

HB

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FILE

Education #8

BY: Rep. Brown

Failed 2-8
AMENDMENT

TO: CS HB 230 (Fin) version M dated 3/22/96

Page 1, line 5

Delete: "714,832,400"
Insert: "717,861,600"

Page 2, line 8

Delete: "30,214,800"
Insert: "33,244,000"

Funds pupil transportation at foundation projected level for FY'97

ROLL CALL
HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

MEETING OF 3/27/96

SUBJECT DOE Amendment #

MEMBER	YES	NO
KELLY		✓
KOHRING		✓
MARTIN		✓
MULDER		✓
NAVARRE		
PARNELL		✓
THERRIAULT		✓
BROWN	✓	
GRUSSENDORF	✓	
HANLEY		✓
FOSTER		✓

TOTAL

PASSED: 2
FAILED: 0

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

(11)

Date Referred: March 17, 1995

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: 3/27/96

The FINANCE Committee considered:

HB 230

HOUSE BILL NO. 230

APPROP: FY 96 & FY 97 EDUCATION PROGRAMS

"An Act making appropriations to the Department of Education for support of kindergarten, primary, and secondary education and for community schools programs for fiscal year 1996 and fiscal year 1997; making appropriations from the constitutional budget reserve fund under art. IX, sec. 17(c), Constitution of the State of Alaska; and providing for an effective date."

recommends it be replaced with the following committee substitute CS HB 230 (FIN) the same title a new title

additional referral to _____ Committee
 attached amendment(s)

ADOPTS: _____ Letter of Intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S): _____ (Dept)

APPROVES PREVIOUS: _____ (Dept/Date)

fiscal note(s) _____

fiscal note(s) _____

zero fiscal note(s) _____

zero fiscal note(s) _____

SIGNING WITH RECOMMENDATIONS		DP	DNP	NR	AM
<i>Richard J. ...</i>	Foster	X			
<i>Mark Hanley</i>	Hanley	X			
<i>Mark ...</i>	Mulder	X			
<i>Terry Martin</i>	Martin	X			
<i>Sean Pannell</i>	Pannell	X			
<i>Lee ...</i>	Kohring	X			
<i>Ben ...</i>	Grossendert				X
<i>Jay Brown</i>	Brown				X
<i>Tim ...</i>	Therriault	X			
<i>Michelle ...</i>	Kelly	X			
<i>Michelle ...</i>	Uabarro				X

CHAIR'S SIGNATURE *Mark Hanley* *Richard J. ...*

Adopted
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Utermohle
3/22/96

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 230(FIN)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered:

Referred:

Funding Information:	General Fund	\$657,495,500
	Other Funds	<u>57,336,900</u>
		\$714,832,400

Sponsor(s): HOUSE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act making appropriations to the Department of Education for support of
 2 kindergarten, primary, and secondary education and for community schools
 3 programs for fiscal year 1997; and providing for an effective date."

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

5 * Section 1. The sum of \$714,832,400 is appropriated from the general fund and from
 6 other funds in the amounts listed to the Department of Education for the purposes expressed
 7 and allocated in the amounts listed for operating expenditures for the fiscal year ending
 8 June 30, 1997:

	FUND SOURCE	AMOUNT
9		
10	General fund	\$657,495,500
11	Public school trust fund (AS 37.14.110)	11,855,900
12	School fund (AS 43.50.140)	2,690,000
13	Federal receipts - P.L. 81-874	20,791,000
14	Federal receipts other than P.L. 81-874	22,000,000

	PURPOSE	ALLOCATION AMOUNT
1		
2	Foundation program	\$649,835,800
3	Child nutrition/student lunch program	22,000,000
4	Cigarette tax distribution	2,690,000
5	Tuition students	1,731,200
6	Boarding home grants	185,900
7	Youth in detention	800,000
8	Pupil transportation	30,214,800
9	Schools for the handicapped	3,721,300
10	Community schools	500,000
11	Additional district support	3,149,400

12 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect July 1, 1996.

* to Be added under
additional support

Attachment #1

3/27/96 pm

CODE	EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION	FY 95 ACTUAL	FY 96 AUTHORIZED	FY 97 ADJ BASE	FY 97 GOVERNOR
75025	Total Lands, Buildings, Non-structural Improvements				
	Interagency Transfers (non-add)				
77000	Total Assistance, Grants, and Benefits	3,639.8	3,228.7	3,228.7	3,149.4
	Interagency Transfers (non-add)				
78000	Total Miscellaneous and Debt Service				
	Interagency Transfers (non-add)				

FUNDING SOURCES

1002	Federal Receipts				
1003	General Fund Match				
1004	General Fund	3,639.8	3,228.7	3,228.7	3,149.4
1005	General Fund Program Receipts				
1037	General Fund Mental Health				
1007	Interagency Receipts				

