

HB

423

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

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Date Referred: January 18, 1990

FURTHER REFERRALS:

FINANCE

Date of Committee Action: 3-8-90

The ~~HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES~~ Committee considered: HB 423

~~HOUSE BILL NO. 423~~

APPROP: FAIRBANKS SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

"An Act making a special appropriation for payment as a grant to the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District for construction and rehabilitation of certain schools; and providing for an effective date."

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- be replaced with _____ the same title
- have 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):
(Dept)

APPROVES PREVIOUS:
(Date/Dept)

- fiscal impact _____
- zero fiscal note _____
- zero with analysis _____

- fiscal note(s) _____
- zero fiscal note(s) _____
- zero fn/analysis _____

SIGNING DO PASS:

J. Ellis
Mark Boyer

SIGNING:
(Check approp. column)

	Do Not Pass	No Rec	Amend
<i>Peter Jace</i>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<i>George J. Kelly</i>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

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 Chairman's Signature



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The Honorable Mike Davis
Alaska State Legislature
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Dear Representative Davis:

Attached are the latest editions of the Military Schools Condition Survey and Enrollment Projection/Capacity Report. Both reports confirm the significant problem we have with substandard facilities and lack of capacity to handle enrollments next year on Fort Wainwright.

Beginning in fall 1990, students will have to be bussed off Fort Wainwright into the Badger Road/North Pole attendance area, which is the only area in the district with classroom capacity to handle the problem. This situation highlights the immediate need for funding and construction of two new elementary schools on Fort Wainwright.

We are pleased with the introduction of House Bill 423 by Representative Davis, which proposes state funding for new schools on Fort Wainwright and Eielson Air Force Base. At the same time, we will continue pursuing federal participation in a solution to the problems of our military schools.

If you have any questions or suggestions for resolving this situation, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

Richard S. Cross
Superintendent of Schools

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Enclosure
cc: Fairbanks Board of Education

Comparitive Analysis: Facilities options for each program underwent comparitive analysis based on the following evaluation criteria:

- Initial Costs
- Life Cycle Costs
- Initial Disruption of Educational Programs
- Long Term Disruption of Educational Programs
- Quality of Educational Environment and Systems

C. Overview of Existing Facilities

The eight base/post schools currently accommodate students from Pre-kindergarten (special education) through the twelve grade. Table I-1 contains a breakdown of current and projected enrollments by grade level and program.

Table I-1
 Projected Base/Post School Enrollments

FT. WAINWRIGHT ELEMENTARY PROGRAM ENROLLMENTS (Full Time Equivalent)

Grade	Current		Projected				
	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	
Pre-Kg	6	6	5	6	6	6	
Kg	80	89	95	95	95	95	
1st	140	185	198	198	198	198	
2nd	138	143	179	178	178	178	
3rd	134	148	149	172	171	171	
4th	108	144	154	145	167	166	
5th	87	117	147	146	138	159	DOE
6th	108	98	122	141	140	132	Capacity
Base Totals	801	930	1050	1081	1093	1105	956

EIELSON AFB ELEMENTARY PROGRAM ENROLLMENTS (Full Time Equivalent)

Grade	Current		Projected				
	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	
Pre-Kg	1	1	1	1	2	2	
Kg	76	74	74	74	74	74	
1st	141	156	155	155	155	155	
2nd	157	124	140	140	140	140	
3rd	131	147	119	134	134	134	
4th	117	124	143	115	130	130	
5th	111	108	118	136	109	124	DOE
6th	109	105	104	113	131	105	Capacity
Base Totals	843	839	854	868	875	864	864

EIELSON AFB JR/SR HIGH PROGRAM ENROLLMENTS

Grade	Current		Projected				
	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	
7th	110	100	123	115	125	135	
8th	103	103	96	118	110	120	
9th	95	110	113	106	130	121	
10th	91	80	95	97	91	112	
11th	73	77	70	93	84	79	DOE
12th	61	57	72	56	54	73	Capacity
Base Totals	533	537	569	585	618	646	663

Based on the evaluation criteria and comparative analysis process established in this report, the following facilities options are recommended for each program:

Ft. Wainwright Elementary Program

Option No. 4: Construct two new 600 student prototypical elementary schools to replace all five existing facilities.

Total Estimated Project Costs: \$17,945,973

Eielson AFB Elementary Program

Option No. 2: Rehabilitate Anderson Elementary School and construct a new 600 student prototypical elementary school to replace Pennell and Taylor Elementary schools.

Total Estimated Project Costs: \$10,737,760

Eielson AFB Junior/Senior High School Program

Correction of identified deficiencies should be initiated as soon as possible.

Total Estimated Project Costs: \$4,984,658

Although initial costs are highest for each selected option, the life cycle costs in terms of annual equivalent dollar costs are the lowest. Additionally, implementation of the recommended options will minimize disruption to the on-going educational programs, and will provide a higher level of quality in the educational environment than the other options.

The continuation of quality educational programs at Ft. Wainwright and Eielson AFB is dependent on a major expenditure of capital to modernize an aging and outdated physical plant. Current base/post facilities are below the general standards throughout the remainder of the District.

Further delay in the implementation of a modernization plan will correspondingly increase both initial and long term costs, as well as increase the potential for program disruption. The District's abilities to provide an educational program that is commensurate with non-on base facilities have already been compromised, and deferment of facilities upgrades will eventually place the District in jeopardy of default on its agreement to provide an educational program comparable to that of non-on base schools.

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