, and related budget materials
March 27, 1987	Delivery of Proposed Financial Plan, etc. to Municipal Assembly
April 1987	Municipal Assembly review, public hearings, and approval
May-June 1987	Revisions to Proposed Financial Plan expenditure budgets and revenue budget Preparation of Adopted Financial Plan
July-August 1987	Printing and distribution of Adopted Financial Plan

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 Requestor: House HFSS

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TOTAL						

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ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

The bill has no fiscal impact on this department.

Prepared by: Steve Hole *Steve Hole* Phone: 465-2800
 Division: Commissioner's Office Date: December 11, 1988
 Approved by Commissioner: William Denmert Date: December 11, 1988
 Agency: Education

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SECTIONAL ANALYSIS FOR SB 2

"An Act relating to deadlines for action on funding of public education; and providing for an effective date."

SECTION 1 - Adds language which would set a deadline, of March 16, for passage of an education budget for the next fiscal year, including funds for the school construction account.

SECTION 2 - Changes the date from April 1 to April 15 for the borough school board to submit the following fiscal year's school budget to the borough assembly.

SECTION 3 - Adds language which would set a deadline, of March 16, for passage of an education budget for the school foundation account.

SECTION 4 - Includes, as a responsibility of the legislature, the appropriation of money for public education no later than March 16 for the following fiscal year.

SECTION 5 - Effective date of July 1, 1987.

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Phone: 465-2800
Date: January 23, 1987

Approved by Commissioner: Marshall L. Lind
Agency: Education

Date: January 23, 1987

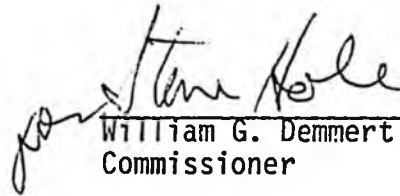
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POSITION PAPER
FIRST SESSION
15th ALASKA LEGISLATURE

SB-2

The Department of Education supports this legislation. Its enactment will provide the school districts and municipalities with critical information for the budget planning process.



William G. Demmert
Commissioner



NEA-ALASKA

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January 26, 1987

To: Senator Mitch Abood, Chair
Members, Senate State Affairs Committee

Re: Senate Bill No. 2, "An Act relating to deadlines for action on funding of public education; and providing for an effective date."

NEA-Alaska strongly supports and encourages passage of this legislation.

Because local school district budgets are so dependent on the level of state funding support, it is essential that they know as early in the budget process as possible the level of State support. Effective program planning, collective bargaining relationships, and determination of the ability of the district to meet unique needs are all directly impacted by State funding decisions.

Further, the calendar chronology relative to the submission of school district budgets to the borough assembly is adversely effected when this submission must be done absent accurate knowledge of the State funding support.

SB 2 correctly focuses on the need for earlier knowledge of these levels of support. To move any of these dates "down" the calendar delays important decision making and makes the entire planning process far less effective than it needs to be.

We encourage your support of SB 2.

Respectively Submitted

Robert Manners

Robert Manners,
Executive Secretary

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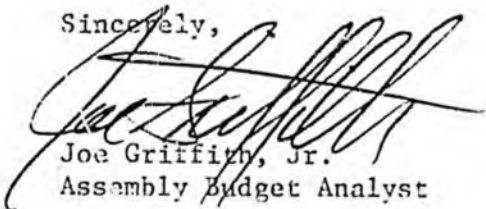
Senator Mitch Abood
Senate District G-A
1024 W. 6th Avenue
Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Senator Abood:

It was my pleasure to work with you on the revision of Title 14. I believe the document you have drafted will do much to solve various school district's difficulties; however, it may be difficult to get it through the Legislature.

Best of luck in the upcoming session and do not hesitate to call on me if I can be of further service.

Sincerely,


Joe Griffith, Jr.
Assembly Budget Analyst

JG:jj

ASSOCIATION OF ALASKA SCHOOL BOARDS

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December 2, 1986

Mitch Abood, Senator
1024 West 6th Avenue
Room 110
Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Senator Abood:

I have received the draft legislation you sent me relative to establishing a deadline for legislative action on state funding of public education.

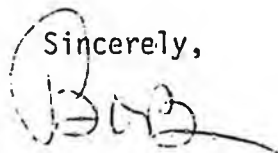
The draft looks fine to me with one apparent omission. I was under the impression that we were also going to consider moving the date contained in A.S. 14.14.060(c) to April fifteen instead of April one. I also recall that we discussed the language in that same section to read, ...for approval of the local effort. [total amount].

It was sort of my recollection that the Mat-Su folks thought that was O.K. Lee Sharp gave me that impression, anyway.

If this complicates anything, let me know.

Thank you again for your efforts.