CODE	DESCRIPTION	EXPLANATION	FY 96 AUTHORIZED	FY 97 ADJ BASE	FY 97 GOVERNOR
77400	Supplementary funds to single site school districts to cover perceived shortfalls in the existing foundation formula. Allocations are based on FY97 projections and are as follows:		3,228.7	3,228.7	3,149.4
	Aleutian Region \$40.2	Hydaburg \$98.2			
	Annette Island \$177.5	Kake \$137.3			
	Cordova \$168.4	Kashunamiut \$147.6			
	Craig \$172.0	Klawock \$161.0			
	Dillingham \$212.9	Nenana \$152.5			
	Galena \$158.6	Nome \$257.4			
	Hoonah \$126.3	Pelican \$51.2			
		Petersburg \$210.5			
		Skagway \$120.2			
		St. Mary's \$145.8			
		Tanana \$117.1			
		Unalaska \$186.1			
		Wrangell \$159.2			
		Yakutat \$149.5			

**LANDS, GRANTS, AND
MISCELLANEOUS**
Form C700
Revised 8/1/95

AGENCY Department of Education

BRU K-12 Support

COMPONENT Additional District Support #155

Page 1 of 1

Revised Date:

FY 97

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April 11, 1995

Dear Legislators,

I am emphatically for full funding for education. Our budget does not spend as much on education as 45 other states. Are we going to let our children become disadvantaged educationally?

Fairbanks has a good reputation for superior education and we should continue to educate our children. I know funding allocation is a tough job but I'm pleading for this important issue.

Marsha Munnell

Box 81155

Fairbanks, AK 99708

(907) 455-6673

4/11/95

I support HB 230 for full funding
of education.

Margaret G. Lund
382 Vicle Dr
Fairbanks Ak 99712

April 11, 1995

Jackie Martin
PO Box 195
Ester, AK 99725

To: Interior Delegation Members

I am writing to let you know that I am in support of FULL FUNDING for education in Alaska. I believe that now, more than ever, our schools need the full support of the Legislature's funding structure. Schools teachers, and parents are facing real challenges as we enter the next millenium. We need full and complete education support in dollars and attitude!

Sincerely,

Jackie Martin

Jackie Martin
(907) 479-7384

711 Dalton Trail
Fairbanks, A
11 April 1995

To House Legislators:

I wish to urge you to support full
funding for education in Alaska.

Our schools cannot sustain the
high level of excellence with mere
flat funding. Please support us.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,



Cynthia Davis

711 Dalton Trail
Fairbanks, AK 99709
(907) 479-0306

4/11/95

Dear Legislators

As a parent of a school age child
I am concerned about funding.

I urge you to support full funding
for Education in Alaska

Thank you

Jim Pedusa
1757 Rise Rd
Eggs AK 99709
479-0709

4-10-95

To Interior Delegates!

Please support full funding
for education in Alaska.

Our children are our
future. The rate of return
(investing in our children) is
to be considered & its good use
of state dollars. Pay now or
pay later, kids cost \$\$. Let's
have our dollars work wisely.

Blair Schud

2436 Nugget Loop
Fairbanks Ak.
99709

907. 455 6397

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April 11, 1995

Gail Koepf
2830 Beverly Lane
Fairbanks, AK 99709
(907) 455-6837

Dear Legislators,

Please support Full Funding for education this year. Alaska state funding for education is one of the lowest percentage wise in the country. I have been part of the Fairbanks public schools for 8 years as parent volunteer + PTA board member. My children have been in classes of over 30 students in elementary grades when the recommended maximum is 20!

I am willing to pay state income tax, a sales tax or give up my P.F.D. check for our kids' future. Alaska has a great but challenging future - we need a population who can meet this challenge!

Thank you for your time + attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Gail Koepf

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4/11/95

To Interior Delegates -

My husband and I are very concerned about recent threats to education budgets. We are very involved with our children and their school, and feel that for our community, and our future, education is the most important place we can put our dollars. As budget cuts are made in our school, our children seem to lose educational programs that greatly affect the quality of learning. We would like to strongly encourage you to fully fund education in our schools! These funds will be well spent on our children, and our future.

Sincerely,

Arsan Tilly
3842 Hardluck Dr.
Fairbanks, AK 99709

455-6143

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April 11, 1995

To: Interior Delegation

As a mother of 2 pre school aged children, I want to encourage you to fund education to the fullest extent.

Historically, Alaska's education budget has been cut, due to inflation and costs, nearly 30% in the past 7 years.

Research statistics tell us that there is a direct correlation between a state's financial commitment to education, and its students' test scores on the SAT.

Our future in Alaska demands well educated children. I urge you to support full-funding and put education as your #1 priority.

