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FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: 1/15/87  
Title: "An Act relating to loans by a candidate to the campaign. . ."  
Sponsor: Sen. Fischer  
Requestor: Legislature

Agency Affected: Alaska Public Office Commission  
BRU: \_\_\_\_\_  
Components: \_\_\_\_\_

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	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	0	0	0	0	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0	0	0	0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

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

POSITIONS:

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

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This measure will have no impact on the Alaska Public Offices Commission.

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Agency: Chairman, Alaska Public Offices Commission

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# STATE OF ALASKA 1987 LEGISLATIVE SESSION FISCAL NOTE

Bill Version: SB 6  
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**REQUEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: An Act relating to loans by a candidate to the campaign . . .  
Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Requestor: Senate State Affairs

Agency Affected: Administration  
BRU: Alaska Public Offices Commission  
Components: \_\_\_\_\_

### 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	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

POSITIONS: -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0-

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

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POSITION PAPER

SB 6

This bill amends the Campaign Disclosure Law by establishing "the day before the election" as the deadline for a candidate to recover any loans the candidate has made to his or her campaign. It also specifies that contributions received after the deadline may not be used for repayment of the loan.

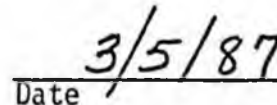
Such a provision would reduce the purpose for post-election fundraisers to paying off debts to others, i.e., outstanding bills to vendors or campaign loans from others. Candidates who, because of personal wealth or a surplus from prior campaigns, could afford to forego repayment would be less affected than lesser known candidates or those whose campaign finance plans turned out to be inadequate. Some candidates might want to start their campaigns earlier than usual to assure more time for raising money from others.

The proposed language does not include campaign expenses paid directly by the candidate as subject to the repayment deadline. The only difference between a candidate's loan and the reimbursement of purchases by the candidate is whether or not the funds go into the campaign account. The bill is not explicit in prohibiting the taking of a campaign surplus as "income" by a candidate who did not repay his or her "loan" by the deadline. If this bill passes, the reporting forms should be modified to require more detail about candidate funds for the purpose of monitoring compliance. Violation of this new provision would not be subject to a fine by the Commission unless the candidate failed to report the illegal repayment. The only other possible sanction would be the general misdemeanor provision under AS 15.13.120(a).

The Commission's position on SB 6 is neutral because the bill addresses only a portion of the problem of post-election fundraisers. Effective control of campaigns that are too expensive, last too long, and are followed by fundraising of questionable propriety should be addressed in a more comprehensive fashion.

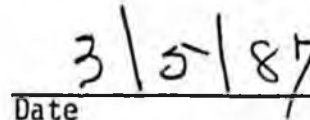


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Date



Commissioner Jean Rogers  
Alaska Public Offices Commission

  
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