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FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: 4/19/88 Agency Affected: DNR
 Title: An act relating to use of helicopters DRU: Park Management
in Chugach State Park
 Sponsor: Senate Resources Components: _____
 Requestor: Senate Resources

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93
PERSONAL SERVICES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING						

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

GENERAL FUND	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Passage of this Resolution will have no fiscal impact upon the department.

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March 23, 1988

Senator Rick Uehling
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Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Senator Uehling:

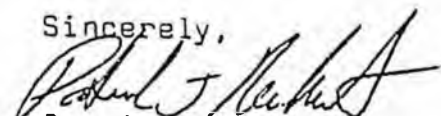
Attached you will find a letter of support for Senate Resolution #62, "Relating to making state facilities and national parks in Alaska accessible to visitors." Also attached is a detailed budget of how Challenge Alaska would spend a \$35,000 grant for the promotion of tourism for the physically challenged. This grant would be made available through the Division of Tourism. I recently had discussions with Mr. Hugh Gellert, Director of the Division, and he is very supportive of our initiative.

Originally, we had combined this request with an existing contract with State Parks. Presently, we are in the Governor's budget under Parks at the \$35,000 level. These funds help support Challenge Alaska recreation activities for disabled Alaskans. We have asked for an additional increment of \$25,000 from Parks to support recreation activities in the Fairbanks area. Your support of this request is appreciated by all those disabled Alaskans who benefit from our program.

As you will notice, the funding we requested for visitor promotion is only 75% of the project budget. Challenge Alaska is committed to the project, and we will demonstrate this commitment by raising the additional funds thorough service contracts, workshop fees, and donations from private industry. We have also been very successful in raising funds for the activities we provide to disabled Alaskans. You should know that the grant provided by State Parks is less than 25% of our total activity budget.

We have a unique opportunity in Alaska to develop a truly accessible visitor industry. I believe you recognize this fact. I want to thank you for your support of Challenge Alaska and being sensitive to the needs of the physically challenged visitor.

Sincerely,



Patrick J. Reinhart
Executive Director



Attachments: Physically Challenged Visitor Promotion Budget
Letter of Support for SJR #62

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GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF PROJECT

GOALS:

1. Facilitate travel and outdoor recreation in Alaska by all physically challenged visitors.
2. Bring economic benefits to Alaskans (both disabled and non-disabled) through development of this new visitor market.
3. Generate sufficient resources, through service contracts, grants, fees, commissions, memberships, donated funds, goods or services, volunteer work and other means, to maintain a continuing program.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Obtain funding for startup phase of project; as part of startup, revise project plan for FY89 in line with funding level.
2. Continue to provide outdoor recreation activities. Develop demonstration activities to test their marketability and to stimulate the interest of private vendors in replacing Challenge Alaska as the operator of these activities wherever possible.
3. Develop and maintain research program on challenged visitor market, including elderly with limited mobility.
4. Promote Anchorage and Alaska as destinations for these visitors.
5. Facilitate travel planning for such visitors with materials, information services, reservation services and other appropriate means.
6. Create new job opportunities for Alaskans experiencing a disability in the travel trade.
7. Develop and maintain ongoing relationships within the travel trade so as to facilitate challenged visitor development.
8. Provide disability awareness or other needed training to front line visitor related employees.
9. Develop ongoing financial support through grants, contracts, memberships, donated funds, donated goods, donated services or other means.
10. Examine feasibility of charging fees or obtaining commissions for provision of training, materials, or travel consulting services to the travel trade.
11. Recruit and train volunteers to support this program as appropriate.
12. Provide information on tax breaks and other financial advantages of providing increased accessibility in private accommodations and visitor related facilities.

CHALLENGE ALASKA
 Visitor Promotion Program
 Budget - FY89

SALARIES	
1 FT Visitor Access Specialist	25,000
TAXES/FRINGE	
FICA	787
WORKMANS COMP	1,000
ESC	810
Medical	350
FACILITIES	
Telephone	300
SUPPLIES	
Office	1,000
Workshop Supplies	1,200
Postage	800
Software	1,000
EQUIPMENT	
Computer Hardware	1,600
Workshop Equipment	600
TRAVEL	
Mileage (.25/mile at 4,000)	1,000
Vehicle Rent	300
Airfare (in-state)	
In-state	800
(Juneau, FBX, Kodiak Workshp)	
Out-of-state	700
(National Park Service Access Workshop)	
Food/Lodging	440
CONTRACT SERVICES	
Consultants	2,000
Workshop Coordinators	2,400
OTHER	
Training	250
Promo/Advertising	500
Printing/Copying	1,500
Resource Materials	250
Miscellaneous	1,200

Total:	46,337