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**SENATOR FRED F. ZHAROFF**  
**ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE**

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DURING SESSION:

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ALASKA PENINSULA • ALEUTIAN CHAIN • BRISTOL BAY • KODIAK ISLAND • LAKE CLARK/LAKE ILIAMNA • PRIBILOF ISLANDS • SHUMAGIN ISLANDS

18 March, 1988

**MEMORANDUM:**

**TO:** John Ringstad  
Senate Labor and Commerce Committee

**FROM:** Michael Thill  
Senator Zharoff's Staff

**SUBJ:** Proposed amendment to CSSB 358(C&RA)

Senator Zharoff has asked me to speak with you regarding an amendment to CSSB 358(C&RA) which would satisfy his concerns. We would like to know if an L&C CS could be developed which would exempt communities with a population of 5,000 or less from both the requirement to adopt the state procurement code or their own procurement code for A&E professional services. Of course all municipalities would be free to adopt the state procurement code if they so chose.

Additionally, we would like to require all municipalities to be subject to the state procurement code (A&E services) for those projects which exceed \$1,000,000.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

# STATE OF ALASKA

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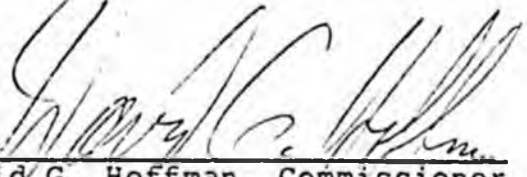
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December 18, 1987

## Certification of Population

Under the authority vested in me by AS 29.45.080(e), I, David G. Hoffman, Commissioner of the Department of Community and Regional Affairs, do hereby certify the population of each municipality as of July 1, 1987 as shown on the "Municipal Tax Limitation Populations for Boroughs and Cities".

  
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David G. Hoffman, Commissioner

12-18-87  
Date

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS  
MUNICIPAL TAX LIMITATION POPULATIONS FOR BOROUGHS AND CITIES  
December 17, 1987

AKHIOK	109	FAIRBANKS	27,099
AKIACHAK	448	FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH	75,079
AKIAK	247	FORT YUKON	678
AKUTAN	271	GALENA	998
ALAKANUK	571	GAMBELL	522
ALEKNAGIK	180	GOLOVIN	139
ALEUTIANS EAST BOROUGH	2,091	GOODNEWS BAY	219
ALLAKAKET	197	GPAYLING	211
AMBLER	255	HAINES	1,151
ANAKTUVUK PASS	234	HAINES BOROUGH	1,991
ANCHORAGE	248,263	HOLY CROSS	276
ANDERSON	775	HOMER	4,020
ANGOON	639	HOONAH	906
ANIAK	518	HOOPER BAY	776
ANVIK	83	HOUSTON	821
ATMAUTLUAK	234	HUGHES	93
ATQASUK	248	HUSLIA	258
BARROW	3,075	HYDABURG	475
BETHEL	4,462	JUNEAU, CITY & BOROUGH	29,370
BETTLES	55	KACHEMAK	325
BREVIK MISSION	172	KAKE	665
BRISTOL BAY BOROUGH	1,326	KAKTOVIK	201
BUCKLAND	259	KALTAG	295
CHEFORNAK	329	KASAAN	80
CHEVAK	582	KASIGLUK	413
CHIGNIK	132	KENAI	6,546
CHUATHBALUK	123	KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH	43,612
CLARK'S POINT	79	KETCHIKAN	7,601
COLD BAY	157	KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH	12,982
CORDOVA	2,585	KIANA	434
CRAIG	1,167	KING COVE	713
DEERING	157	KIVALINA	285
DELTA JUNCTION	1,207	KLAWOCK	760
DILLINGHAM	2,153	KOBUK	65
DIOMEDE	178	KODIAK	6,681
EAGLE	198	KODIAK ISLAND BOROUGH	14,127
EEK	257	KOTLIK	432
EKWOK	110	KOTZEBUE	3,594
ELIM	257	KOYUKUK	131
EMMONAK	613	KOYUK	216

KUPREANOF	41
KWETHLUK	513
LARSEN BAY	217
LOWER KALSKAG	271
McGRATH	509
MANOKOTAK	318
MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH	44,280
MARSHALL	270
MEKORYUK	173
MOUNTAIN VILLAGE	665
NAPAKIAK	353
NAPASKIAK	311
NENANA	552
NEWHALEN	172
NEW STUYAHOK	380
NEWTOK	213
NIGHTMUTE	153
NIKOLAI	119
NOME	3,876
NONDALTON	247
NOORVIK	560
NORTH POLE	1,640
NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH	10,904
NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH	6,696
NUIQSUT	320
NULATO	368
NUNAPITCHUK	365
OLD HARBOR	380
OUZINKIE	235
PALMER	3,116
PELICAN	273
PETERSBURG	3,282
PILOT STATION	419
PLATINUM	62
POINT HOPE	600
PORT ALEXANDER	131
PORT HEIDEN	114
PORT LIONS	302
QUINHAGAK	493
RUBY	241

