

## HOUSE BILL NO. 53

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVES MACKIE, Larson, Grussendorf, Carney, Barnes

Introduced: 1/22/91

Referred: Health, Education and Social Services, Finance

## A BILL

## FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to state aid for education; and providing for an effective date."

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

3 \* Section 1. AS 14.17.025(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) Local contributions to a city or borough school district shall include at least the lesser  
5 of

6 (1) the equivalent of a four mill tax levy on the full and true value of the taxable  
7 real and personal property in the district as of January 1, 1990, or as of January 1 of the second  
8 preceding fiscal year, whichever tax is lower, as determined by the Department of Community  
9 and Regional Affairs under AS 14.17.140 and AS 29.45.110; or

10 (2) 35 percent of the district's basic need for the preceding fiscal year, as  
11 determined under AS 14.17.021(l).

12 \* Sec. 2. AS 14.17.041(a) is amended to read:

13 (a) For funding communities that have an average daily membership of less than 200 in  
14 grades K-6 or less than 200 in grades 7-12, combined elementary and secondary instructional

1 units are determined under the following table:

2 ADM	No. Instructional Units
3 1 - 10	2
4 11 - 20	$2 + ((ADM-10)/5)$
5 21 - 60	$4 + ((ADM-20)/8)$
6 61 - <u>240</u> [120]	$9 + ((ADM-60)/12)$
7 <u>241</u> [121] - 525	<u><math>24 + ((ADM-240)/14)</math></u> [ $14 + ((ADM-120)/15)$ ]

8 \* Sec. 3. AS 14.17.041(b) is amended to read:

9 (b) For funding communities that are not included under (a) of this section,

10 (1) instructional units for elementary students are determined by the formula: units  
11 = 16 [15] +  $((ADM-200)/17)$ , where ADM is the number of students in average daily  
12 membership in grades kindergarten through 6;

13 (2) instructional units for secondary students are determined by the formula: units  
14 = 19 [18] +  $((ADM-200)/13)$ , where ADM is the number of students in average daily  
15 membership in grades 7 through 12.

16 \* Sec. 4. AS 14.17.041 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

17 (e) A district with an ADM of 3,000 or less that consists of one funding community shall  
18 increase the elementary and secondary instructional units received under (a) or (b) of this section  
19 by multiplying the instructional units by a percentage determined under the following table:

20 District ADM	Percentage
21 1 - 250	1.12
22 251 - 525	1.08
23 526 - 1000	1.06
24 1001 - 2000	1.04
25 2001 - 3000	1.03

26 (f) A district with an ADM of 1,000 or less that consists of two funding communities  
27 shall increase the elementary and secondary instructional units received under (a) or (b) of this  
28 section by multiplying the instructional units by a percentage determined under the following  
29 table:

30 District ADM	Percentage
31 1 - 250	1.08

1  
2  
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6

251 - 525

1.04

526 - 1000

1.02

\* Sec. 5. AS 14.17.056 is amended to read:

Sec. 14.17.056. INSTRUCTIONAL UNIT VALUE. The instructional unit value is

\$63,000 [\$60,000].

\* Sec. 6. This Act takes effect July 1, 1991.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA  
1991 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HB53

Revision Date: 3/6/91 Department Affected: Education  
 Title: State Aid for Education BRU: K-12 Support  
 Component: Foundation  
 Sponsor: Mackie  
 Requestor: House Finance COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 

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Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS	82,810.9	82,810.9	82,810.9	82,810.9	82,810.9	82,810.9
MISCELLANEOUS						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>82,810.9</b>	<b>82,810.9</b>	<b>82,810.9</b>	<b>82,810.9</b>	<b>82,810.9</b>	<b>82,810.9</b>

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	82,810.9	82,810.9	82,810.9	82,810.9	82,810.9	82,810.9
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>82,810.9</b>	<b>82,810.9</b>	<b>82,810.9</b>	<b>82,810.9</b>	<b>82,810.9</b>	<b>82,810.9</b>

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.) This fiscal analysis compares the projected cost of HB53 with the FY91 authorized level of funding (505,425.1). Section 1. will result in an increased cost to the State proportionate to any increase in municipal property values. This is not reflected in the fiscal note since it is impossible to predict future property values.

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 Agency: Education Date: 3/6/91

Distribution (by preparer): Legislative Finance, Legislative Sponsor, Requestor, OMB, & Impacted Agency(ies).

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 Fiscal Note Analysis  
 March 5, 1991  
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	<u>FY92</u>	<u>FY93</u>	<u>FY94</u>	<u>FY95</u>	<u>FY96</u>	<u>FY97</u>
FY92 Full Funding under current law:	541,746.2					
HB 53 additional cost	46,489.8					
HB 53 Foundation Full (est)	<u>588,236.0</u>	588,236.0	588,236.0	588,236.0	588,236.0	588,236.0
vs.						
FY91 Authorized	<u>505,425.1</u>	<u>505,425.1</u>	<u>505,425.1</u>	<u>505,425.1</u>	<u>505,425.1</u>	<u>505,425.1</u>
Difference	82,810.9	82,810.9	82,810.9	82,810.9	82,810.9	82,810.9

Note:

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\* No accommodation is made in this fiscal analysis for anticipated enrollment increases.

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AASA PROPOSED PROGRAM REVISIONS Section 4 Section 7			
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		ADDITIONAL COST	INCREASE
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KUSPUK	\$0	\$0	\$346,560
LAKE AND PENN.	\$0	\$0	\$315,330
LOWER KUSKOKWIM	\$0	\$0	\$1,764,330
LOWER YUKON	\$0	\$0	\$1,105,170
MATSU	\$0	\$0	\$3,128,070
NENANA	\$155,400	\$7,770	\$317,220
NOME	\$276,600	\$13,830	\$734,010
NORTH SLOPE	\$0	\$0	\$1,006,650
NORTHWEST ARCTIC	\$0	\$0	\$1,172,220
PELICAN	\$58,200	\$2,910	\$91,890
PETERSBURG	\$189,000	\$9,450	\$511,410
PRIBILOF	\$122,400	\$6,120	\$223,020
RAILBELT	\$0	\$0	\$256,650
SITKA	\$291,600	\$14,580	\$866,540
SKAGWAY	\$111,000	\$5,550	\$180,270
SOUTHEAST	\$0	\$0	\$364,650
SOUTHWEST	\$0	\$0	\$367,830
ST MARY'S	\$127,800	\$6,390	\$202,680
TANANA	\$122,400	\$6,120	\$192,450
UNALASKA	\$157,800	\$7,890	\$441,580
VALDEZ	\$228,000	\$11,400	\$587,610
WRANGELL	\$193,200	\$9,660	\$481,080
YAKUTAT	\$126,000	\$6,300	\$232,380
YUKON FLATS	\$0	\$0	\$307,920
YUKON/KOYUKUK	\$0	\$0	\$396,300
YUPIIT	\$0	\$0	\$285,750
TOTALS	\$4,751,400	\$237,570	\$46,489,830

