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 BILL: SB 364  
 NAME: CSSB 364(FIN)  
 TITLE: "An Act relating to inspection of slaughtered rein-  
 deer; and providing for an effective date."  
 PRIME SPONSOR: KERTTULA  
 CO-SPONSOR: STURGULEWSKI, SZYMANSKI, ADAMS, FAHRENKAMP, POURCHOT, COGHILL  
 BINKLEY, GRUENBERG  
 FUNDING : \$000 GENERAL(FNOTE) \$000 OTHER(FNOTE)  
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 \_SB 364\_  
 The Resources Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 364 (An  
 Act relating to inspection of slaughtered reindeer) and a  
 majority of the committee recommended it be replaced with

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 \_SB 364 cont'd\_  
 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 364 (Resources)  
 and do pass. The report was signed by Senator Fahrenkamp,  
 Chair, and concurred in by Senators Kerttula, Eliason,  
 Zharoff, Sturgulewski and Frank.

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 Zero fiscal note for SENATE BILL NO. 364 and the Committee  
 Substitute published today from Department of Environmental  
 Conservation.

SENATE BILL NO. 364 was referred to the Finance Committee.

Original sponsor(s): SEN. KERTTULA, Sturgulewski, Szymanski, Adams

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 364 (Resources)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to inspection of slaughtered rein-  
7 deer."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 03.05.020(a) is amended to read:

10 (a) The commissioner shall

11 (1) require routine inspection of food animals, fish,  
12 poultry, and derivative food products, to protect the public against  
13 fraud, disease, and spoilage, and in this connection adopt uniform  
14 regulations establishing standards of identity and composition of  
15 these food products and minimum standards of sanitation and handling  
16 methods as to all phases of slaughtering, processing, storing, trans-  
17 porting, displaying, and selling of these food products;

18 (2) issue orders or cause the orders to be issued by an  
19 authorized veterinarian prohibiting transportation and sale of food  
20 products intended for human consumption that [WHICH] do not meet the  
21 minimum requirements established under (1) of this subsection, and  
22 limiting their use and disposal in conformity with protection of the  
23 public;

24 (3) adopt a schedule of fees or charges, and credit pro-  
25 visions, for services rendered by state veterinarians to farmers and  
26 others at their request in caring for livestock and poultry, and all  
27 the fees shall be transmitted to the commissioner for deposit in the  
28 state treasury;

29 (4) designate points of entry for admission of livestock or

1 poultry into the state, and arrange inspection at those points with or  
2 without collaboration and assistance of the federal government, and  
3 bar entry of stock or poultry not shipped under a valid permit or not  
4 free from contagious or infectious disease;

5 (5) adopt, repeal, and amend regulations consistent with  
6 existing law for

7 (A) the labeling and grading of milk and milk products  
8 and standards of cleanliness and sanitation, to at least the  
9 minimum of current recommendations of the United States Public  
10 Health Service, for the operation of dairies selling, or offering  
11 for sale, milk or milk products;

12 (B) the production and sale of ice cream and allied  
13 frozen desserts;

14 (C) the production and sale of imitation milk and  
15 imitation milk products;

16 (6) establish a field-kill inspection program for reindeer  
17 that

18 (A) provides for voluntary participation on the part  
19 of reindeer herders and processors;

20 (B) satisfies the requirements of 21 U.S.C. 601-695  
21 (Wholesome Meat Act) allowing the inspected reindeer to be used  
22 in state and federally inspected meat products;

23 (C) is available at state expense.  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

**REQUEST:**

Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: "An act relating to inspection of slaughtered reindeer."  
Sponsor: KERTTULA  
Requestor: KERTTULA

Agency Affected: ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION  
BRU: ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH  
Components: ANIMAL HEALTH/DAIRY

**EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)**

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
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
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

<b>CAPITAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
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<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
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**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
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**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)**

SEE ATTACHMENT.

Prepared by: DOUGLAS C. DONEGAN Phone: 465-2609  
Division: ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH Date: FEBRUARY 26, 1990

Approved by Commissioner: DENNIS D. KELSO Date: 2/27/90  
Agency: ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

**Distribution (by preparer):**

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## ATTACHMENT

### ANALYSIS:

The funding necessary to implement this legislation is contained in an Increment Request in the Environmental Health BRU, Animal Health/Dairy Industry Component.

Without the resources identified in this increment, it will be impossible to implement a field-kill inspection program that satisfies federal requirements, and allow the use of reindeer in state and federally inspected meat products.

INCREMENT / DECREMENT DESCRIPTION (Limit to 98 characters)

Reindeer Inspection Increase

AGENCY CONTACT / PHONE NUMBER:

Douglas C. Donegan - 465-2609

DESCRIBE WHY THIS INCREMENT / DECREMENT IS NEEDED AND WHAT IT PURCHASES:

The raising of reindeer in Alaska shows potential as a promising industry in the rural portions of the state. Traditional reindeer herders are now looking at selling more of their product in lucrative markets. In Mekoryuk there is currently a surplus of thousands of animals which could be eligible for these markets.

