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Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Department Affected: Administration

Title: State Veterans Home BRU: Division of Pioneer Benefits

Component: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor: Sen. Kerttula

Requestor: Sen. Rodey (State Affairs)

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	0					
TRAVEL	0					
CONTRACTUAL	0					
SUPPLIES	0					
EQUIPMENT	0					
LAND & STRUCTURES	0					
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0					
MISCELLANEOUS	0					
TOTAL OPERATING	0					

CAPITAL	0					
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REVENUE	0					
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	0					

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: none

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.) SJR-9 is one of three measures designed to qualify and establish a State Veteran's Home in Alaska which would include federal funding. SB-44, enabling legislation and SB-45, an appropriation measure complete the three-bill package.

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Agency: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Revision Date: March 19, 1991

Title: State Veterans Home

Sponsor: Senator Kerttula

Requestor: Senator Rodev

Department Affected: Administration

BRU: Division of Pioneers' Benefits

Component: Pioneers' Homes

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	45.0	545.0	1,828.5	1,828.5	1,828.5	1,828.5
TRAVEL	3.0	5.0	15.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
CONTRACTUAL	0	245.0	857.0	857.0	857.0	900.0
SUPPLIES	0	25.0	129.0	129.0	129.0	140.0
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	10.0	10.0	15.0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0	2.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>48.0</b>	<b>822.0</b>	<b>2,839.5</b>	<b>2,837.5</b>	<b>2,837.5</b>	<b>2,896.5</b>

<b>CAPITAL</b>	<b>10,720.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
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<b>REVENUE from Feds and Vets</b>	<b>6,968.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>690.3</b>	<b>690.3</b>	<b>690.3</b>	<b>690.3</b>
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	3,800.0	822.0	2,149.2	2,147.2	2,147.2	2,206.2
FEDERAL FUNDS	6,968.0	45.0	322.7	322.7	322.7	322.7
OTHER per diem from Vets	0	55.0	367.7	367.7	367.7	367.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10,768.0</b>	<b>1,022.0</b>	<b>2,839.5</b>	<b>2,837.5</b>	<b>2,837.5</b>	<b>2,896.5</b>

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	1	1	32	32	32	32
PART-TIME	0	25	9	9	9	9
TEMPORARY	0	0	5	5	5	5

Estimate of current year impact: None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

See attached

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Approved by Commissioner: Millett Keller *Millett Keller*  
Agency: Administration

Date: 3/20/91

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# Fiscal Note SJR9 February 21, 1991

This fiscal note is calculated on the basis of duplicating the Juneau Pioneers' Home on Palmer property donated to the New Veterans Home as in-kind. Planned are 32 nursing beds, 20 domiciliary and 2 infirmary beds. Coordination of planning and implementation of services to be provided by the Division of Pioneers' Benefits.

## FY92

### OPERATING

Personal Services	\$ 45,000	Administrative Assistant I position located in central office
Travel	3,000	
<b>Total State Operating</b>	<b>\$ 48,000</b>	

### CAPITAL

Capital: Land acquisition	0	
Construction, equipment and furniture:		
Juneau PH 1986/87	\$8,543,000	Vet. Home 1992/93
	<u>437,000</u>	3% annual increase
	\$8,980,000	<u>                    </u>
		\$10,720,000

State share of Construction at 35% = \$3,752,000

The above estimates includes site preparation, consulting fees, demolition of existing structure on property, legal assistance for titles, 1% for art, DOT/PF construction administration fees. No changes in Health Care codes are included. The increase in construction cost of about 3% per year is based on information received from a Juneau Architect.

No CON (Certificate of Need) is anticipated.

# FY93

## OPERATING

Cost estimates are based on preparation of home for occupancy on April 1, 1993. Personal services costs are based on staggered hiring from January 1, 1993 and staggered admissions as of April 1, 1993.

Personal Services	\$ 45,000	Administrative Assistant I located in Central Office
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Start up costs for opening date of Vet Home between April 1 and July 1, 1993.