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BRISTOL BAY	\$122,310	\$153,000	\$7,550
CHATHAM	\$174,660	\$70,300	\$3,540
CHUGACH	\$80,040	\$0	\$0
COPPER RIVER	\$265,950	\$157,200	\$7,360
CORDOVA	\$140,430	\$196,200	\$9,310
CRAIG	\$117,510	\$174,600	\$8,730
DELTA/GREELY	\$261,000	\$139,200	\$6,960
DILLINGHAM	\$184,390	\$241,800	\$12,090
FAIRBANKS	\$3,644,520	\$374,400	\$18,720
GALENA	\$74,760	\$39,000	\$1,950
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KENAI	\$2,666,340	\$1,172,400	\$58,620
KETCHIKAN	\$687,990	\$120,000	\$6,000
KLAWOCK	\$72,180	\$82,900	\$4,140
KODIAK	\$743,400	\$130,300	\$6,540
KUSPUK	\$259,620	\$82,900	\$4,140
LAKE AND PENN.	\$315,330	\$0	\$0
LOWER KUSKOKWIM	\$1,666,680	\$93,000	\$4,650
LOWER YUKON	\$692,520	\$393,000	\$19,650
MATSI	\$2,501,220	\$597,000	\$29,850
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NORTH SLOPE	\$657,630	\$332,400	\$16,620
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PETERSBURG	\$186,960	\$120,000	\$6,000
PRISILOF	\$93,870	\$600	\$30
RAILBELT	\$152,700	\$99,000	\$4,950
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SKAGWAY	\$53,010	\$10,200	\$510
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SOUTHWEST	\$318,060	\$47,400	\$2,370
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#### STATEMENT ON HB 53

#### Relating to Education Funding

I introduced HB 53 as a comprehensive approach to education formula funding adjustments needed to bring the state's system into proper balance. It is the result of the collective efforts and opinions of school boards and administrators throughout the state.

In my own district the single and dual site problem is the most pressing. This issue has been before the legislature for several years with general acknowledgement of the inequity, yet remaining unresolved. I know the present situation has seriously reduced the educational opportunities of the major portion of kids in my district. If not corrected, I fear the results will be a second class education system. And the damage from that cannot be undone nor excused.

Many school districts across the state are similarly threatened by other deficiencies in the formula. This concerns me also. It is my hope that by addressing all schools' funding situations, we may achieve success.

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### SECTIONAL OF HB 53

#### Relating to Education Funding

**Section 1.** AS 14.17.025(a) is amended to freeze state contributions to city and borough school districts in the event there is an increase in full property values. For those districts who have reached the cap, it would prevent a reduction in state and local levels of funding to those districts (principally large urban districts).

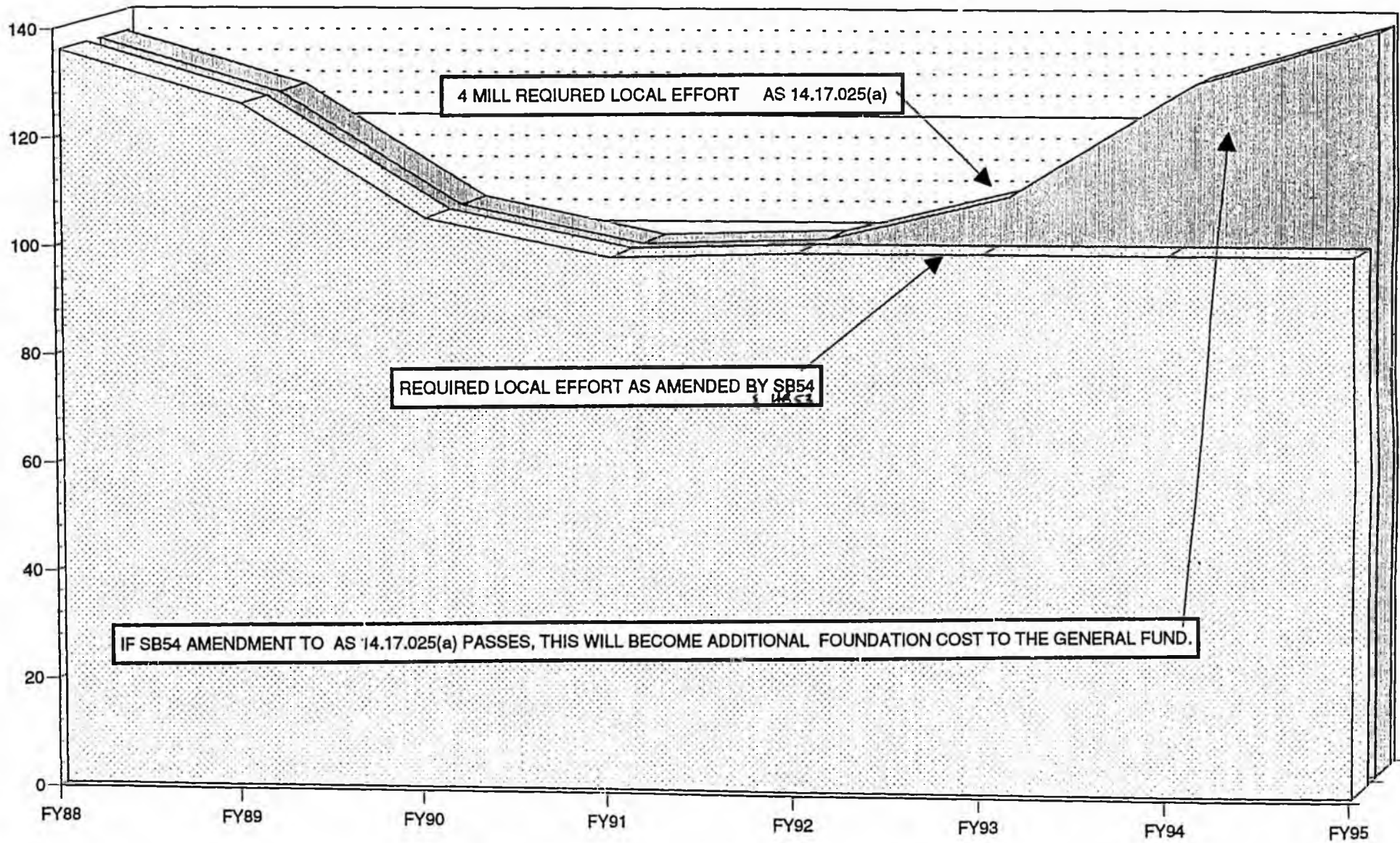
**Section 2 and Section 3.** AS 14.17.041 (a) and (b) increases the instructional unit calculation at the high end of the ADM scales. The changes favor large multi-site districts with low state support per ADM yet have several remote, expensive to operate small schools.