RUSSIAN MISSION	231
SAINT GEORGE	216
SAINT MARY'S	458
SAINT MICHAEL	305
SAINT PAUL	466
SAND POINT	890
SAVDONGA	487
SAXMAN	273
SCAMMON BAY	326
SELAWIK	682
SELDOVIA	403
SEWARD	2,279
SHAGELUK	167
SHAKTOOLIK	187
SHELDON POINT	134
SHISHMAREF	444
SHUNGNAK	245
SITKA, CITY & BOROUGH	8,160
SKAGWAY	712
SOLDOTNA	3,818
STEBBINS	384
TANANA	418
TELLER	247
TENAKEE SPRINGS	123
THORNE BAY	475
TOGIAK	623
TOKSOOK BAY	396
TULUKSAK	321
TUNUNAK	337
UNALAKLEET	759
UNALASKA	1,331
UPPER KALSKAG	165
VALDEZ	3,686
WAINWRIGHT	542
WALES	150
WASILLA	3,977
WHITE MOUNTAIN	170
WHITTIER	333
WRANGELL	3,112
YAKUTAT	456

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IN THE HOUSE

HOUSE BILL NO.

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

A BILL

for an Act entitled: "An Act making miscellaneous amendments and extending  
the termination date of the State Board of  
Registration for Architects, Engineers and Land  
Surveyors, and providing for an effective date."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

\*Section 1. AS 08.03.010(c)(15) is amended to read:

(15) State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers and  
Land Surveyors (AS 08.48.011) - June 30, 1992 [1988].

\*Sec. 2. AS 08.48.331 is repealed and reenacted to read:

Sec. 08.48.331. EXEMPTIONS. This chapter does not apply to:

- (1) a contractor of work designed by a professional architect, or engineer, or the supervision of the construction of this work as a foreman or superintendent for a contractor;
- (2) superintendents, foremen, inspectors, or building trades craftsmen in the performance of their customary duties;
- (3) an officer or employee of the United States Government practicing architecture, engineering or land surveying as required by that person's official capacity;

1 (4) an employee or a subordinate of a person legally  
2 registered under this chapter, if the work or service is done under the  
3 direct supervision of a person legally registered under this chapter;

4 (5) associates, consultants or specialists retained by a  
5 registered individual, a partnership of legally registered individuals,  
6 or a corporation authorized under this chapter, in the performance of  
7 professional services if responsible charge of the work remains with the  
8 individual, partnership or designated representative of the corporation;

9 (6) a person preparing plans, drawings, or specifications for

10 (A) farm or ranch buildings, unless the public health,  
11 safety, or welfare is involved;

12 (B) a building intended to be used only as a residence  
13 by not more than four families and not more than two stories high;

14 (C) a building not intended for public use with a total  
15 of not more than 1,000 square feet of floor space, unless the  
16 public health safety, or welfare is involved;

17 (7) a specialty contractor licensed under AS 08.18 while  
18 engaged in the business of contracting or designing systems for work  
19 within the specialty to be performed or supervised by the specialty  
20 contractor, or any contractor preparing shop or field drawings for work  
21 which the specialty contractor has contracted to perform;

22 (8) a person furnishing plans, drawings, specifications,  
23 instruments of service, or other data for any alterations or repairs to  
24 a building that do not change or affect the structural system, safety of  
25 the building, or the public health, safety, or welfare.  
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1 \*Sec. 3. AS 08.48.341 is amended to read:

2 Sec. 08.48.341. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter

3 (1) "architect" means a professional architect;

4 (2) "board" means the State Board of Registration for  
5 Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors;

6 (3) "certificate of authorization" means a certificate issued  
7 by the board authorizing a corporation to provide professional services  
8 in architecture, engineering or land surveying through individuals  
9 legally registered by the board;

10 (4) "certificate of registration" means a certificate issued  
11 by the board recognizing the individual named in the certificate as  
12 meeting the requirements for registration under this chapter;

13 (5) "engineer" means a professional engineer;

14 (6) "land surveyor" means a professional land surveyor;

15 (7) "practice of architecture" means professional service or  
16 creative work in the [FUNCTIONAL AND AESTHETIC] design of buildings  
17 [STRUCTURES], the teaching of advanced architectural courses in  
18 institutions of higher learning, consultation, investigation,  
19 evaluation, planning, design and professional observation of  
20 construction of public or private [STRUCTURES,] buildings, works or  
21 projects, and architectural review of plans and specifications by  
22 regulatory agencies; it may by regulation of the board include  
23 mechanical, electrical or structural design of [RELATIVELY] minor  
24 importance [TO THE PROJECT AS A WHOLE].