Sincerely,

Deborah Wilkinson

185 Gold Mine Trail Fairbanks, AK 99712

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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

PLEASE ENTER INTO THE RECORD MY TESTIMONY TO THE Finance Committee
 COMMITTEE ON H3 230 DATED 4/12/95
 BILL SUBJECT

I was here to testify at 1:30pm on the 30th and had
 to leave by 2:30pm - so I had to leave and
 like to see to your report on education funding. By calling
 this bill a "flat funding bill" many people are
 interpreting that you will be forward funding \$61,000
 for two years based on the foundation unit. I am
 calling this bill a "flat funding" but you are misleading
 Alaskan voters. By the Alaskan Constitution you are mandated
 to fund all Alaskan students which includes funding
 for new students. I believe that you would be grossly
 negligent in not recognizing this. I hope I can have
 another chance to talk to you about this.

SIGNED Carol Mowes
 TESTIFIER

Fairbanks Council of PTA's
 REPRESENTING (OPTIONAL) U

PO Box 9 Ester AK 99725
 ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER

479-3247

Karen Kallen-Brown
P.O. Box 85
Cold Bay, Alaska 99571

March 24, 1995

House Finance Committee
State Capitol Building
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Committee Members:

I am writing to urge you to support (or even increase) full funding of the Foundation Formula for our schools. I recognize that funding in tight and that cuts must be made somewhere. But, I urge you to make them elsewhere. The quality of education in Alaska had been deteriorating due to the de facto cuts imposed by rising inflation. Our children are our future. Denying them adequate preparation for life is asking for a disastrous future.

As a parent of two children in Alaskan public schools, I can tell you it is imperative that class enrollments are not allowed to increase. Our schools have been struggling with ever-tightening budgets for a number of years. During this time, class sizes have increased, support staff and special programs have been reduced, and more and more students with special needs are being included in the regular education classrooms. In addition, more and more parents are working and/or coping with social problems that prevent them from being active supporters of their children's education. Without adequate teachers and support staff to accommodate our students' diverse needs, our youth will not have equal educational opportunity to succeed. If our students do not experience academic success, they will not be prepared to be productive members of our society as adults. If we do not have a well-trained workforce, Alaska and our nation will not be competitive in the world market.

My sons have experienced home-schooling through one of the rural school districts, and public school classes in both urban and rural schools. In the urban schools, my sons were not given adequate attention because the teachers were busy with disturbed students who demanded their attention by acting out. My sons, who were following directions, did not get attention. This happened in several classrooms with teachers whom I consider excellent so I do not think it can be attributed to any shortcoming on their part. By the end of the third year, my oldest son was acting out and receiving lots of negative attention. (This is a pattern repeated by a significant percentage of our bright students--the ones we need to train to be our future leaders. 10-30% of high school dropouts are these bright students, a tragic waste of our resources and significant drain on society. Many gang leaders test out to be gifted students who have tuned out and are wasting their leadership abilities on illegal activities.) You can see why I, as a parent, was in a panic, wondering what had become of my cooperative, high-achieving son who was now sullen and defiant. My youngest son was simply lost and made no academic gains.

So, I moved and put my sons in a small rural school where they are doing much better.

However, the teachers are so overworked (teaching so many age and grade ranges) that the program falls short of ideal. My oldest son is very academically advanced and is now taking some high school classes. However, when I see how overworked the teachers are, I must wonder whether they will be able to provide the challenging advanced math and science courses he will need when he is of high school age. Frankly, I do not see how that could be possible at the current level of staffing. When I see how stressed the teachers are already, trying to accommodate the needs of such a broad range of students, I wonder whether there will be any continuity in the educational program with the high teacher turnover common to rural schools because of this stress. Further, I worry about the social pressures my son and other pre-teens experience when they are grouped with students many years older than them for the entire school day. (The class ranges from 10-year olds to 18-year olds.) I know the older students are often frustrated at the amount of time the teachers must spend with the younger students.

We have reached the point of diminishing returns in our educational programs. We need to provide adequate funding to meet the ever-increasing needs of our students and society. I urge you to fund education adequately to ensure that **every** Alaskan child has equal opportunity to excellent educational programming so Alaska's future will hold promise.

Thank you very much for your consideration of my concerns.

Sincerely,

Karen Kellan Brown

Randy Brown
P.O. Box 85
Cold Bay, Alaska 99571

March 24, 1995

House Finance Committee
State Capitol Building
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Committee Members:

I am writing to urge you to support (or even increase) full funding of the Foundation Formula for our schools. I am especially concerned that proposed funding levels will result in a decrease in pupil/teacher ratio for young children. This will be disastrous since this is the time that children begin reading, a skill essential to school success in all areas.

As the parent of a second grader, I can tell you that large class sizes in kindergarten and first grade resulted in my son's inability to read. My son just did not get enough attention or quality instructional time to make academic gains. Efforts were made to remediate for this deficiency through a Chapter I reading program. Finally, this year I moved to a rural location where the class size would be smaller. Even with the enormous strain of a class range of five grades, my son receives more attention. He is now thriving and is reading far above grade level instead of well below it.