**Section 4.** AS 14.17.041 is amended to add new sections (e) and (f) relating to single and dual site school districts. The amendment increases the instructional unit calculation in subsections (a) or (b) by a sliding scale percentage based on ADM.

**Section 5.** The value of the instruction unit, AS 14.17.056, is increased 5% to \$63,000.

HB 53  
**FOUNDATION PROGRAM AS 14.17.025(a) VS SB54 AMENDMENT**

MILLIONS



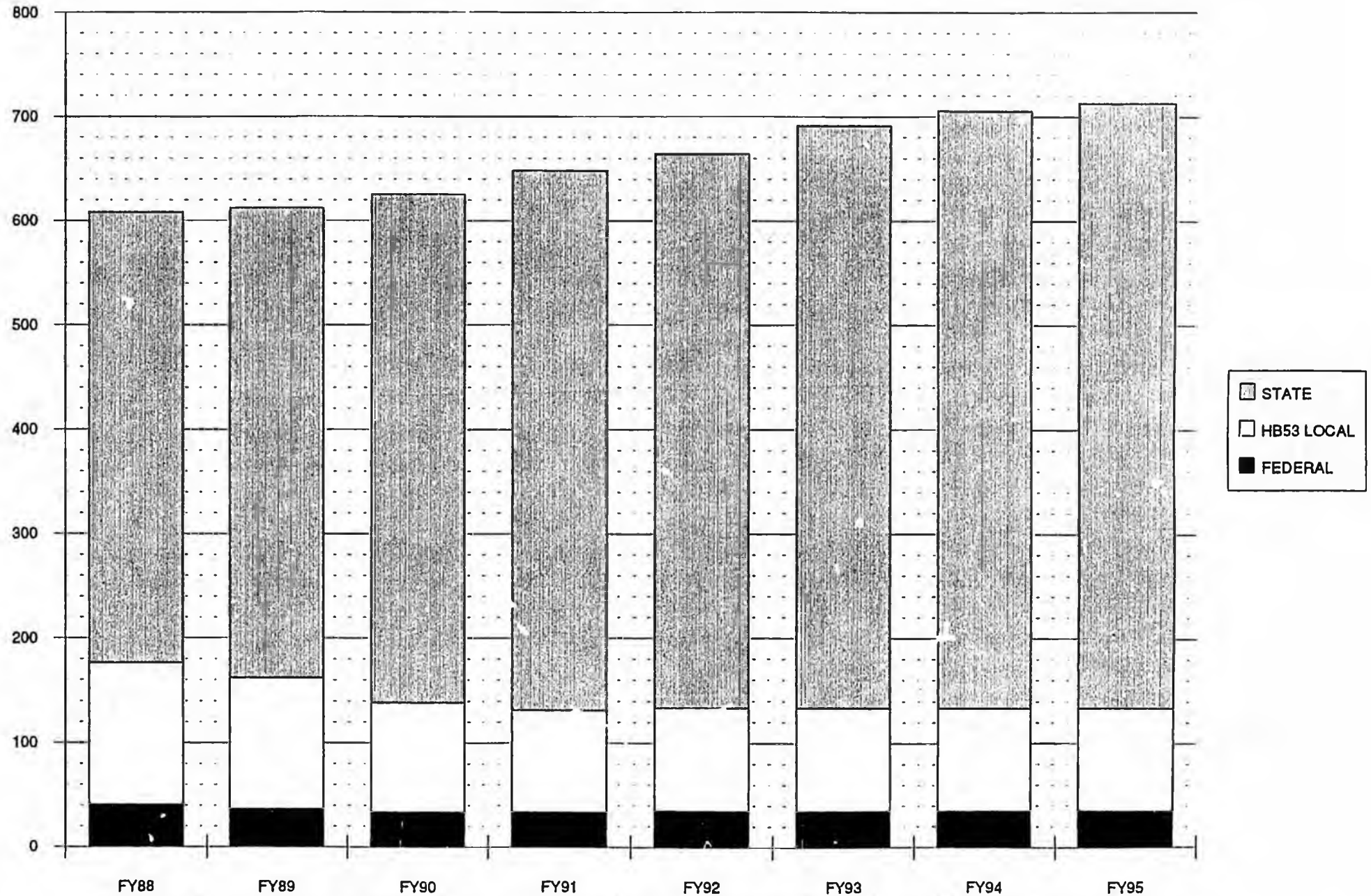
IF SB54 AMENDMENT TO AS 14.17.025(a) PASSES, THIS WILL BECOME ADDITIONAL FOUNDATION COST TO THE GENERAL FUND.

ASSUMPTION: PROPERTY VALUE INCREASE OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS WILL MIRROR THE DECREASES BETWEEN FY88 AND FY91.

