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REQUEST

Revision Date: _____
Title: Alaska Airlines Fly to
Siberia
Sponsor: Sturgulewski
Requestor: Abood

Agency Affected: DOT&PF
BRU: _____
Components: _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CAPITAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
REVENUE						

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS:

There is no fiscal impact to the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities.

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Approved by Commissioner: ^{FB} Mark S. Hickey Date: 1-26-88
Agency: DOT&PF

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Senate

MEMORANDUM

February 8, 1988

TO: Representative Bette Cato, Chairman
House Transportation Committee

FROM: Senator Arliss Sturgulewski 
Senate District F

RE: SJR 54 "Expressing support for the Alaska Airlines application
for approval to fly to Siberia."

The recent U.S. and Soviet summit meeting has resulted in the opportunity for the establishment of air links between the U.S. and Russia. Alaska Airlines has submitted an application to begin flights to Provideniya, Siberia from Nome, Alaska. Preliminary discussions have begun between the U.S. Department of Transportation and their Soviet counterpart. This resolution would show support from the State of Alaska for approval of the Alaska - Siberia connection.

There is a zero fiscal note and the resolution received unanimous support in the Senate. I have attached the relevant backup material and hope you will be able to schedule SJR 54 for an early hearing.

Please contact my office if you have any questions.

Attachments

SCHEDULE
(Saturday and Sunday)

	<u>ANC</u>		<u>OME</u>		<u>PROVIDENIYA</u>
	<u>Arr.</u>	<u>Dep.</u>	<u>Arr.</u>	<u>Dep.</u>	<u>Arr.</u> <u>Dep.</u>
Flight 001		0700	0830	0910	0955
Flight 002	1315		1115	1155	1030
Flight 003		1245	1415	1455	1540
Flight 004	1855		1700	1735	1615

1. The above schedule is illustrative of the B-727/B737 summer season service pattern that Alaska Airlines would operate and all times set forth are expressed in Alaska Daylight Time without modification for crossing the international dateline.
2. Alaska Airlines initially contemplates operating a twice weekly service pattern (two round trip flights on each day) during the ten week summer season and further flights would be added when justified by traffic levels.



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Alaska Airlines News

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

January 12, 1988

ALASKA AIRLINES ANNOUNCES FILING
TO SERVE SIBERIAN CITY

SEATTLE -- Alaska Airlines announced today that it has filed an application with the U.S. Department of Transportation to provide scheduled air service between Nome, Alaska, and Provideniya, Siberia, U.S.S.R.

Provideniya, a Soviet Far Eastern city of approximately 4,500 persons, is located on the southeastern tip of the Chukchi Peninsula. The city is about 230 nautical miles across the Bering Sea from Nome.

According to Bruce R. Kennedy, chairman and chief executive officer of the airline, the proposed service would establish a new transportation link between the U.S. and the U.S.S.R.

Kennedy said the new service, if approved by the appropriate U.S. and Soviet authorities, would reunite the indigenous Native people of Alaska and Siberia and provide a unique tourist opportunity for travelers interested in the Arctic and the Soviet Far East.

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While acknowledging that diplomatic and technical questions need to be answered before service can begin, Kennedy said, "Alaska Airlines is no stranger in the arena of Soviet/U.S. aviation." During the summers of 1970, 1971 and 1972 Kennedy noted Alaska Airlines operated some thirty round trip charters between Anchorage and the Siberian city of Khabarovsk, as well as to Leningrad.

Alaska Airlines, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Alaska Air Group, Inc., serves 30 cities in six Western states.

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application would provide a further opportunity for both the United States and the U.S.S.R. to solidify these relationships.

The Nome Gateway has long been a major Alaskan tourist destination during the winter as well as summer months and the addition of a stopover at Provideniya would likely prove extremely attractive to a number of U.S. tourists. The fact that Provideniya is only approximately 230 nautical miles distant from Nome, Alaska would also mean that the new transportation link would assist in re-establishing the longstanding cultural relationships that exist between many native Alaskans and Siberians.

Alaska Airlines was the last U.S. carrier to have operated regular service to Siberia and is therefore particularly well-suited to provide the proposed service. During the 1970-72 period, Alaska pioneered and operated a weekly B-707 charter program to Khabarovsk in Siberia as well as to Leningrad. In conducting that unique program, Alaska Airlines was required to cooperate extensively with the U.S.S.R. and Aeroflot and it is expected that their familiarity with Alaska would allow for a relatively easy implementation of a tourist and exchange program to Provideniya once the Department issues the requested certificate of public convenience and necessity.