I have serious concerns over how overworked teachers in the small multi-grade rural schools are. I also have concerns about young children being exposed to age-inappropriate ideas by older students who are in the same classroom. I do not believe public schools can even approximate a reasonable educational program if additional cuts are made. There is no excess left to cut in our local school. In fact, an earlier reduction eliminated one teaching position, which is why the current teachers and students are exposed to the constant daily stress of being in too broad an age/grade spread to meet their developmental needs, especially in the social realm.

Please fund education adequately. Our future, as well as our children's, is at stake. Thank you for your consideration of my concerns.

Sincerely,

Randy Brown



3 '85

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To	Mark Haveler	From	Don Bremner
Co.		Co.	
Dept.		Phone #	
Fax #		Fax #	

March 24, 1995

House Finance Committee Member

RE: HB-230

Dear Recipient:

Whereas, HB-230 lists the following schools in Southeast Alaska: Annette Island, Craig, Hoonah, Hydaburg, Kake, Klawock, Pelican, Petersburg, Skagway, Wrangell and Yakutat, and whereas HB-230 will substantially cut State funding to these schools which will decrease the number of teachers and other educational activities needed by the students attending these schools to achieve a satisfactory level of learning, and whereas these communities cannot afford these cuts and do not have the capability to replace the State funds, now therefore be it RESOLVED, that Yak-Tat Kwaan, Inc. offices would like to let you know that we are strongly opposed to any funding cuts to the single site schools as proposed by HB-230.

We would like to see the State Legislature fund these schools at least at the same level as last year.

Sincerely,

Don Bremner /JK
Don Bremner, President
YAK-Tat Kwaan, Inc

cc: Yakutat School District
City and Borough of Yakutat
Alaska Association of School Boards
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HOUSE BILL 230

Dear House or Senate Members,

We can't afford to have our instructional unit reduced here on the Kenai Peninsula. Please don't cut our funding because we don't have enough now.

It is very important that you don't pass House Bill 230!!!

We don't have enough supplies to properly run our schools. We have taken about a 20% reduction in our supply budget for next year and can't afford a future reduction. The district is now forced to cut our nursing staff, and being a remote site it is very important that we have the one visit a month we have now. The District is asking all students to pay thirty dollars for books and materials, and this amount could increase if another \$600,000 is cut from our budget. Many parents can't afford a fee at all. If you pass this bill it will increase our pupil teacher ratio because more teachers will have to be cut, and this will hurt the students education.

Please don't pass this bill!!!

Sincerely,
Kachemak Selo School Staff, PTA & Students
Homer Alaska, KPBSD

Jekla Fefelov

Virginia Reutor

Gary Lambert

Dominika Reutor

Scott Simpson

Andy Re

David Kalugin

Sharon K. Culey

Deb Re

Hionia Konev

Solomonina Fefelov

Lida Konev

Varelika Reutor

Sharon Re

Randy Casner

Danil Reutor

Michael Konev

Silverst Kippun
Adler Kuznetsov

Alena Re

Mel Reutor

Anna Reutor

Andy Re

Keya Re

Judy Martich

Mark

RICKY A. MARTIN
PO BOX 37129
TOKSOOK BAY, ALASKA 99637

05 APRIL 1995

HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE
ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
JUNEAU AK 99801

SUBJECT: SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 230.

Dear House Finance Committee,

As a conservative Republican I would like to express to you my FULL SUPPORT FOR HOUSE BILL 230. Waste in our public schools must be halted! To give you an example of the waste, I found the attached document in my box at school. The document was, to my understanding, faxed to all school sites from our district office, likely at the expense of PUBLIC FUNDS. After receipt at our school site it was then duplicated and placed in all of the teachers boxes.

Perhaps if schools would spend more time teaching students and not spending money sending out "ACTION ALERTS!" then it is possible that the results would improve. The major issue in the Alaskan schools is how to get more money, not how to use it for effective programs once they have it.

Please VOTE YES on HOUSE BILL 230.

Sincerely,



RICKY A. MARTIN

ATTACHMENTS (2)

MAR 24 '95 19:39

↑ FAX HEADER

Richard
P.1/5



Friday, March 24, 1995

ACTION ALERT!

LEGISLATURE PREPARES TO SHORTFUND EDUCATION

Attached please find a Legislative Action Alert regarding House Bill 230. If passed, HB 230 will fund K-12 education at the same dollar amount for 1995-96 and 1996-97 at this year's level.

The bill is currently in House Finance Committee. At this point in time, we are asking school board members, administrators, and members of the public to send postcards and letters to members of the House Finance Committee supporting full funding at the \$61,000 Instructional Unit level.

Public Opinion Messages (POMs), while not quite as effective as post cards or letters, may also be called in or faxed to the Legislative Information nearest to your district. Also, please contact your local PTA, Chamber of Commerce, Borough Assembly, and other influential community members to apprise them of the situation and its impact on your community and to enlist their active support.