Sincerely,



Robert C. Greene
Executive Director

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Senator Mitch Abood
SENATE DISTRICT G-A

November 20, 1986

Mr. Bob Cooksey
NEA-Alaska
147 S Franklin #407
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Bob:

Enclosed you will find the completed draft resulting from our recent meeting to discuss the education budget timelines.

I would appreciate your reviewing the draft and responding, with a letter to my office, no later than December 15, either approving or disapproving of the language. If you detect an error or have a question, please indicate it on the draft and return it with your letter. On the other hand, if you approve of the draft, please return the draft with an okay, signature, and date. Any back-up material or position papers which you would like to include with the bill package should be included with the returned draft -- as you are well aware, any additional information that can be provided to simplify explanation of the bill is helpful.

Thank you again for your time spent working with myself and the other individuals present at the meetings. Hopefully everyone's effort will pay off with an improvement to the education budgeting process.

Kindest regards,

Mitch Abood
Mitch Abood
Senator

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Mitch the draft looks good to me. Can support it; however, if this version can't fly, hopefully we can support changes which would accomplish the same purpose as making the school financing decision easier. Thank you again for reviewing and your effort with the issue.



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December 9, 1985

The Honorable Mitch Abood
Alaska State Legislature
1024 West Sixth Avenue
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Dear Senator Abood:

In regards to your letter of November 20 the following is suggested:

1. The community schools' funding should probably be included as revenue under Section 37.07.030.
2. Also note that the present statute states that city and borough school districts must submit their budgets not later than April 1 of each year to the local governments. At one point we discussed making that date April 15. This would allow the school districts ample time to make changes to their budgets.

Thank you for taking the lead in this particular problem. I believe it will help not only school districts but local governments and legislators. If I can be of further assistance, please contact me.

Sincerely,

L. T. Freeman
Assistant Superintendent
for Business Management



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December 9, 1986

The Honorable Mitch Abood
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Dear Senator Abood:

Thank you for considering the Anchorage School District to assist in this much needed legislation.

I believe that the timelines of this bill will assist school districts throughout the State in arriving at their budget figures.

If there is any further information you need, please do not hesitate to call upon us.

Sincerely,

E. E. (Gene) Davis, Ed.D.
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cc L. T. Freeman, Assistant Superintendent, Business Management

Alaska State Legislat

*Lee,
Dorothy would
like you to initial &
do you concur w/ her
statement? Return
to Dorothy.*

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Senator Mitch Abood
SENATE DISTRICT G-A

November 20, 1986

The Honorable Dorothy Jones
Mayor, Mat-Su Borough
P.O. Box 1608
Palmer, AK 99645

*Dorothy,
I hope you
this signature date
would be helpful
in setting up
Dorothy Jones*

Dear Ms. Jones:

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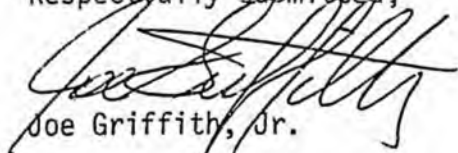
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DATE: January 27, 1987
TO: Senator Mitch Abood
FROM: Assembly Budget Analyst
SUBJECT: SB 2

Thank you for the opportunity to address your committee on SB 2. As we discussed during the drafting phase, I believe this relatively minor change in the law will greatly aid our school district in their budgetary process and will have little deleterious effect on the Municipality's setting of the tax levy. In short I believe this is a positive step which will make government more efficient.

I have included a copy of the chart (which we referenced early) showing the various budgetary milestones and fiscal years which are influenced by SB 2. It is apparent from the graphic presentation that any action by the legislature to make the school funding allocation decision earlier aids the whole process. Of course, the principle benefit is to the school district; however, as I mentioned earlier, the fifteen-day shift would have little impact on the Municipal government budgeting process.

