

HB

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Sen. Mitch Abood, Chair, Senate State Affairs

FROM: Rep. Mike Davis *Mik*

DATE: May 6, 1988

RE: CSHB 144 (Fin) Relating to the Rural Alaska
Television Network Council

During discussion of an intent language report on Telecommunications in the Department of Administration subcommittee of the House Finance Committee, members discovered that the Rural Alaska Television Network Council was created and continues to exist only in intent language.

The council was created in intent language in HB 50 in 1981 and modified in intent language in HB 500 in 1986 (copies of both attached).

Sheila Gottehrer, director of boards and commissions in the Office of the Governor, informed me that this is the only board or commission that is not established in statute and for which terms are not specified.

CSHB 144 (Fin) establishes the Rural Alaska Television Network Council in statute.

Section 1 of the bill designates the Council as the body that makes programming decisions for the satellite television project.

Section 2 describes the membership, appointing authority, terms and duties of the Council.

Section 3 establishes a sunset provision for the council and for the Alaska Public Broadcasting Commission, which has not been reviewed since 1981.

Section 4 establishes terms for the current members of the council.

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<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Education, p. 10, line 26	\$ 719,600
University of Alaska, p. 19, line 16	6,028,100
Environmental Conservation, p. 47, line 26	825,200
Fish and Game, p. 45, line 8	1,495,300
Health & Social Services, p. 40, line 5	812,100
Labor, p. 31, line 17	656,300
Law, p. 30, line 16	6,685,700
Natural Resources, p. 41, line 23	1,033,200
Revenue, p. 81, line 18	1,089,400
Transportation, p. 66, line 18	895,100

Letter of Intent on FCCS SB 50 follows:

Letter of Intent

For

FCCS HB 50

The following policy applies to television services provided by the State of Alaska through the Division of Telecommunications Systems Operations:

A channel for instructional television and a channel for the state satellite television project may be provided to communities which want this service, with at least 25 year-round residents, including at least 8 students attending school there, or taking correspondence courses. This is not intended to prevent use of state funds for additional television channels.

Although the allocations in paragraphs (1) - (5) and (10) are based on the cost of purchasing and installing small earth stations, and one mini-transmitter per channel, it is intended that engineering designs be site specific to provide television signal at least as good as the specified equipment would provide, in the most cost effective manner.

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It is intended that a new rural Alaska television users network be formed to serve as the policy committee for programming the state satellite television project, with one consumer member selected by each regional nonprofit native association, in Alaska, and two members selected at large by the Governor.

The following distribution of funds shall guide the Department of Administration in allocating line 08 of the budget component Telecommunications Systems Operations:

Circle Hot Springs, Trapper Creek and Matanuska-Knik Area purchase, installation and maintenance of earth stations and transmitters, and the allocations below for equipment for Sitka, have priority within this appropriation.

The sum of \$7,465,050

appropriation to the Division of Telecommunications Systems Operations is to be distributed for the purposes and amounts listed in this intent:

(1) \$3,036,000 is funded for purchase and installation of equipment, extend Instructional Television and, if comparable commercial broadcast service is not available, extend the satellite television project to:

Anderson, Bettles, Birch Creek, Chignik Bay, Clarks Point, Ekuk, Eek, Elfin Cove, English Bay, Ernestine, Gakona, Girdwood, Goodnews Bay, Gustavus, Halibut Cove, Hope, Hyder, Kasigluk, Kasilof, Klawock, Kokhanok, Kvethluk, Levelock, Lower Kalakag, Manokotak, Metlakatla, Meyers Chuck, Moose Pass, Naknek, Napaskiak, Newhalen, Paxson, Pitkas Point, Port Moller, Port Protection, Portage Creek, Quinhagak, Scammon Bay, Sheldon Point, Tuluksak, Tuntutuliak, Wales, White Mountain, and Wiseman.

(2) \$715,000 is funded for purchase and installation of equipment to extend instructional television to Anchor Point, Big Lake Eagle River, Homer, Houston, Kenny Lake, Nanichik, Palmer, Seldivia, Sterling, Sutton, Wasilla, and Willow.

(3) \$636,000 is funded for purchase and installation of equipment to extend instructional television and, if comparable commercial broadcast service is not available, to extend the satellite television project to Adak, Alakanuk, Chefornek, Chignik Lagoon, Chignik Lake, Central, Circle, Ekvok, Igiugig, Ivanoff Bay, Kasaan, Kotlik, Koyukuk, Kvigillin-gok, Manley Hot Springs, Minchumina, Newtok, Nightmute, Pedro Bay, Point Baker, Fort Aleworth, Stevens Village, Starvechin, and Tununak.