Legislators need to hear from a broad cross section of their constituencies.

A sample action alert is attached for your use. We would encourage you to share it with others in your school district who may be willing to send in messages.

Please encourage petitions and letters from the ASB and Councils in the Village — Sue

Carl Rose, Executive Director
Association of Alaska School Boards

Action Alert!

Oppose HB 230 Support full funding for education at the \$61,000 Instructional Unit level

HB 230, an Act making appropriations to the Department of Education for support of kindergarten, primary, and secondary education and for Community Schools programs for fiscal year 1996 and fiscal year 1997 passed the House Health, Education and Social Services (HESS) Committee. This legislation, if passed, will fund K-12 education at this year's funding level for the next two years. No additional funding would be provided for increased enrollment. In effect, this would prorate the Instructional Unit value from \$61,000 to under \$59,935 for FY96, and \$58,720 for FY97.

Attached please find a DOE impact statement. The impact of HB 230 on your district appears on that statement. Estimates show that HB 230 will result in a total loss of \$13.4 million statewide in FY96 and \$29.4 million statewide in FY97.

Gov. Knowles introduced legislation several weeks ago which would fully fund the Instructional Unit value at the \$61,000 level. Be aware that the education appropriation is part of Gov. Knowles' budget plan, which means the whole budget has to be passed for education to go through at that level. We would like to see education pulled out of the overall operating budget and addressed separately. Our chances are better if education funding is separate so we aren't in the position of having to defend the entire budget and having our influence on education funding diluted.

ACTION NEEDED

HB 230 is currently in House Finance. Members of the House Finance Committee need to hear from the public that they oppose HB 230 and support full funding of education at the \$61,000 level.

Please send a postcard or a letter to members of the House Finance Committee today.

Sample Messages:

- Please support K-12 education funding at a minimum of a \$61,000 Instructional Unit level to meet the instructional and program service needs of our schools. I urge the legislature and the governor to work together in achieving this goal.
- Please support the governor's education budget for full funding of education at the \$61,000 Instructional Unit level. Sound educational programs and practices will be cut from our schools if this funding level is not maintained.
- I oppose HB 230. Please support full funding of education at the \$61,000 Instructional Unit level.

Please consider adding a personal note at the bottom of the postcard. Sign your full name and provide your mailing address. Please send AASE a copy of the message sent along with a list of legislators who were contacted, for purposes of monitoring.



STATE of ALASKA

Delta Junction Legislative Information Office

P.O. Box 1189
Room 210, Jarvis Office Center
Delta Junction, AK 99737
(907) 895-4236

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April 11, 1995

TO: House Finance Committee

Please accept the enclosed original(s) of written testimony for the House Finance Committee teleconference hearing that was scheduled on 4/11/95.

Copy of this testimony was transmitted to your committee via fax on 4/11/95.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "E. A. Sarver".

Elizabeth A. Sarver
Information Officer

Enclosures: 4

FAX TO : 895-5011



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Finance
committee name

committee on HB 230, dated 4/11/95
bill/subject

Please don't cut opportunities for children. Vote AGAINST HB230. Vote YES on the Governor's budget for school funding. For years education has been cited as the undeserved scapegoat for all of the ills of our society. Over the past two years our Nation, and subsequently, our State have decided to make education a priority with programs such as Goals 2000, and Alaska 2000. You have already invested time and resources into studies and a plan of action. Now, you want to throw all of that away with these proposed cuts. As past budget cuts have hit the schools, I have watched supplies and resources dwindle, while teachers paid for more and more of their student's needs out of their own pockets. Here again, it seems that government is spouting lofty goals without supplying the funds to support these goals! Yet, isn't it funny that the blame NEVER seems to rest at your door? I work in a school where a majority of the students participate in the FREE and REDUCED lunch program. Many of these same children come to school HUNGRY, hardly a contributing factor of optimal learning! We see a need for the ADDITION of a breakfast program, NOT a CUT in the current program! As a body, you have stated repeatedly that as a nation, our future is in our children, our MOST VALUABLE RESOURCE! Yet, you refuse to accept the responsibility of investing in that future! Please demonstrate your renewed commitment to our children. Vote AGAINST HB230, and vote YES on the Governor's budget for education. Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Signed: Jackie Nelson-Ligarde
Testifier

President, DGESPA
Representing (Optional)

HC 60 Bx 4180, Delta Jct, Ak.
Address

895-4217
Phone No.



Alaska State Legislature

FINANCE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the _____
 committee on HB230 , dated _____
 bill/subject committee name
APRIL 11, 1995

I strongly urge you to support K-12 education funding at a minimum of the \$61,000 Instructional Unit level. We absolutely need this funding to meet the instructional and program service needs of our schools. We are at a basic level now; the "extra" programs have disappeared since 1986.

