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SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

FIRST COMMITTEE OF REFERRAL

Date of Feb. 19, 1987 5-DAY NOTICE
IN ACCORDANCE WITH UNIFORM RULE 23

FURTHER: FINANCE

**FISCAL NOTE(S) ATTACHED **
IN ACCORDANCE WITH AS 24.08.035
(see below)

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE Feb 27, 1987

Mr. President:

TRANSPORTATION Committee considered SB 118

access to public buildings and facilities by the physically handicapped, aged, and infirm.

and recommended:

- replace with CS _____ same title
- attached amendment(s) and new title
- do pass
- do not pass
- no recommendation
- individual recommendations
- further referral to _____
- letter of intent adopted and attached

** Committee attached or adopted fiscal note(s)
 zero fiscal impact

MEMBERS SIGNING DO PASS

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Tom Kelly
[Signature]
[Signature]

[Signature]
Chairman signature and recommendation

Committee Backup Attached

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS (Senate)

SB 118, (cont'd)

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to access to public buildings and facilities by the physically handicapped, aged, and infirm. This bill will give the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities greater flexibility in developing standards for particular facilities for which there currently are no standards.

Federal law and regulations, and the publication entitled "American Standard Specifications for Making Buildings and Facilities Accessible to and Usable by the Physically Handicapped" are presently used to determine standards for many public buildings and facilities. Section 1 of the bill will provide the department with greater flexibility in this area by allowing it to choose the best and most applicable standards from the several now in existence. For example, the federal government in 49 Federal Register 31528 (August 7, 1984) has published standards which are comparable to and in many ways more comprehensive than those found in the "American Standard Specifications for Making Buildings and Facilities Accessible to and Usable by the Physically Handicapped."

In addition, there are public facilities for which standards have not been developed. It is the intent of sec. 2 of this bill to direct the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to develop standards for unique public facilities in the State of Alaska for which there currently are no standards, e.g. for ski lifts, hiking trails, and boat harbors.

In short, this bill will clarify and broaden the authority of the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to provide access to and use of public buildings and facilities by the physically handicapped, aged, and infirm. I urge your favorable action on this measure.

Public School
Funding
(per pupil
spending)

SENATE BILL NO. 119, by the Rules Committee by Request of the Governor. See HB 126, this report, identical.

Introduced February 10 and referred to Health, Education & Social Services; Finance.

Public Safety
Info Network
(re: minors)

SENATE BILL NO. 120, by Sens. Faiks and Szymanski. Relates to the entry of information regarding minors on the Alaska Public Safety Information Network (APSIN). Amends AS 47.10.090 (Delinquent Minors and Children in Need of Aid. Children's Proceedings. Records) to allow the court to transmit the terms and conditions of probation for entry into APSIN if a minor is released on probation. This would be allowed even though a section of the same law (AS 47.10.090(a)) states that all records pertaining to a minor are privileged and may not be disclosed directly or indirectly to anyone without the court's permission. As soon as practicable after the minor completes the probation, the court would be required to request the Dept. of Public Safety to remove the information from the network. Does not provide for an effective date (bill becomes law 90 days after being signed by governor).

Introduced February 11 and referred to Judiciary.



Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities

Position Paper

BILL NO: SB 118

APPROVED: R. J. Knapp
Commissioner

TITLE: An Act Relating to Access to Public Buildings and Facilities by the Physically Handicapped, Aged and Infirm.

DATE: 11-18-86

The Department requests that the proposed language modifications be supported for the following reasons.

1. Modifications to AS 35.10.015(a) would allow the use of the "Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards" (UFAS) on all projects. Currently we administer "state" projects under the "American Standard Specifications" (ANSI) document and "federal" projects under UFAS.
2. Additional language to AS 35.10.015(e) would allow the Department to establish design parameters for specific facilities not identified in either the UFAS or ANSI codes. Presently designers working on these types of facilities have no guidelines other than applying the "inappropriate" requirements presented in the adopted codes.

All parties involved will benefit from the changes in that (1) the Department will only have to administer a single code, (2) designers will consistently know the "code" which is applicable to their project, (3) the handicapped community will receive uniformity in their built environment, and (4) the public at large will benefit from a more effective administration of accessibility requirements. These changes will not increase or diminish the already existing requirements for handicapped access to public buildings or facilities.

STATE OF ALASKA 1987 LEGISLATIVE SESSION FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date : _____

REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No. : SB 118
 Title : An Act Relating to Access to Public Buildings and Facilities by the Physically Handicapped, Aged, and Infirm.
 Sponsor : Governor's Office
 Requestor : Dept. of Transportation
 Date of Request : September 5, 1986

FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected : DOT&PF
 BRU : _____
 Components : Design, Construction, and Technical Services Units

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						
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FUNDING : (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
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

Requested changes only clarify present language and do not add to or delete from existing statutory requirements.

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Approved by Commissioner : R. J. Knapp Date : 11/19/86
 Agency : Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities

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