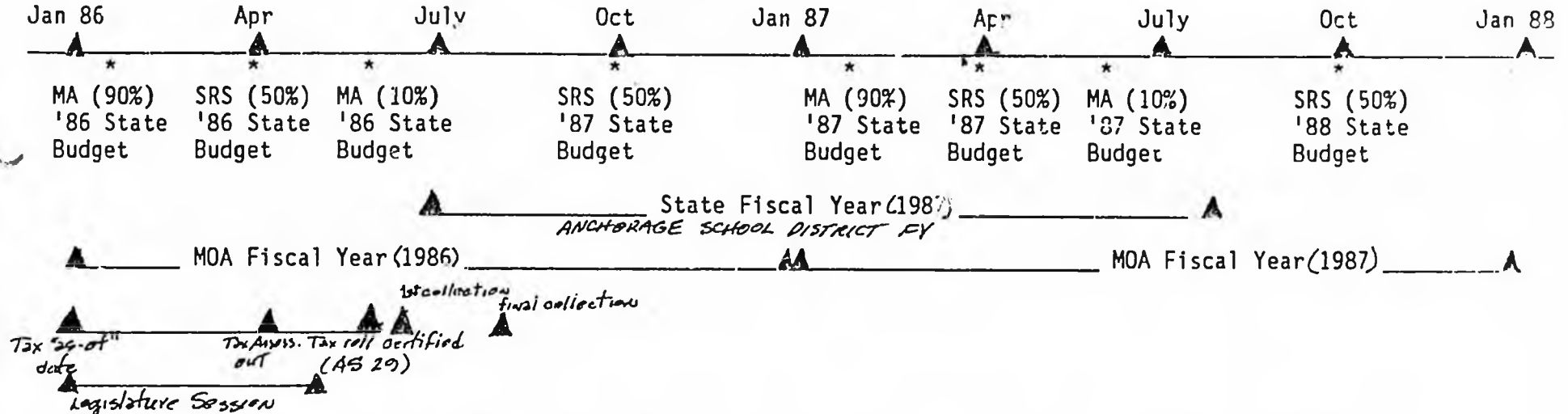
Respectfully submitted,


Joe Griffith, Jr.

1 Attachment
Graphic display of Municipal budget process.

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MUNICIPAL BUDGET



Municipal Assistance (MA) payments received in February and June. MOA receives payment in the same numbered fiscal year as the State budget appropriating the funds. February payment is approximately 90% of the appropriated amount. Remainder in June subsequent to State receipt of data from all communities.

State Revenue Sharing (SRS) payments received in April and October of each year. From the State perspective, the first payment each fiscal year occurs in October and the second in April. Current State procedures (new for the State FY87 budget) evenly divides the appropriation between the two payments. Due to the overlapping fiscal years, each MOA fiscal year contains a Revenue Sharing payment from two State appropriations. The State Budget is generally passed in May.

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

BUDGET DEVELOPMENT TIMELINES

August 1986	FY 1986-87 Revised Financial Planning and Budget Revisions
September 1986	Financial Planning and Projection Preparation of Budget Development Instructions and Manuals
Sept 2, 1986	School Begins
Sept 30, 1986	Baseline date for enrollment projections
Oct 17, 1986	Fall enrollment projection completed by Technology/MIS
Oct 20, 1986	Issuance of supply and equipment budget allocations to the schools
Oct-Nov 1986	Completion and processing consolidated supply orders by schools
Oct-Nov 1986	School and departmental budget request development
Nov-Dec 1986	Unit budget review and approval conferences Elementary: Oct. 27 - Nov 21 (55 conferences) Secondary: Nov. 3 - Nov 17 (19 conferences) Special Education/Services: Nov 13, 18 (15 conferences) Administrative and Support: Nov 5-Dec 10 (43 conferences) TOTAL 134
Nov-Dec 1986	Preparation by Budget Dept. of unit expenditure budgets Summarization of unit expenditure budgets Preparation of revenue budget Preparation of budget summary pages
Dec 29-30, 1986	Printing of first draft of budget
Jan 5-9, 1987	Superintendent's detailed review and revision
Jan 12-30, 1987	Revision of unit expenditure budgets Summarization of unit expenditure budgets Revision of revenue budget Revision of budget summary pages Preparation of budget exhibits Preparation of program revision requests/documentation etc. Preparation of Financial Plan public hearing presentations
Jan 27-30, 1987	Printing/binding of Preliminary Financial Plan, Financial Plan Summary, and related budget materials

Jan 30, 1987	Delivery of budget materials to School Board
Feb 2-6, 1987	Delivery of budget materials to: Budget Advisory Commission Schools and Departments Municipality of Anchorage Employee Bargaining Groups Libraries
Feb 3-12, 1987	Public Hearings on Preliminary Financial Plan Feb 3 (Tuesday) - 1st Hearing Feb 5 (Thursday) - 2nd Hearing Feb 10 (Tuesday) - 3rd Hearing Feb 12 (Thursday) - 4th Hearing
Feb 17, 1987	First School Board Reading (Tuesday)
Feb 24, 1987	Final Reading and Approval (Tuesday)
Feb 25-March 24	Revision of Preliminary Financial Plan (similar process to that of Jan 12 - Jan 31, 1987)
March 25-26, 1987	Printing of Proposed Financial Plan, Financial Plan Summary, and related budget materials
March 27, 1987	Delivery of Proposed Financial Plan, etc. to Municipal Assembly
April 1987	Municipal Assembly review, public hearings, and approval
May-June 1987	Revisions to Proposed Financial Plan expenditure budgets and revenue budget Preparation of Adopted Financial Plan
July-August 1987	Printing and distribution of Adopted Financial Plan