Too many dollars are being threatened at the local and state and federal level for us to continue offering our students an adequate education. Cuts will pull dollars from programs and supplies in order to pay increases in utility, insurance and equipment bills due to inflation.

Our students must be able to compete with others on a global level. In order to do so, they need the opportunity to have access to the latest information and technology. This cannot be had on trimmed budgets. Cuts will necessitate hiring fewer personnel thereby driving up class sizes. Research has shown that when classes are too large, students can be less active and, therefore, less effective learners.

Support the governor's education budget for full funding. Our citizenry needs the legislature and the governor working together.

Signed: Mary R. Cosovan _____

 Representing (Optional)
 HC60 BOX 3050, DELTA JUNCTION, AK 99737

 Address
 (907)895-4886

 Phone No.

1995 Alaska State Legislature Form

4-11-75

Dear Representatives Hanley, Foster, Mulder,
 Parnell, Kelly, Sherrill, Martin, Kohring
 Brown, Gussenberg, Newberry
 Please support the governor's education
 budget for full funding of education at
 the \$6,000 instructional unit level.

I am a teacher in the Lower Kuskokwim
 School District. My son is a Gifted
 and Talented student who was a "chronic"
 underachiever. I brought him here
 from New Mexico three years ago because
 several Alaskans had told me about
 the excellence of the state's education.
 It was true - he makes A's in math now!
 Please support Alaska's reputation for
 student learning - financial cut backs always
 hurt kids in the long or short term or both.

Yours very truly,
 Janet Van Norman

Janet Van Norman
 35 Old Village Rd
 Kasigluk AK 99609
 (907) 477-6034 wk.
 (907) 477-6720 home
 The Akvak School
 Juniors and Seniors:

- Shirley Berlin
- Ann Marie Charles
- Grace Brink
- Sharon Slim
- Rosaleen Brink
- Nick Kaula Jr.

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[Signature: Gerald...]



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Finance committee name
 committee on HB 230 , dated 4-11-95
 bill/subject

Please consider this bill as a step backward for public education. We cannot continue to educate our students, with less and less funding. We are striving to maintain adequate levels in our programs to ensure a student that will have school to work or school to college abilities. This bill makes that goal less likely with each year of re-direction to other funding. Please do not support this bill.

Signed: Doris Fales

Testifier

Delta/Grady School District

Representing (Optional)

P.O. Box 527 Delta Jct. AK 99737

Address

895-4502 (home) 895-4658 (school office)

Phone No.



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the HOUSE FINANCE
 committee name
 committee on HB 230 dated 4/11/95
 bill/subject

I APPRAISE THE TASK AND YOUR APPROACH TO SPENDING
 REDUCTION IN THE STATE. PUBLIC EDUCATION HAS TO
 BE FULLY FUNDED. WITH NO CHANGE IN THE FOUNDATION
 FORMULA SCHOOLS ARE LOOKING AT ACUT IN STATUS
 QUD. PLEASE BURY THIS BILL IN COMMITTEE FOR
 THE SAKE OF OUR CHILDREN.

Signed *Dan Beck*
 Testifier

Dan Beck Asst Super. Delta/Greely Sch.
 Representing (Optional)

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895-4852

Phone No.

ALASKA GATEWAY SCHOOL DISTRICT
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FAX COVER SHEET

TO: Mark Hanley
ATTN: House Finance Comm.
DATE: 4/11/95 TIME: 3:00 AM
FAX NO: 4652418 SENDER'S INITIALS/NAME: DON WATSON
SUBJECT: SB 132

Transmission contains this cover sheet and 1 page(s)

REMARKS: To be read before
Committee

Fax # Eagle-547-2303; Northway-778-2221; Tok School-883-5155;
Tanacross-883-4291; District Office-883-5154.

April 11, 1995

To: Mark Hanley, Chairman of the House Finance Committee

From: Tok Area Teachers

Re: SB 132

We have read this proposal and would like to express our dismay at the implications to education and educators should it be implemented. What a step backward for all of us! It definitely appears that some of the provisions are nothing short of vindictive, and we would like to register a formal protest and ask that you carefully reconsider all aspects of this bill.

Public Opinion Message

April 11, 1995

TO House Finance Committee

FROM Nancy Harris, President
Petersburg Board of Education

RE HB 230

The Petersburg Board of Education supports full funding of the Instructional Unit. We oppose HB 230, which would decrease the Instructional Unit value and cause more cuts to education in our district. We are asking for the maximum local contribution for FY '96 from our city council. We are ready to work with legislators on needed educational improvements and meaningful change in the education funding system. Let's tackle these problems before taking steps that will further penalize children in our state.