25 (8) "practice of engineering" means professional service or  
26 creative work, the adequate performance of which requires the

1 [APPLICATION OF] specialized knowledge of applied mathematics and  
2 sciences, dealing with the [FUNCTIONAL AND ECONOMIC] design of  
3 [BUILDINGS,] structures, machines, equipment, utilities systems,  
4 materials, processes, works or projects, public or private; the teaching  
5 of advanced engineering courses in institutions of higher learning; [,]  
6 the direction of or the performance of engineering surveys,  
7 consultation, investigation, evaluation, planning, [DESIGN,] and  
8 professional observation of construction of public and private  
9 structures, [BUILDINGS,] works or projects and engineering review of  
10 plans and specifications by regulatory agencies; it may by regulation of  
11 the board include architectural building design of [RELATIVELY] minor  
12 importance [TO THE PROJECT AS A WHOLE], but it does not include  
13 comprehensive architectural services;

14 (9) "practice of land surveying" means any service or work  
15 the adequate performance of which involves the application of special  
16 knowledge of the principles of mathematics, the related sciences, and  
17 the relevant requirements of law for adequate evidence of the act of  
18 measuring and locating land, geodetic and cadastral surveys for the  
19 location and monumentation of property boundaries, for the platting and  
20 planning of land and subdivisions, and for the preparation and  
21 perpetuation of maps, record plats, field note records and property  
22 descriptions that represent these surveys;

23 (10) "professional architect" means a person who has been  
24 legally registered as a professional architect by the board;

25 (11) "professional engineer" means a person who has been  
26 legally registered as a professional engineer by the board;

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(12) "professional land surveyor" means a person who has been legally registered as a professional land surveyor by the board;

(13) "responsible charge" means the direct control and personal supervision of work;

(14) "building" means a structure used or intended for human occupancy;

(15) "structure" means a system of materials and components that resist horizontal and vertical loads.

\*Sec. 4. AS 08.48.081 is repealed.

\*Sec. 5. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

# Alaska State Legislature



SENATOR  
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Vice-Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee  
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## Senate

M E M O R A D U M

26 January 1988

TO: Senator Tim Kelly  
Chairman, Senate Labor & Commerce Committee

FROM: Senator Arliss Sturgulewski

RE: Senate Bill 358 - "An Act relating to municipal procurement of architectural, engineering, and land surveying services."

As you know, Senate Bill 358 has been referred to your committee. I appreciate your scheduling a hearing on this bill.

Current state statutes do not require municipalities to follow any particular procedure when contracting for architectural, engineering, or land surveying services. Senate Bill 358 adds a section to Title 29 outlining procedures for municipalities to follow in order to comply with AS 36.30.270 - that section of the procurement code outlining the process by which state agencies must select architects, engineers, and land surveyors.

That process includes negotiating a contract with the most qualified firm or individual and awarding the contract for fair and reasonable compensation after determining the value of the services, the scope and the complexity of the project. Also included in the section are procedures to follow when negotiations with the most qualified firm or person are not successful and when price may be included as an added factor.

Under the proposed statute, a municipality may exempt itself, or part of itself, from the requirements of AS 36.30.279 by adopting an ordinance that establishes a selection process.

Also attached is Resolution 88-37 of the Alaska Municipal League adopted in November during the Municipal League convention as well as a copy of AS 36.30.270.

This legislation is substantially similar in concept to SB 204, passed in 1986, which placed the same requirements on state agencies. It was also known as the "mini-Brooks bill".

This bill was heard before the Senate Community & Regional Affairs Committee on 28 January 1988. A committee substitute was required in order to incorporate language stating specifically that this legislation applies to home rule municipalities. The fiscal note is zero.

**Sec. 36.30.270. Architectural, engineering, and land surveying contracts.** (a) Notwithstanding conflicting provisions of AS 36.30.100 — 36.30.260, a procurement officer shall negotiate a contract for an agency with the most qualified and suitable firm or person of demonstrated competence for architectural, engineering, or land surveying services. The procurement officer shall award a contract for those services at fair and reasonable compensation as determined by the procurement officer, after consideration of the estimated value of the services to be rendered, and the scope, complexity, and professional nature of the services. When determining the most qualified and suitable firm or person, the procurement officer shall consider the

(1) proximity to the project site of the office of the firm or person unless federal law prohibits this factor from being considered in the awarding of the contract; and

(2) employment practices of the firm or person with regard to women and minorities.