# FOUNDATION FUNDING BY SOURCE

HB53 AMENDMENT TO AS 14.17.025(a)

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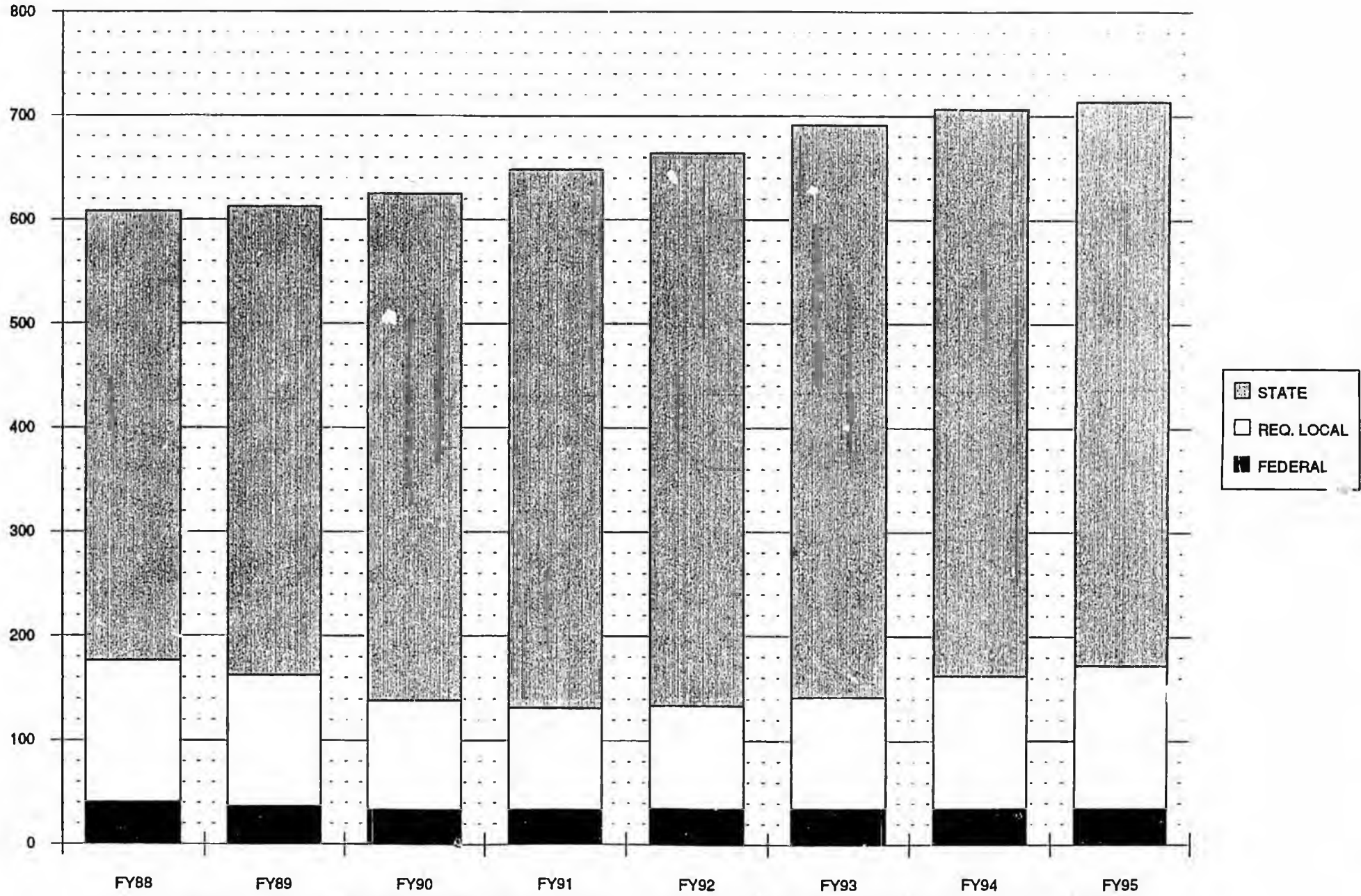


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# FOUNDATION FUNDING BY SOURCE

CURRENT FUNDING FORMULA

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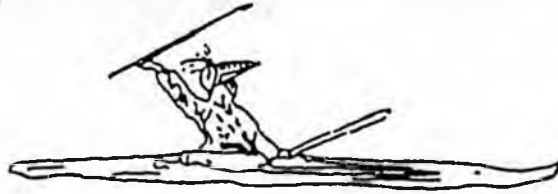
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PETERSBURG	\$189,000	\$9,450	\$511,410
PRILOF	\$122,400	\$6,120	\$223,020
RAILBELT	\$0	\$0	\$256,650
SITKA	\$291,600	\$14,580	\$846,540
SKAGWAY	\$111,000	\$5,550	\$180,270
SOUTHEAST	\$0	\$0	\$364,650
SOUTHWEST	\$0	\$0	\$367,830
ST MARY'S	\$127,800	\$6,390	\$202,680
TANANA	\$122,400	\$6,120	\$192,450
UNALASKA	\$157,800	\$7,890	\$461,580
VALDEZ	\$228,000	\$11,400	\$587,610
WRANGELL	\$193,200	\$9,660	\$481,080
YAKUTAT	\$126,000	\$6,300	\$232,380
YUKON FLATS	\$0	\$0	\$307,920
YUKON/KOYUKUK	\$0	\$0	\$396,300
YUPIIT	\$0	\$0	\$285,750
TOTALS	\$4,751,400	\$237,570	\$46,489,830

**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
PROJECTED FY92 FOUNDATION PROGRAM  
AASA PROPOSED PROGRAM REVISIONS**