Leighann Brown

P.O. Box 672
TOK, ALASKA 99780-0672

TO OUR HONORED PERSONS IN GOVERNMENT:

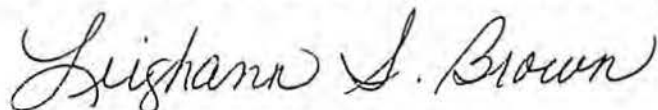
I AM A MOTHER OF 3 TOK SCHOOL STUDENTS, AND VERY PROUD OF OUR NEW SCHOOL THAT WAS LONG OVER-DUE. THANK YOU!

I AM WRITING IN RESPONSE THAT OUR STATE FUNDING FOR OUR CHILDREN MAY BE CUT. IN A RURAL AREA (AS YOU KNOW) THERE IS NOT MANY OF EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES TO DO AND THE SCHOOL IS THE ONE PLACE THAT CHILDREN CAN GO, AND THERE IS ALWAYS SOME KIND OF ACTIVITY GOING ON. WITH FUNDS BEING CUT OUR CHILDREN WILL BE CUT OUT OF A LOT ACTIVITIES, SUCH AS MUSIC, ART AND SPORTS, WHICH ARE AS IMPORTANT AS THE REQUIRED SUBJECTS.

CAN WE PLEASE FIND DIFFERENT AND INNOVATIVE WAYS TO FIND FUNDING FOR OUR SCHOOLS. ONE WAY COULD BE TO START A LOTTERY LIKE MANY OTHER STATES HAVE THAT GO TO FUND EDUCATION.

WE ALL LOVE OUR CHILDREN AND KNOW THAT TIMES NOW ARE HARDER THEN EVER AND WE NEED TO WORK WITH OUR CHILDREN AND MAKE SURE THAT THEIR FUTURE IS AS GOOD AS OURS HAS BEEN AND GIVE THE THE EDUCATION THAT THEY DESERVE. LETS NOT TAKE IT FORM THE ONES WHO NEED IT THE MOST.

AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONCERN.



LEIGHANN S. BROWN

HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

STATE CAPITOL, JUNEAU 99801
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SPONSOR STATEMENT

House Bill No. 230

"An Act making appropriations to the Department of Education"

HB 230 is an integral part of the House Finance Five-Year Budget Plan, designed to reduce the State of Alaska operating budget by \$250 million dollars. A fiscal gap of \$522 million dollars is being projected for FY96.

Education, along with health and social services and state employee salaries and benefits, make up 75% of the budget. In order to reach the target reduction of \$70 million for FY96, reductions must be made in these categories as well as the remaining 25% of the budget.

HB 230 is the K-12 support appropriation to the Department of Education for FY96 and FY97. This amount is identical to the funding approved for FY95 by the Budget Conference Committee.

By forward-funding education in this manner, the Legislature has provided secured funding for two years, allowing the districts to prepare more adequately for providing programs with less money per student.

William D. and Carol G. Kane
 1000 WOODCREST CIRCLE
 WASILLA, ALASKA 99654
 PHONE: (907)-376-2467

Teleconference Testimony - HB 230

3/14/95

2:00 P.M.

To: Co-Chairpersons
 Representative Cynthia Toohey and/or Representative Con Bunde
 Health, Education and Social Services,
 Finance Committee

From: Carol G. Kane *CGK*
 1000 Woodcrest Circle
 Wasilla, Alaska, 99654
 Phone: (907) 376-2467

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in this teleconference today. I would also like to extend my appreciation to each of you for giving your time and personal resources on behalf of Alaskan citizens.

I am a taxpayer, property owner, educator and have been a resident of Alaska for the past 13 years. My husband and I value the quality of life in Alaska and plan to live here the rest of our lives. I have had the opportunity to have a leadership role in education through our professional organizations at the local, state, and national levels. I am proud to be an Alaskan educator. I believe that we provide exemplary educational programs for students regardless of where they live or their ethnic origin. Educators today have met and will strive to meet the challenges in the future presented by society. We have accepted full responsibility to provide curricular and co-curricular programs which will enable students to become productive citizens of the 21st century. Additionally, out of necessity, and because we are empathetic caregivers, we provide family life support by escalating proportions.

I am alarmed to realize the current language proposed in HB NO. 230 would result in a reduction in the funding level for FY 96/97. For FY96, the current level of funding should be no less than currently funded for FY95. We must not hold hostage the education of students in this state because we have not allocated funding to meet our constitutional obligations. To allow adequate planning and assessment, I would propose that we look at options to determine how education will be funded after the next fiscal year and in future years.