1	DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION (CONT.)		APPROPRIATION	APPROPRIATION	FUND SOURCES
2		ALLOCATIONS	ITEMS	GENERAL FUND	OTHER FUNDS
3					
4	TELECOMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONS				
5	RURAL ALASKA TELEVISION NETWORK (4 POSITIONS)	3,550,000			
6	IT IS THE INTENT OF THE LEGISLATURE THAT THE				
7	STATE-PROVIDED TELEVISION SERVICES, RATHER AND				
8	LEARN/ALASKA, BE COMBINED ON ONE STATEWIDE NETWORK				
9	MANAGED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION.				
10	THE DIVISION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONS WILL				
11	BE RESPONSIBLE FOR NETWORK PROGRAMMING MANAGEMENT AND				
12	ADMINISTRATION, THE NETWORK TECHNICAL OPERATIONS CENTER,				
13	SYSTEM MAINTENANCE, TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION				
14	CHARGES AND LICENSING.				
15	ALL FUNDS ASSOCIATED WITH NETWORK TRANSMISSION,				
16	DISTRIBUTION, MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION WILL BE IN A				
17	SEPARATE COMPONENT OF THIS BILL. FUNDING FOR				
18	TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION WILL INCLUDE UPLINKS FROM				
19	ANCHORAGE, JUNEAU AND KOTZEBUE, ONE SATELLITE				
20	TRANSMISSION AND STATEWIDE DOWNLINKS.				
21	PROGRAMMING DECISIONS WILL BE MADE BY				
22	REPRESENTATIVES OF EACH USER GROUP. THE RURAL ALASKA				
23	TELEVISION NETWORK COUNCIL WILL BE EXPANDED FROM ITS				
24	PRESENT COMPOSITION OF 12 REGIONAL, NON-PROFIT NATIVE				
25	COMMUNITIES REPRESENTATIVES AND TWO GOVERNOR-APPOINTED				
26	STATEWIDE REPRESENTATIVES TO INCLUDE ONE REPRESENTATIVE				
27	FROM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, ONE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF				
28	Alaska Chapter 129				

1	DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION (CONT.)		APPROPRIATION	APPROPRIATION	FUND SOURCES
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3					
4	ALASKA AND ONE FROM THE ALASKA PUBLIC BROADCASTING				
5	COMMISSION. APBC REPRESENTATION WILL BE DELEGATED TO A				
6	MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TELEVISION NETWORK OF ALASKA.				
7	THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE COMBINED TELEVISION				
8	NETWORK WILL BE JULY 1, 1984.				
9	TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES (7 POSITIONS)	713,400			
10	AS 49.21 STATES THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION IS				
11	STATUTORILY ACCOUNTABLE FOR STUDYING, DESIGNING,				
12	IMPLEMENTING AND MANAGING THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS				
13	AND SERVICES OF THE STATE. IN ORDER TO INTELLIGENTLY				
14	PLAN OUT TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE, ESPECIALLY				
15	IN A TIME OF DECLINING OIL REVENUES, IT IS REQUESTED THAT				
16	THE DEPARTMENT DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ON				
17	INFORMATION RESOURCES MANAGEMENT WHICH INCORPORATES				
18	STATEWIDE ACCESSIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY TO THE USERS				
19	OF THE TELECOMMUNICATION SYSTEMS AND SERVICES.				
20	WITH THE RAPID CHANGE IN TECHNOLOGY AND THE				
21	UPHEAVAL IN THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY, IT IS				
22	IMPERATIVE THAT THE STATE OF ALASKA DEVELOP A				
23	COST-EFFECTIVE INFORMATION RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN,				
24	RATHER THAN REDEVELOPING AN EXISTANT TELECOMMUNICATIONS				
25	INFRASTRUCTURE MERELY IN RESPONSE TO ECONOMIC SIGNALS.				
26	THE STATE MUST CREATE AN EFFICIENT INFORMATION RESOURCE				
27	MANAGEMENT PLAN. TECHNOLOGY, ABOVE ALL, SHOULD STRIVE				
28	Chapter 129				

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BILL VERSION: CSHB 144 (FIN)
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FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____
Title: Relating to Rural Alaska
Television Network
Sponsor: Rules
Requestor: House Finance

Agency Affected: Administration
BRU: Telecommunications
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						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

The bill makes no changes in the number of members or meetings of the Rural Alaska Television Network Council and thus has no fiscal impact.

Prepared by: Al Adams
Division: Chairman, House Finance Committee

Phone: 465-3706
Date: April 27, 1988

Approved by Commissioner: _____
Agency: _____

Date: _____

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STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
JUNEAU

February 18, 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 program receipts of the state library and state museum.

Section 1 of the bill makes express the Department of Education's authority to establish and collect a broader range of fees connected with the use and operations of the state library.

Section 2 of the bill deletes the modifiers "publication and distribution," thus requiring that the commissioner of administration separately account for all fees collected under AS 14.56.030(10).

Section 3 of the bill makes express the department's authority to establish and collect fees connected with the use and operations of the state museum.

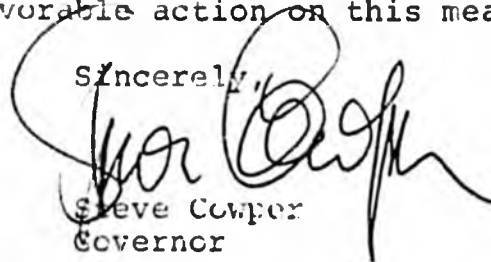
Section 4 of the bill amends AS 14.57.015 to reflect that these museum "program receipts" will be dealt with in the same manner as are "program receipts" from endowments, grants, and gifts received under AS 14.57.010(b)(4). By identifying the user fee program receipts in this manner, it is anticipated that that amount of money would be appropriated for use by the Department of Education in carrying out the programs, functions, and services of the state museum. A technical amendment is also made to AS 14.57.015 to correct an apparent oversight by adding a reference to the third type of "receipt" listed in AS 14.57.010(b)(4).

Hon. Ben Grussendorf

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This bill is supported by the directors of the Alaska state museum and the state library and the commissioner of education. I urge your favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Cowper", written over the word "Sincerely,".

Steve Cowper
Governor