PREPARED 2/13/91

BASED ON A \$60,000 UNIT VALUE	SB54	SB54
	NEW TABLES AASA SEC. 3 PROPOSAL	NEW TABLES AASA SEC. 2 PROPOSAL
ADAK	\$152,400	\$0
ALASKA GATEWAY	\$0	\$157,800
ALEUTIAN REGION	\$0	\$0
ALEUTIANS EAST	\$0	\$58,800
ANCHORAGE	\$240,000	\$14,400
ANNETTE ISLANDS	\$0	\$173,400
BERING STRAIT	\$0	\$225,000
BRISTOL BAY	\$0	\$153,000
CHATHAM	\$0	\$70,800
CHUGACH	\$0	\$0
COPPER RIVER	\$0	\$157,200
CORDOVA	\$0	\$196,200
CRAIG	\$0	\$174,600
DELTA/GREELY	\$139,200	\$0
DILLINGHAM	\$0	\$241,800
FAIRBANKS	\$374,400	\$0
GALENA	\$0	\$39,000
HAINES	\$0	\$177,000
HOONAH	\$0	\$119,400
HYDABURG	\$0	\$0
IDITAROD	\$0	\$63,000
JUNEAU	\$120,000	\$0
KAKE	\$0	\$53,400
KASHUNAMUT	\$0	\$96,000
KENAI	\$600,000	\$572,400
KETCHIKAN	\$120,000	\$0
KLAWOCK	\$0	\$82,800
KODIAK	\$130,800	\$0
KUSPUK	\$0	\$82,800
LAKE AND PENN.	\$0	\$0
LOWER KUSKOKWIM	\$0	\$93,000
LOWER YUKON	\$0	\$393,000
MATSU	\$480,000	\$117,000
NENANA	\$0	\$72,000
NOME	\$160,800	\$0
NORTH SLOPE	\$174,000	\$158,400
NORTHWEST ARCTIC	\$174,000	\$132,000
PELICAN	\$0	\$0
PETERSBURG	\$120,000	\$0
PRIBILOF	\$0	\$600
RAILBELT	\$0	\$99,000
SITKA	\$120,000	\$0
SKAGWAY	\$0	\$10,200
SOUTHEAST	\$0	\$66,600
SOUTHWEST	\$0	\$47,400
ST MARY'S	\$0	\$0
TANANA	\$0	\$0
UNALASKA	\$0	\$172,800
VALDEZ	\$133,200	\$0
WRANGELL	\$120,000	\$0
YAKUTAT	\$0	\$34,800
YUKON FLATS	\$0	\$39,600
YUKON/KOYUKUK	\$0	\$59,400
YUPIIT	\$0	\$30,600
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$3,358,800</b>	<b>\$4,435,200</b>

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION					
2	FOUNDATION FUNDING PROGRAM					
3	PREPARED 2/28/91					
4			PROJECTED FY92	PROJECTED FY92		
5		FY91 FOUNDATION	FOUNDATION	PRORATION TO	COLUMN C	COLUMN D
6		STATE AID	STATE AID	GOV. BUDGET	LESS	LESS
7		100% ENTITLEMENT	100% ENTITLEMENT	OF \$514,648.9	COLUMN B	COLUMN B
8	ADAK	\$2,083,942	\$2,173,342	\$1,993,966	\$89,400	(\$89,976)
9	ALASKA GATEWAY	\$4,329,618	\$4,346,718	\$4,150,894	\$17,100	(\$178,724)
10	ALEUTIAN REGION	\$680,468	\$680,468	\$649,580	\$0	(\$30,888)
11	ALEUTIANS EAST	\$3,078,324	\$2,916,674	\$2,761,582	(\$161,650)	(\$316,742)
12	ANCHORAGE	\$156,404,478	\$162,149,942	\$154,035,162	\$5,745,464	(\$2,369,316)
13	ANNETTE ISLANDS	\$1,170,462	\$1,305,462	\$1,202,955	\$135,000	\$32,493
14	BERING STRAIT	\$12,271,870	\$12,719,470	\$12,042,819	\$447,600	(\$229,051)
15	BRISTOL BAY	\$1,663,843	\$1,663,201	\$1,564,588	(\$642)	(\$99,255)
16	CHATHAM	\$2,554,523	\$2,556,923	\$2,416,102	\$2,400	(\$138,421)
17	CHUGACH	\$1,461,376	\$1,421,776	\$1,357,243	(\$39,600)	(\$104,133)
18	COPPER RIVER	\$5,221,136	\$5,087,336	\$4,872,912	(\$133,800)	(\$348,224)
19	CORDOVA	\$2,301,935	\$2,265,566	\$2,152,343	(\$36,419)	(\$149,642)
20	CRAIG	\$1,689,191	\$2,138,924	\$2,044,181	\$449,733	\$354,990
21	DELTA/GREELY	\$4,269,949	\$4,244,749	\$4,034,316	(\$25,200)	(\$235,633)
22	DILLINGHAM	\$2,936,054	\$2,915,918	\$2,766,849	(\$20,136)	(\$169,205)
23	FAIRBANKS	\$57,115,905	\$60,237,647	\$57,299,228	\$3,121,742	\$183,323
24	GALENA	\$1,085,274	\$1,202,673	\$1,142,397	\$117,399	\$57,123
25	HAINES	\$2,374,218	\$2,258,312	\$2,148,693	(\$115,906)	(\$225,525)
26	HOONAH	\$1,446,196	\$1,405,719	\$1,341,162	(\$40,477)	(\$105,034)
27	HYDABURG	\$956,647	\$981,799	\$940,656	\$25,152	(\$15,991)
28	IDITAROD	\$4,163,521	\$4,386,121	\$4,178,107	\$222,600	\$14,586
29	JUNEAU	\$20,344,548	\$20,626,989	\$19,574,123	\$282,441	(\$770,425)
30	KAKE	\$1,083,087	\$1,036,056	\$984,246	(\$47,031)	(\$98,841)
31	KASHUNAMIUT	\$1,308,396	\$1,390,596	\$1,316,122	\$82,200	\$7,726
32	KENAI	\$37,253,584	\$39,335,955	\$37,186,201	\$2,082,371	(\$67,383)
33	KETCHIKAN	\$9,952,787	\$10,378,089	\$9,823,392	\$425,302	(\$129,395)
34	KLAWOCK	\$1,333,158	\$1,290,491	\$1,232,295	(\$42,667)	(\$100,863)
35	KODIAK	\$12,155,260	\$11,967,600	\$11,368,229	(\$187,660)	(\$787,031)
36	KUSPUK	\$4,716,683	\$4,684,283	\$4,474,963	(\$32,400)	(\$241,720)
37	LAKE AND PENINSULA	\$5,386,950	\$5,474,080	\$5,219,843	\$87,130	(\$167,107)
38	LOWER KUSKOKWIM	\$27,178,760	\$27,763,760	\$26,419,988	\$585,000	(\$758,772)
39	LOWER YUKON	\$10,288,288	\$9,908,488	\$9,350,139	(\$379,800)	(\$938,149)
40	MAT-SU	\$39,817,389	\$42,994,356	\$40,977,731	\$3,176,967	\$1,160,342
41	NENANA	\$1,577,456	\$1,503,966	\$1,440,715	(\$73,490)	(\$136,741)
42	NOME	\$4,912,948	\$4,913,430	\$4,691,919	\$482	(\$221,029)
43	NORTH SLOPE	\$7,888,743	\$8,057,882	\$7,527,663	\$169,139	(\$361,080)
44	NORTHWEST ARCTIC	\$13,286,800	\$11,464,556	\$10,700,846	(\$1,822,244)	(\$2,485,954)
45	PELICAN	\$581,637	\$561,341	\$553,524	(\$20,296)	(\$45,113)
46	PETERSBURG	\$2,981,875	\$3,051,475	\$2,900,737	\$69,600	(\$81,138)
47	PRIBILOF	\$1,344,889	\$1,415,689	\$1,340,006	\$70,800	(\$4,883)
48	RAILBELT	\$2,966,307	\$3,013,707	\$2,890,592	\$47,400	(\$75,715)
49	SITKA	\$6,441,269	\$6,305,158	\$5,971,077	(\$136,111)	(\$470,192)
50	SKAGWAY	\$904,356	\$822,752	\$780,012	(\$81,604)	(\$124,344)
51	SOUTHEAST	\$4,842,342	\$5,096,142	\$4,858,522	\$253,800	\$16,180
52	SOUTHWEST	\$4,667,542	\$5,029,342	\$4,772,904	\$361,800	\$105,362
53	ST. MARY'S	\$1,307,241	\$1,304,147	\$1,248,926	(\$3,094)	(\$58,315)
54	TANANA	\$1,165,181	\$1,168,693	\$1,117,149	\$3,512	(\$48,032)
55	UNALASKA	\$1,616,402	\$1,668,678	\$1,576,402	\$52,276	(\$40,000)
56	VALDEZ	\$2,674,681	\$2,699,117	\$2,531,133	\$24,436	(\$143,548)
57	WRANGELL	\$2,478,311	\$2,603,887	\$2,481,159	\$125,576	\$2,848
58	YAKUTAT	\$1,131,374	\$1,157,318	\$1,106,088	\$25,944	(\$25,286)
59	YUKON FLATS	\$4,973,684	\$4,788,884	\$4,574,146	(\$184,800)	(\$399,538)
60	YUKON/KOYUKUK	\$5,449,696	\$5,421,496	\$5,152,263	(\$28,200)	(\$297,433)
61	YUPIIT	\$3,491,802	\$3,503,802	\$3,323,991	\$12,000	(\$167,811)
62	OTHER	\$9,704,648	\$10,285,221	\$10,013,119	\$580,573	\$308,471
63	TOTALS	\$526,467,054	\$541,746,166	\$514,658,900	\$15,279,112	(\$11,808,154)