Personal Services	\$500,000	25 ppt from 3-6 months, staggered.
Travel	5,000	
Contractual	245,000	
Supplies	25,000	
Grants	<u>2,000</u>	

Total State Operating	\$822,000	
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REVENUES	100,000	Based on staggered admission during a three month period
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CAPITAL	100,000	Covers specialized orthopedic, handicapped mobility, medical equipment, specialized beds etc, which are dependent upon the Physical and medical needs of the residents. Includes set up of preventive maintenance program for medical and other equipment. Includes computerized medical records system, not included in the Juneau PH costs.
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Total Net State Funding	\$822,000	
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## FY94

### OPERATING

Personal Services	\$ 48,500	Located in Central Office
Personal Services	1,780,000	State Vet Home based on Juneau Pioneers; Home FY 92 budget, a copy of the staffing is attached: 31 FT, 9 PT, 5 non-perm/temporary.
Travel	15,000	Includes travel by CO staff to the Vet Home and staff moving costs
Contractual	857,000	Includes management and labor of food service under contract, not as State labor as in Palmer Pioneers' Home
Supplies	129,000	
Equipment	0	
Land and Structure	0	
Grants, Claims	<u>10,000</u>	
Total State Operating	\$2,839,500	
Total Net State Operating	\$2,149,160	

### For Comparison -

Juneau Pioneers' Home:	<u>FY 90</u> <u>Authorized</u>	<u>FY 92</u> <u>Proposed</u>
Personal Services	\$1,534,810	\$1,779,900
Travel	4,000	1,800
Contractual	815,800	857,400
Supplies	129,900	102,100
Equipment	12,000	0
Land & Structure	0	0
Grants, Claims	6,000	6,000
Miscellaneous	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	\$2,502,510	\$2,747,200

The above is based on the authorized budget from 1990 and proposed budget for 1992, for the Juneau Pioneers' Home.

## REVENUES

Federal Revenue	\$256,960	32 nursing residents at \$22/day
	65,700	20 domiciliary residents at \$9/day
Total Federal Revenue	\$322,660	Based on 52 beds occupied by veterans qualified for federal reimbursement
State Revenue	\$245,760	32 nursing beds at \$640 month
	121,920	20 domiciliary beds at \$508/month
Total State Revenue	\$367,680	
Total Revenue	\$690,340	Based on the assumption that approximately 80% of the possible revenue can be collected from the veterans due to inability to pay and for room vacancies due to discharges.

CAPITAL 0

Positions from FY94 to FY97 32 FT, 9 PT, 5 non perms (temp)

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# Alaska State Legislature

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Rep. Gene Kubina  
House State Affairs

SUBJ: SJR 9 --  
Veterans Homes

FROM: Senator Kerttula

DATE: April 9, 1991

I appreciate your consideration of Senate Joint Resolution 9, relating to state veterans' homes. SJR 9 would urge the federal government to give a high priority to Alaska's application for funds to establish and maintain a state veterans' home.

Alaska has the highest per capita number of veterans in the nation, with between 65,000 and 75,000 resident veterans out of a population of 551,000. In addition, many of the military stationed in Anchorage, Fairbanks and the Aleutians will retire in Alaska, adding to our number of resident veterans. Yet, although their need is great, elderly and disabled veterans have no place to go in Alaska when they need nursing care or assistance in living.

Currently, the VA will typically pay no more than 90 days of care for veterans in private nursing homes in Alaska, and an average of 12 Alaskan veterans who need nursing care are sent to outside veterans' homes each year. There are also large numbers of veterans who seek beds every night in homeless shelters in Anchorage.

State veterans' homes are medium to large facilities which have domiciliary, infirmary, and nursing care beds. At this time, there are 63 homes in 38 states, with two more homes under construction. Admission requirements vary from state to state

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with up to 25 percent of the occupants allowed to be nonveterans. Residency requirements also vary from state to state.

The federal government pays up to 65 percent of construction costs of veterans' homes. They also assist with operational costs by paying a per diem rate which varies according to the type of care provided. The current per diem rate is approximately \$22.00 per day for nursing care and \$9.00 per day for domiciliary care.