In further support of this application, Alaska states as follows:

1. Alaska Airlines, Inc. has its principal headquarters located at 9300 Pacific Highway South, Seattle, Washington 98188. Alaska Airlines is incorporated under the laws of the State of Alaska and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Alaska Air Group Inc., a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware.

2. Alaska Airlines, Inc. is a citizen of the United States within the meaning of Section 101(13) of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958, as amended. Each of Alaska's officers and directors is a U.S. citizen and the owners of record of at least 75% of Alaska's outstanding voting securities are U.S. citizens.

3. Alaska Airlines has repeatedly been found fit, willing and able to provide interstate and foreign air transportation and the Department is requested to take official notice of Alaska's continuing fitness. See e.g. Order 82-6-80, 82-8-69, 81-12-131 and 81-1-30.

4. Alaska Airlines will engage in the carriage of persons, property and mail between Nome, Alaska and Provideniya, Siberia, U.S.S.R. and this service would be operated with either B-727-200 or B-737-200 aircraft. Alaska currently owns and operates a number of such aircraft.

5. Alaska will also shortly provide a map depicting the route between Nome, Alaska and Provideniya, Siberia and an illustrative service proposal setting forth the aircraft type, capacity, elapsed trip time and an estimate of the fuel to be consumed during the first year of proposed operations.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, Alaska Airlines, Inc. respectfully requests that the Department issue Alaska Airlines, Inc. a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing Alaska to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation between Nome, Alaska and Provideniya, Siberia U.S.S.R. or grant such other relief as the Department may deem appropriate.

ALASKA AIRLINES, INC.

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January 12, 1988

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing application was served by mail, postage prepaid, upon the persons named below.

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

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BILL NO: SJR 54
SUBJECT: SUPPORT AK AIRLINES FLIGHTS TO SIBERIA
MESSAGE: THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT FROM THE SENATE ENCOURAGING THE DEVELOPMENT OF DIRECT CULTURAL AND COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES BETWEEN NOME AND PROVIDENIYA BY ALASKA AIRLINES. WE BELIEVE THAT THESE FLIGHTS WILL GREATLY AFFECT ALL ALASKANS, FOCUSING WORLD ATTENTION OF ALASKA'S POSITION TO INFLUENCE FRIENDSHIP, GOODWILL AND TRADE BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND U.S.S.R.

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Mary Van Nimwegen

H. TRANS. 2-17-88 1:30 p.m.

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)

Date referred: 2/3/88

FURTHER REFERRALS:

DATE: February 17, 1988

The Transportation Committee has considered SJR 54

Expressing support for the Alaska Airlines application for approval to fly to Siberia.

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
- zero with analysis same as previous zero fiscal note published 1/22/88

SIGNING DO PASS:

SIGNING OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Mike Hall

Walter Keener

Harold Springs

Bill Anderson

Butte Cook

Butte Cook

Chairman's signature



Official Business

COMMITTEE:

House Transportation Committee

DATE: February 17, 1988

SIGN-IN

Subject of meeting:

- * HB 437: "An Act relating to naming the Robert J. Mitchell Expressway."
- * HJR 52: Opposing reductions in the budget of the United States Coast Guard.
- * SJR 54: Expressing support for the Alaska Airlines application for approval to fly to

NAME Please include title	ADDRESS Please use full address. Please include zip.	PHONE	REPRESENTING Siberia.	DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY? on what?
Rep Steve Frank	The Alaska State Legislature Juneau	465-3709	Juneau Fairbanks, Alaska	HB 437
Rep Cliff Davidson	" " "	465-2487		HJR 52
Chief of operations for the 17 th Coast Guard District Capt. Wade Moncrief	Box 3-5000 Juneau, Ak. 99802	586-7354	Coast Guard	"
Sen. Arliss Sturgis	Alaska State Legislature Juneau	465-4984		SJR 54
Jim Stimpfle	Box 729 Nome, Alaska 99762	443-2002	Nome Chamber of Commerce, C.C.P.	SJR 54

* indicates first public hearing

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* SUBJECT: HTRA,FS,MITCHELL EXPY-2-17-88
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DATE: FEBRUARY 17, 1988_____
SITE: FAIRBANKS_____
SPONSOR: HOUSE TRANSPORTATION_____
SUBJECT: HB 437: ROBERT J. MITCHELL EXPRESSWAY_____
MODERATOR: BARR_____

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