# ALEUTIAN REGION SCHOOL DISTRICT

REAA #8 (ATKA and NIKOLSKI)

P.O. Box 47050 Anchorage, Alaska 99547-0050  
907-839-2255

Dr. Phill Hardy, Superintendent  
FAX 907-839-221

## RESOLUTION 91-05

WHEREAS, the Aleutian Region School District is the most remote and isolated school district in Alaska and as a result experiences additional financial responsibilities with the increased transportation costs associated with personnel and student travel, and in the costs of maintenance and operations of the remote rural schools therein; and

WHEREAS, the Aleutian Region School District has continued to experience cost increases without increases from State revenue for the past 5 years.

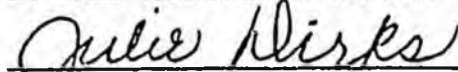
WHEREAS, the Aleutian Region School District has taken the initiative to follow the intent of the legislature and establish cooperative agreements with other districts to reduce costs; and

WHEREAS, the Aleutian Region School District has taken the initiative to reduce administrative costs by having the Superintendent also assume the role of Principal as well as teach some classes.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED; that the Board of Directors of the Aleutian Region School District supports the Alaska Association of School Administrators sponsored Senate Bill relating to the increase in state aid for education which will be introduced in the Seventeenth Legislature First Session.

APPROVED, THIS 27TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1991,

BY THE ALEUTIAN REGION SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Julie Dirks, President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Helen Pletnikoff, Clerk

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
LEGISLATIVE REQUESTS  
DISTRICT LEGISLATIVE POSITIONS

The Anchorage School District requests that members of the Alaska State Legislature consider the following priorities as approved by the Anchorage School Board:

- Provision for a 5 percent increase in the instructional allotment for school districts statewide under the Public School Foundation Program.
- Adequate funding to provide full reimbursement to school districts, cities and boroughs for school bonded indebtedness that has been incurred.
- Provide early full funding for education, including foundation, pupil transportation, tuition, and community school appropriations.
- The appropriation of sufficient funds for the School District's highest priority capital improvement and major maintenance projects.
- Supplemental funding for the Alaska Public School Foundation Program in the current year.
- Hold harmless on required local effort.
- Legislation that will provide for a review of the funding for single/dual school sites and small school sites throughout the state of Alaska .

# Hoonah Public Schools

P.O. Box 157

(907) 945-3611

Hoonah, Alaska 99829

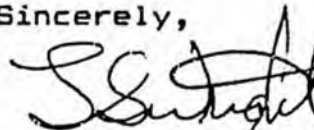
January 30, 1991

Steve McPhetres  
A.C.S.A.  
326-4th Street Suite 408  
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Mr. McPhetres:

At the last regular Hoonah City Schools Board Meeting, January 22, the Board of Education unanimously passed a motion in support of SB 54, regarding Foundation Program Revision.

Sincerely,



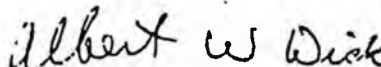
L. Sydney Wright,  
Superintendent

LSW/jcb

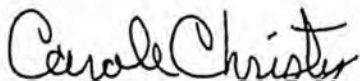
- WHEREAS A single site district such as exists in the City of Hoonah is treated unequally in the State school funding foundation formula; and
- WHEREAS Hoonah Public Schools has seen a considerable decrease of enrollment that has severely aggravated the funding shortage; and
- WHEREAS There exists no alternate sources of funding available to the district to alleviate the shortage; and
- WHEREAS The school district has already instituted severe cuts in educational programs; and
- WHEREAS Further cuts would severely decrease the quality of education offered to children of the district;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Hoonah, Alaska request that the Governor create in Hoonah, state representation, supporting a more equitable funding formula for the single site district, and further, that the Governor restore the two percent (2%) funding cut.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the City of Hoonah THIS 11TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1990.

