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SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

FURTHER

4/26/89

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE _____

Mr. President:

FINANCE Committee considered SB 211

appropriation for environmental impact statements on certain proposals for road access to Juneau; efd and recommended

- replace with _____ CS _____) same title
- or adopt _____ CS _____) new title
- attached amendment(s) and technical title change (HB only)
- _____ letter of intent adopted

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

further referral to _____

Bill died in Committee.

FISCAL NOTE(S) zero fiscal impact appropriation no FN
 new updated previous
 same as previous fiscal note(s) published _____

MEMBERS SIGNING DO PASS

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Chair _____ signature and recommendation

Committee Backup attached

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

6-0969h
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FIRST COMMITTEE OF REFERRAL

Date of 5-DAY NOTICE April 16, 1989
IN ACCORDANCE WITH UNIFORM RULE 23

FIN

FURTHER

**FISCAL NOTE(S) MUST BE ATTACHED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH AS 24.08.035

3/9/89

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE April 26, 1989

Mr. President:

TRSP

Committee considered SB 211

appropriation for environmental impact statements on certain proposals
for road access to Juneau; efd

and recommended:

- replace with cs SB 211 (Trsp) same title
- attached amendment(s) and & reports it back as follows new title
- _____ letter of intent adopted

- do pass
- do not pass
- no recommendation
- individual recommendations
- further referral to _____

FN

FISCAL NOTE(S) attached zero
 appropriation no FN attached

fiscal impact
 Gov. FN introduced w/ bill

MEMBERS SIGNING TO PASS

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

1 [Signature]

2 at Fauchot no rec
2 at Hendry No Rec.

1 [Signature] (Do Pass) recommendation

Committee backup att:

1 [Signature]
Chairman signature and

attached

Offered: 4/26/89
Referred: Finance

6-0969H

Original sponsor: Duncan

Funding Information

General Fund	\$1,200,000
Other Funds	-0-
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1 IN THE SENATE BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 211 (Transportation)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act making special appropriations for environ-
7 mental impact statements on certain proposals for
8 road access; and providing for an effective date."

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

10 * Section 1. The sum of \$600,000 is appropriated from the general fund
11 to the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for the prepara-
12 tion of environmental impact statements on road access to Juneau via

13 (1) a route along the east shore of Lynn Canal to a point nine
14 miles north of Comet where the road would connect with a shuttle ferry
15 across Lynn Canal to the Chilkat Peninsula and then a route up the Chilkat
16 Peninsula to Haines; and

17 (2) a route through the Taku River Valley to the United States-
18 Canada border to connect with the existing British Columbia road system
19 south of Atlin.

20 * Sec. 2. The sum of \$300,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
21 the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for the preparation
22 of an environmental impact statement on the Bradfield River resource road
23 from the head of the Bradfield Canal to the United States and Canada border
24 in the Craig River valley.

25 * Sec. 3. The sum of \$300,000 is appropriated from the general fund to
26 the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for the preparation
27 of an environmental impact statement on road access to Kantishna between
28 Lignite and Kantishna along the route of the Lignite-Stampede trail.

29 * Sec. 4. The appropriations made by this Act are for capital projects
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1 and are subject to AS 37.25.020.

2 * Sec. 5. This Act takes effect July 1, 1989.
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Funding Information
General Fund \$600,000
Other Funds -0-
\$600,000

1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE BILL NO. 211

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4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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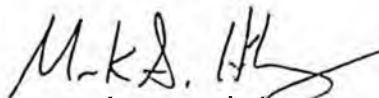
Senator Lloyd Jones
Alaska State Legislature
P.O. Box V
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Dear ~~SENATOR~~ ^{LLOYD} Jones:

In response to your April 7 letter, the department has estimated the cost to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed Bradfield Resource Road, from tidewater to the Canadian Border to be \$300,000. Approximately half of this amount would be used for conducting the public involvement process and for writing and publishing the document. The other half would cover the costs of specialty contract services. The document would be usable regardless of the source of funds used for road construction. We estimate the entire process would take between 18 and 24 months to complete.

If I can be of further assistance in this regard, please let me know.

Sincerely,



Mark S. Hickey
Commissioner

cc: W. Keith Gerken, Deputy Commissioner, Operations
Jonathan W. Scribner, Southeast Regional Director

STATE OF ALASKA
1989 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL VERSION: CSSB 211 (Trsp)
PUBLISH DATE: 4/26/89

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____
Title: Environmental Impact Statements
for Road Access
Sponsor: Duncan
Requestor: _____

Agency Affected: DOT&PF
BRU: _____
Components: _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING						

CAPITAL		550.0	650.0			
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND		550.0	650.0			
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL		550.0	650.0			

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS . (Attach a separate page if necessary)

SEE ATTACHED

Prepared by: R.T. Meketa, Chief of Planning
Division: Southeast Region, DOT&PF

Phone: 789-6264
Date: 4-26-89

Approved by Commissioner: *Mark A. Hill*
Agency: _____

Date: 4/26/89

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ANALYSIS - CSSE 211 (Trsp)

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 211 (CSSB 211) appropriates:

1. \$600,000 from the general fund to the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) for the preparation of environmental impact statements (EIS) for road access to Juneau via the Taku River Valley and Lynn Canal corridors;
2. \$300,000 from the general fund to DOT&PF for the preparation of an EIS for the proposed Bradfield River resource road, and;
3. \$300,000 from the general fund to DOT&PF for the preparation of an EIS on road access to Kantishna between Lignite and Kantishna.

The Southeast Alaska Transportation Plan, as amended in 1986, evaluated alternative transportation system improvements on a regional and multi-modal scale. The Plan recommended a long-term improvement consisting of the addition of two large-capacity, high-speed ferries to provide supplemental peak season service in the Lynn Canal corridor. The Plan further recommended that the Juneau-Haines-Skagway road link continue to be monitored to ascertain when developments would warrant a re-assessment of the feasibility of the road. The Plan did not recommend any further consideration of the Taku River corridor alternative due to the high cost and lack of transportation benefits.

DOT&PF has determined that the construction of road access to Juneau via the Lynn Canal corridor still lacks justification, at this time. However, DOT&PF supports SB 211 and the completion of an EIS since such an effort will provide valuable information to assist in the continued assessment of feasibility.

DOT&PF does not support a separate EIS for the Taku River route. Instead, the department recommends the Taku route be considered as one alternative during the development of the Lynn Canal corridor EIS. This will allow for analysis of this option sufficient to confirm or disprove the basic findings of the Alaska Transportation Plan.

DOT&PF completed a draft Bradfield Industrial Road Feasibility Study. The report concludes the construction of the road would be economically feasible assuming the start of certain resource development activities and the resultant commodity movements. The completion of an EIS would provide information necessary to continue the assessment of feasibility. DOT&PF supports the EIS.

The Kantishna Road project has been under consideration for several years. The completion of an EIS would allow DOT&PF to continue the assessment of alternatives and more accurately establish the feasibility and justification of the project. It is estimated that the EIS can be completed for \$300,000. An 18 to 24 month effort is expected.

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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

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FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL		250.0	350.0			

POSITIONS:

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ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

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Prepared by: R. T. Meketa, Chief of Planning Phone: 789-6264
Division: Southeast Region, DOT&PF Date: 3-24-89

Approved by Commissioner: *[Signature]* Date: 4/4/89
Agency: _____

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ANALYSIS - SB 211

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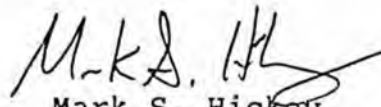
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