Access to some markets is limited by federal inspection requirements. No federal funding is provided for reindeer inspection, but reindeer must be slaughtered and packed to federal specifications to be used with beef and pork in items such as reindeer sausage.

DEC has developed a field kill inspection program acceptable to meet federal requirements. This program allows the slaughter of animals in the field and transportation to approved processing facilities for cutting and packing.

DEC's ability to provide this service is extremely limited since we have only one State Veterinarian.

The increment would enable the state to provide reindeer inspection services in several areas of the state, including: Nome, Mekoryuk and Palmer.

Funding of this increment would remove a frustrating roadblock to an industry which has proven enormously successful in the Soviet Union. The conditions in Alaska are ideal and the industry could provide an additional source of income to rural residents in a manner non-disruptive to traditional lifestyles.

CODE	EXPENDITURE BY OBJECT	AGENCY REQ.	GOVS REQ.
100	Personal Services	63.3	63.3
200	Travel	15.0	15.0
300	Contractual Services	20.0	20.0
400	Supplies	8.0	8.0
500	Equipment	3.0	3.0
600	Land, Buildings, Etc.		
700	Grants, Claims, Etc.		
800	Miscellaneous		
TOTAL		109.3	109.3
I-A Transfer (NON-ADD)			
1002	Federal Receipts		
1003	General Fund Match		
1004	General Fund	109.3	109.3
1005	Program Receipts/GF		
1007	I-A Receipts		
POSITION INFORMATION		FT	1.0
		PPT	
		Non Permanent	
		Staff Months	12.0

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<input type="checkbox"/> Continuation of FY 90 Service Level	

IMPACT FROM CAPITAL PROJECT (NAME)

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AGENCY Department of Environmental Conservation

BRU Environmental Health

COMPONENT Animal Health/Dairy

PROJECT 150

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Revised Date: 11/1/89

POSITION PAPER  
CSSB 364

Title

An Act relating to inspection of slaughtered reindeer.

Effect of the Bill

This bill requires the Department to establish a field-kill inspection program for reindeer. The inspection program will be voluntary and meet the requirements of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) so that inspected reindeer qualifies for use in USDA meat products.

Department Position

The Department supports the passage of CSSB 364. The USDA requires that reindeer meet certain federal inspection requirements for use in other meat products such as reindeer sausage. The inspection of reindeer is a state responsibility. Because of the lack of an acceptable field-kill inspection program, Alaskan herders have been frustrated in their attempts to supply these existing markets and expand the sales of their product. Lack of inspection is a bottleneck to the development of an industry which may have great potential for rural Alaskans. We have attached a memorandum from the state veterinarian on the bill.

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Fiscal Effect

The Governor's FY 90 operating budget request contains an increment that would fully fund the program in this legislation. A copy of the increment has been attached to the fiscal note submitted by the Department on this bill.

# MEMORANDUM

## State of Alaska

TO: Dennis Kelso  
Commissioner  
Dept. Env. Conservation  
Juneau

DATE: February 27, 1990

FILE NO:

TELEPHONE NO: 745-3236

THRU Doug Donegan *DD*  
Director  
Environmental Health  
ADEC, DEH, Juneau

SUBJECT: Senate Bill 364 --  
Field Kill Reindeer

FROM Bert A. Gore, D.V.M. *BS*  
State Veterinarian  
ADEC, DEH, Palmer

I have reviewed Senate Bill 364 establishing a field kill inspection program for reindeer. I believe that with proper funding it will provide a mechanism for reindeer slaughtered in the field to move into state or federal meat plants and bear a mark of inspection. Without adoption of this bill the reindeer industry will stagnate until slaughterhouses and roads are built across the Seward Peninsula.

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State of Alaska  
**Legislative Budget and Audit Committee**

Sen. Jay Kerttula  
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 21, 1990  
  
TO: Senator Jay Kerttula  
Chairman, Leg. Budget & Audit Committee  
  
FROM: Matthew Fishel, Administrative Assistant  
Leg. Budget & Audit Committee  
  
SUBJECT: SB 364: Reindeer Slaughter

*M. Fishel*

LARRY LABOLLE, REP. FOSTER'S OFFICE, CALLED CONCERNING THE REINDEER SLAUGHTER BILL. LARRY SAID THAT HE HAD TALKED WITH TOM GRAY, PRESIDENT, REINDEER HERDERS ASSOCIATION, AND TOM TOLD LARRY THAT HE AND THE REINDEER HERDERS ASSOCIATION ARE IN FAVOR OF THE BILL AS AMENDED, (MAKING THE PROGRAM VOLUNTARY AND AT STATE EXPENSE).

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Honorable Jalmar M. Kerttula  
Alaska State Senate  
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February 16, 1990

Dear Jay:

Thank you very much for the copy of Senate Bill 364, Reindeer Slaughter.

The draft version of SB 364 is spelling out exactly what we had hoped for. I also had consulted with Mr. Tom Gray and Dr. Bert Gore.

I hope that your continuous efforts to promote the Reindeer Industry in the state will be appreciated.

Sincerely,

*Herb.*

Herbert Eckmann  
President

*Tom Williams is expanding rapidly in  
the valley, thanks for the info.  
Herb*