  
Albert W. Dick, Mayor

Attest:

  
Carole Christy, City Clerk  
City of Hoonah  
P.O. Box 360  
Hoonah, Alaska 99829

# Kake City School District

P.O. BOX 450  
KAKE, ALASKA 99830  
(907) 785-3741

PRIORITY #2

Kake City School District recognizes the discrepancies inherent in the present foundation funding formula and feels strongly that legislation should be initiated that addresses this issue. Legislation addressing these inequities would serve to alleviate the need for supplemental bills that are created or on "Ad hoc" basis. Piecemeal legislation does not solve these problems. A long term, equitable solution must be created.

REMEDY -Kake City School District supports AASA's finance proposal as it is written in bill form. This bill would provide a viable, equitable, long term solution to funding discrepancies suffused by single/dual site school districts. Kake City School District supports this proposal in its entirety.

This proposal must remain intact. Attempts to "gut" this proposal legislation will "water down" the effect until a solution will not be achieved.

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KASHUNAMIUT SCHOOL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the public school foundation formula has not been changed for several years; and

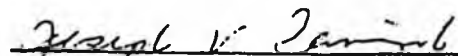
WHEREAS, significant inequities have been identified with the current formula; and

WHEREAS, inflationary cost increases, cost transfers from the state to school districts, and increased federal and state statutory and regulatory burdens on school districts have made it difficult if not impossible for Alaska districts to maintain the level of service to Alaska's young people; and

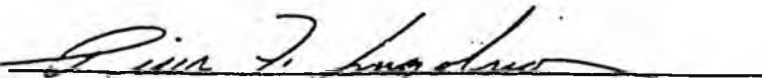
WHEREAS, SB54 and HB53 address the issues of formula equity and a more nearly adequate level of funding for Alaska districts.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of the Kashunamiut School District urge the Legislature and the Governor to support and enact SB54/HB53.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED by the affirmative vote of the Board of the Kashunamiut School District at the regular meeting of January 31, 1991, at which a quorum was present and voting.

  
Board President

01/31/91  
Date

  
Board Secretary

01/31/91  
Date

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 90-91-4

SUPPORT OF AN INCREASE IN FOUNDATION FORMULA

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of Alaska (Article VII, Section 1) requires the state to maintain the public school system; and

WHEREAS, there has been no increase in the foundation formula since 1986, when the appropriation was cut by 10% and no supplemental appropriation was passed to restore that amount to school districts; and

WHEREAS, the current appropriation is inadequate to maintain the educational programs in the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District for the remainder of this fiscal year without a supplemental appropriation; and

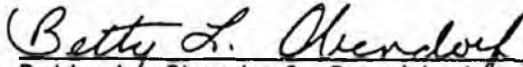
WHEREAS, the district finds it increasingly difficult to maintain a quality educational program with the current foundation formula amount due to escalating costs, increased unfunded mandated programs, fixed costs and the tax cap; and

WHEREAS, this district has an obligation to provide for the needs of children to take their places as educated skilled adults prepared to function in the 21st century with its rapidly changing technology; and

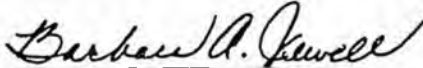
WHEREAS, all districts in the state have students at risk whose needs must be met with improved programs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District strongly urges the 17th legislature to increase the amount appropriated per unit in the foundation formula.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT ON THIS 21st DAY OF January, 1991.

  
Betty L. Obendorf, President  
Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of  
Education

ATTEST:

  
Barbara A. Jewell  
Notary Public



# LOWER YUKON SCHOOL DISTRICT

P.O. Box 32089 • Mt. Village, Alaska 99632 • (907) 591-2411

KEITH EVANS  
Superintendent

## RESOLUTION 91-1

### Alaska Association of School Administrator's Finance Bill

WHEREAS, The Lower Yukon Regional School Board is the duly elected Board of the Lower Yukon School District Region, and,

WHEREAS, a stable assured source of funding for public education provides for an orderly educational planning and budgeting process, helping to ensure that the monies be available for public education, and

WHEREAS, the dependence of state oil revenues is not annually reliable for support of public education, and,

WHEREAS, resources for additional funding for public education is needed, and that the revenue received from taxable real and personal property will provide sufficient additional funding for public education, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lower Yukon Regional School Board fully supports the Alaska Association of School Administrator's Finance Bill to the Seventeenth Legislature.

Passed and approved by the Regional School Board of the Lower Yukon School District this 15th day of January, 1991.

ATTEST: Leslie R. Hunter  
Leslie R. Hunter, Chairman

ATTEST: Timothy/Sergie  
Timothy/Sergie, Secretary

ATTEST: Michael Hunt  
Michael Hunt, Vice-Chair

ATTEST: Timothy Kaganak  
Timothy Kaganak, Treasurer

ATTEST: Keith Evans  
Keith Evans, Superintendent

# NENANA CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

P.O. BOX 00010  
NENANA, ALASKA 99760  
907-832-5464  
FAX 907-832-5625

Resolution #91-5

regarding

Nenana City Public School District's Support of Senate Bill

Relating to State Aid for Education

Whereas, the issue of inadequate funding for school children has been a concern for the past several years, in Nenana and in the State of Alaska and

Whereas, the programs for children and the staffing at our school has been significantly reduced, even at a time when the student population is increasing, and

Whereas, the concerns of the Nenana community, the Single/Dual Site Consortium and the educational organizations in the State have been put before the legislature numerous times without success, and

Whereas, Senate Bill #54 represents the best interests of the children in Alaska and is a proposal upon which School Board members, parents, teachers and administrators can pledge their support,

Therefore, be it Resolved that the Nenana School District go on record in support of Senate Bill #54 and,

Be it further resolved that the Nenana City Public School District School Board strongly supports the changes in the Foundation Funding for Alaska Public Schools as delineated in Senate Bill #54, and

Be it further resolved that the Nenana City Public School District School Board requests the active support of the Alaska Association of School Boards, the Alaska Association of School Administrators, and the Alaska State Board of Education in seeking these changes during this legislative session, and

Be it further resolved that the Nenana City Public School Board of Education will actively seek the support of Senators, Representatives and other State Officials who may be instrumental in the passage of this legislation to support the children of Alaska.

Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1991

Nenana City Public School Board

Ernie L. Chwin  
Deborah L. Finnes  
M. C. Donald Wood  
Mari Brown Moore

Ernie L. Chwin  
Barry Shields  
Martine Lamb  
Paul L. Storchel (agent)

# NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Pouch 169 • Barrow, Alaska 99723

(907) 852-5311 • FAX (907) 852-5984

Office of the  
Superintendent

Patsy Aamodt, *Superintendent*



*Nunamiat Wolves*  
Nunamiat School  
Box 21029  
Anaktuvuk Pass,  
Alaska 99721  
(907) 661-3226  
FAX (907) 661-3402

January 23, 1991

*Aiqasuk Eagles*  
Meade River School  
Aiqasuk, Alaska 99791  
(907) 633-6315  
FAX (907) 633-6215

Representative Eileen MacLean  
Co-Chair, House Finance Committee  
Pouch V  
Juneau, Alaska 99811

*Barrow Whalers*  
Barrow High School  
Pouch 8950  
Barrow, Alaska 99723  
(907) 852-8950

RE: House Bill 53, Increase State Education Aid

Dear Eileen:

*BMS Wolves*  
Barrow Middle School  
Pouch 8950  
Barrow, Alaska 99723  
(907) 852-8950

Ahrahaa! Title-chauran naguupaluktuq taiyuaqtuni. As you know, one of the NSB School District's legislative priorities is to actively support legislation that would increase the funding level in State Foundation Aid for schools in Alaska.

*Arctic Fox*  
Fred Ipalook  
Elementary School  
Box 450  
Barrow, Alaska 99723  
(907) 852-4711

My staff and I have reviewed House Bill 53, related to State Aid for Education, and would like to go on record that the NSB School District officially SUPPORTS this legislation. In addition, HB 53 appears to be identical to a draft Senate version which we had examined earlier. The draft version was supported by the Alaska Association of School Administrators.

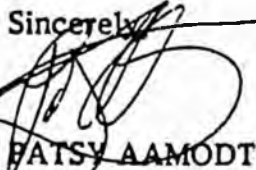
*Kaveelook Rams*  
Harold Kaveelook School  
Box 10  
Kaktovik, Alaska 99747  
(907) 640-6626  
FAX (907) 640-6717

The North Slope Borough officials also are supportive of HB 53 as any increase in foundation aid would benefit both the District and the Borough.

*Nuiqsut Trappers*  
Trapper School  
Nuiqsut, Alaska 99789  
(907) 480-6712  
FAX (907) 480-6621

Thank you for expressing your desire to become a co-sponsor of House Bill 53. I believe this bill is politically viable for all school districts in the State and hope you can continue supporting HB 53. Please let me know if my staff and I can be of any assistance to you. **BEST OF LUCK AND SUCCESS** as the Session begins!

*Tikigaq Harpooners*  
Tikigaq School  
Box 148  
Point Hope, Alaska 99766  
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### RESOLUTION 91-4

#### Alaska Association of School Administrators' Finance Proposal

The Southwest Region School District strongly endorses the finance proposal put forth by AASA and incorporated into the attached legislative bill.

#### Rationale:

1. This proposal represents a united position of the school districts of Alaska.
2. This proposal will benefit all school districts of the state.
3. This proposal addresses immediate needs of the school districts.
4. It is a first step toward an improved state funding formula for public school districts.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE  
SOUTHWEST REGION SCHOOL DISTRICT THIS 17<sup>th</sup> DAY OF  
January, 1991.

ATTESTED:

*Nils Frank*  
President, S.W. Region School Board

DATE:

1/17/91

*Sen / Cherry*  
Board Officer or Superintendent

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## POSITION PAPER IN SUPPORT OF SB 54 / HB 53

### Acts relating to state aid for education; and providing for an effective date

The Association of Alaska School Boards enthusiastically supports SB 54 and HB 53, identical bills relating to state aid for education. These bills address a number of issues critical to ensuring adequate and equitable funding for education in Alaska.

The legislature hasn't increased the level of school funding for five years, the result of which has been five years of serious cost cutting by school districts. Due to a lack of inflation proofing and cuts to the foundation program, current levels of funding are inadequate to reach expectations set forth by the governor, legislature and the public-at-large.

Alaska, like many other states, faces a legal challenge to its foundation funding formula which has produced inequitable funding between districts, particularly as it affects single/dual-site school districts and the issue of local taxation.

Due to fluctuating property values and how those values are tied to the current funding formula, districts find they cannot establish a stable base of funding at the local level. The hold harmless clause found in both bills address this issue.

An increase in the instructional unit value from \$60,000 to \$63,000 would help meet the expectations that Alaskans have set for education and would allow districts to protect the necessary school programs that can meet those expectations, as well as to carry out unfunded or underfunded state and federal mandates.

The Association of Alaska School Boards believes the proposed legislation addresses the concerns raised above. The time has come to take a comprehensive approach to remedying the inadequacies of the foundation funding formula. HB 53 and SB 54 represent the vehicle with which to help us address some of those goals. We encourage your active support of these efforts on behalf of Alaska's children.

2/11/91



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February 11, 1991

To: **Representatives Carney and Lincoln, Co-Chairs  
Members; House HESS Committee**

Re: **HB 53; "An Act relating to state aid for  
education; and providing for an effective date."**

NEA-Alaska strongly supports and encourages your favorable consideration of HB 53.

A disparity has existed in the public school foundation formula relative to single and dual site districts since we returned to the Instructional Unit technique of funding in 1987-88. The result has been an inordinate financial burden on these communities and the reduction or elimination of critical programs and services. These districts have not been able to get back up to prior levels of funding under the current formula.

Since 1987-88 it has been necessary, each year, for single and rural site districts to seek additional appropriations from the Legislature. It is not fair that they have had to withstand additional legislative scrutiny relative to their basic needs under a funding formula that is supposed to treat all districts equitably.

An increase in the Instructional Unit value is long overdue! Since the return to the current method of funding public education the Instructional Unit value of \$60,000 has not been changed. The adverse impact of inflation makes it worth \$52,361 in today's dollars. If it were to keep pace with inflation for 1991-92, in 1987-77 dollars, the Instructional Unit value should be set at \$74,550.

During this brief period critical programs and services for students have been cut back, and, unfortunately, in too many instances, eliminated. Employees have subsidized public education through salary and benefit cuts and freezes and increased workloads. Essential building maintenance has been deferred at an ever increasing eventual cost.

Also, we have been asking more of public education in terms of more effectively dealing with increasing problems in our society. It is time to increase the value of the Instructional Unit in our public school foundation formula.

Thank you for your consideration of our recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Manners  
Executive Director

Don Oberg  
President

cc: **Representative Mackie**