(b) If negotiations with the most qualified and suitable firm or person under (a) of this section are not successful, the procurement officer shall negotiate a contract with other qualified firms or persons of demonstrated competence, in order of public ranking. The procurement officer may reject all or part of a proposal.

(c) This section does not apply to contracts awarded in a situation of public necessity if the procurement officer certifies in writing that a situation of public necessity exists.

(d) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, a procurement officer may include price as an added factor in selecting architectural, engineering, and land surveying services when, in the judgment of the procurement officer, the services required are repetitious in nature, and the scope, nature, and amount of services required are thoroughly defined by measurable and objective standards to reasonably enable firms or persons making proposals to compete with a clear understanding and interpretation of the services required. In order to include price as a factor in selection, a majority of the persons involved by the procurement officer in evaluation of the proposals must be registered in the state to perform architectural, engineering, or land surveying services.

(e) This section does not apply to a contract that incorporates both design services and construction. (§ 2 ch 106 SLA 1986)

**Cross references.** — For professional registration requirements for contracts under this section, see AS 36.90.100.

RESOLUTION OF THE ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE

RESOLUTION NO. 88-37

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALASKA MUNICIPAL LEAGUE SUPPORTING  
SELECTION OF DESIGN PROFESSIONALS THROUGH  
A QUALIFICATION-BASED PROCESS.

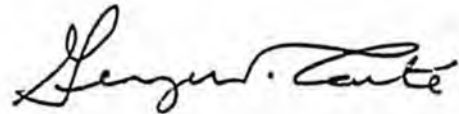
WHEREAS, this process attempts to assure that selection of design professionals based on qualifications (while providing for negotiation of fair and reasonable compensation) will obtain the best professional services for the most equitable fee, and

WHEREAS, the federal government implemented a procedure for selection of design professionals on the basis of qualifications, as set forth in Public Law 92-582, and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska adopted a procedure for selection of design professionals based on qualifications, as set forth in A.S. 36.908.043;

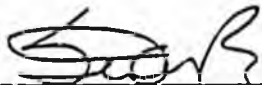
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Municipal League supports the selection of design professionals through a qualification-based process as expressed in federal and state law and urges its members to support state legislation adopting this process for municipalities while at the same time providing for local option for those municipalities which choose to adopt their own ordinance addressing this selection process.

Adopted this 13th day of November 1987.



George W. Carta', President

ATTEST:



Scott A. Burgess, Executive Director

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: "An Act..municipal procurement..  
engineering..land surveying services."  
Sponsor: Sturgulewski, Hensley etc  
Requestor: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency Affected: Community & Regional Affairs  
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-

CAPITAL						
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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	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

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Prepared by: Jim Plasman, Deputy Director  
Division: Municipal & Regional Assistance

Phone: 465-4750  
Date: 1-27-88

Approved by Commissioner: [Signature]  
Agency: Community & Regional Affairs

Date: 1-27-88

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FROM: Melissa Aber Fouse  
Staff to Senator Arliss Sturgulewski *MAF*

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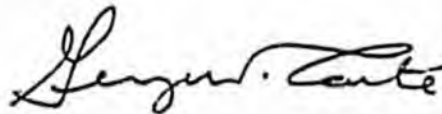
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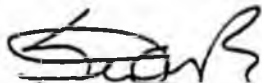
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January 28, 1988

## POSITION PAPER

RE: Senate Bill 358

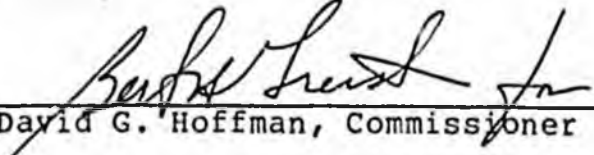
SPONSOR: Senator Sturgulewski, et. al.

### Program Effects of Bill

This bill would make the provisions of AS 36.30.270, regarding the procurement of architectural, engineering and land surveying services applicable to municipalities and their administrative units, unless they choose to exempt themselves from coverage by ordinance.

### Comments

Generally, the thrust of Title 29, as recodified in 1985, was to increase local determination of standards and requirements of this nature and to reduce reliance upon state standards. However, this bill provides that municipalities may choose to exempt themselves from the coverage of AS 36.30.270 by passage of an ordinance establishing a selection process. The department does not oppose this bill.

  
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David G. Hoffman, Commissioner