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# HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)

Date referred: 4/10/87

FURTHER REFERRALS: Finance

DATE: 4-22-87

The State Affairs Committee has considered HB 264

"An Act relating to the reenlistment bonus for members of the Alaska National Guard and Alaska Naval Militia; and providing for an effective date."

**RECOMMENDS:**

- replace with \_\_\_\_\_  the same title
- attached amendment(s)  a new title
- do pass
- do not pass
- no recommendation
- individual recommendations
- additional referral to the \_\_\_\_\_ Committee

**ADOPTS:**  \_\_\_\_\_ letter of intent

**ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(s):**

- fiscal impact  same as previous fiscal note published \_\_\_\_\_
- zero fiscal note  same as previous zero fiscal note published 4-10-87
- zero with analysis

**SIGNING DO PASS:**

*Lesley Martin*  
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*John W. ...*  
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*D.C. ...*  
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**SIGNING OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:**

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*[Signature]*  
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 Chairman's signature



Official Business

# Alaska State Legislature

## House

P.O. BOX V  
State Capitol  
Juneau, Alaska 99811

STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

HOUSE BILL 264

FILE CONTENTS

1. HB 264: AN ACT RELATING TO THE REENLISTMENT BONUS FOR MEMBERS OF THE ALASKA NATIONAL GUARD AND ALASKA NAVAL MILITIA; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE
2. TRANSMITTAL LETTER FROM GOVERNOR COWPER

### FISCAL NOTE

- A. MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, ALASKA NATIONAL GUARD BENEFITS, RETENTION BENEFITS: -0-

STEVE COWPER  
GOVERNOR



STATE OF ALASKA  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
JUNEAU

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April 9, 1987

The Honorable Ben Grussendorf  
Speaker of the House  
Alaska State Legislature  
P.O. Box V  
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Representative Grussendorf:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the reenlistment bonus for members of the Alaska National Guard and Alaska Naval Militia. The bill reduces the pool of members eligible to receive a reenlistment bonus, most significantly by eliminating from eligibility full-time employees of the National Guard and full-time employees of the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs.

AS 26.05.265, as amended in 1983, provides for payment of a \$500 bonus annually for each year of reenlistment, up to \$3,000 for a member's entire service. AS 26.05.265(b). Certain members who were receiving the pre-1983 type of bonus, which was equal to 10 days' pay, were "grandfathered" into that bonus until they retired, resigned, or were otherwise discharged. Sec. 2, ch. 62, SLA 1983.

Section 1 of this bill makes federal employees who are full-time technicians or active guard reserve employees, and full-time employees of the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs, ineligible to receive a reenlistment bonus. AS 26.05.265(c). Additionally, the bill amends AS 26.05.-265(b) to provide for pro rata payment of an annual bonus when a member becomes ineligible due to other amendments made by this bill, or when a member dies, is disabled, or is discharged from enlisted status to accept a warrant or commission as an officer.

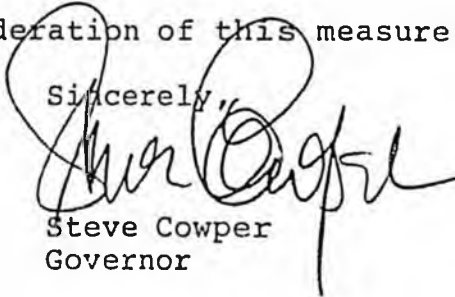
Section 2 of the bill repeals the "grandfather" language of sec. 2, ch. 62, SLA 1983, finally discontinuing payment of the 10-days'-pay bonus.

Hon. Ben Grussendorf

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I urge your favorable consideration of this measure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Cowper". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "S".

Steve Cowper  
Governor

STATE OF ALASKA 1987 LEGISLATIVE SESSION  
FISCAL NOTE



REQUEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Bill Version: HB 264  
Publish Date: HOUSE 4/10/87

Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: Reenlistment Bonus for Members of  
the AKNG and AK Naval Militia  
Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Requestor: Governor

Agency Affected: Military & Veterans Affairs  
BRU: Alaska National Guard Benefits

Components: Retention Benefits

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

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

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

See attached

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Approved by Commissioner: MG John W. Schaeffer  
Agency: Department of Military & Veterans Affairs

Date: 4/6/87

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This program was funded at \$484,400 during fiscal year 1987. A budget decrement for \$304,000 has been submitted in the FY88 budget bringing the revised funding level to \$180,400. This decrement has been submitted based on the elimination of the reenlistment bonus program for the National Guardsmen with over twelve years of service. The program will be maintained for those members in the seven to twelve year group where the program has proven most effective in retaining members.