The current funding allocation, with high emphasis on the property owners must be revisited. Because we educate all children, it would seem equitable that a combination of revenue resources be utilized to determine a fairer and more appropriate funding formula. I do not believe in a free ride. Yes, in Alaska we must get on the bus, pay our fare by generating new funding and reallocate that which we already utilize for revenue. I would propose that the revenues might include a combination of the following based on a percentage allocation for the full education formula:

- %age Federal Resources
- %age Education Tax - to be paid by every citizen (senior citizens exempt at 60 yrs.)
- %age Permanent Fund - to be paid by every citizen (no exemption for senior citizens)
- %age Property Tax - to be paid by all property owners (not personal property)

Where possible, education appropriations would go directly to the school district and not through the borough political structure. I believe that we should provide a funding structure for a two year budget appropriation for every district. This would eliminate the annual "knee jerk" panic that encompasses the public, educators, and legislators. The expanded two year funding allocation would allow for better planning and an improved educational community.

I am willing to work with a committee to review this funding dilemma and hopefully the development of a new formula that would result in long term stability. Collectively, we can provide what our children need today for tomorrow's work force.

Again, thank you for your consideration of my input.

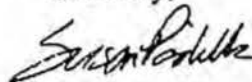
3/14/95

*Alaska State Legislature**Members of the Legislature,*

I am submitting my written comment on HB 230. I am writing as a concerned parent, urging you to vote down HB230, and support the education of the children in our state. As a 20 year resident of the state of Alaska, I have witnessed the continual ease at which our legislature reduces its responsibility to our children's education. The state funding for education the last few years has remained stagnate, while the cost of education continues to rise. The educational funding unit has never kept up with inflation which has lowered the actual amount to school districts over the years. Communities, such as Sitka, have struggled to keep up. The continual deterioration of these funds every year has had a detrimental effect on the educational system. School District budgets now are forced with providing quality education with fewer and fewer dollars. The legislatures need only to attend school budget hearings to understand that programs are being cut, classroom sizes are increasing, buildings are deteriorating all at the expense of the students we are trying to educate. Where are the priorities of the legislature? Campaign rhetoric is always full of promises for increased support of education. Where is all the action that goes along with these promises? Where is the support? As communities, such as Sitka, are struggling with their own finances it is important that our legislature promote the need for education, and send a message to all communities that education is one of the most important services we can provide to our children. By continually cutting back on its funding you are sending a clear message that the children of our state are not a priority, that education is not important. I urge you not to hold the educational funding at its current levels. By doing so you are targeting the children who only have one shot at their education. If we don't do the best job possible to educate them we have all failed.

Thank you for taking my testimony, and I urge you to vote down HB230.

Sincerely,



*Susan Padilla
312 Wortman Loop
Sitka Alaska 99835*



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Health Education + Social Services
committee name

committee on HB 230, dated March 14, 1995
bill/subject

My husband and I have two students in the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District, I have been an active PTA member and volunteer in our schools since 1983.

I am strongly opposed to cuts to education. The foundation formula has not been increased for 4 or 5 years. That means our buying power has continually decreased over the past 4 or 5 years. Further cuts are not justified; indeed, they are unconscionable. School Districts across the State are scrambling for resources. Please don't further undermine education! Our children are Alaska's future. They are worth the investment; the future of Alaska depends on well educated citizens.

Further, the provision of HB 230 that would deny school districts increased funds when they experience an increase in students makes no sense at all. When you have more students, it costs proportionally more to educate them well.

The popular notion that all areas of government should "feel the pain" of decreased revenue is difficult to defend when our children's education is carelessly put on the chopping block. I'd far rather see cuts come in the area of new roads. Education is the best investment we can make!

Signed: GAIL HATTAN

Testifier

FAIRBANKS Council of PTAs | Self

Representing (Optional)

992 Willow Grouse Rd

Address

Fairbanks, Ak 99712

March 16, 1995

TO: House HESS Committee
Rep. Cynthia Toohey, Chairperson
Rep. Con Bunde
Rep. Al Vesey
Rep. Gary Davis
Rep. Tom Brice
Rep. Karen Robinson

FROM:

Jackie Dailey #780-4539
5959 Sunset St.
Juneau, Alaska 99801

RE: HB 230

As a Site-Based Council and a PTA member, and a parent of a student at Harborview/Capital School, I strongly recommend a NO vote.

We have experienced reductions even though our enrollment has increased. The parent group has raised substantial \$ to pay for basic needs-there is no more fat!

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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Hearing committee name

committee on HB230 bill/subject dated March 16, 1995

Don't pass house bill 230 due to the fact that the education level in Kodiak is not adequate to the needs of a larger student body. Classes are big enough as it is and can't handle a bigger capacity of students without the financial aid from the legislature. I ~~strongly~~ am strongly against HB230 and I encourage you all to vote against it.

Signed: Melissa Dorman

Testifier

Student at Kodiak High

Representing (Optional)

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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Affairs committee name

committee on HB 230 dated March 16, 1995
bill/subject

To whom it may concern:

My concern as a student is that Bill 230 should not be passed. This would drop funding of many programs that kids here in Alaska need to keep them busy. Teachers work hard and need their jobs. \$61,000.00 to \$57,000.00 that drop would be detrimental to my and my classmates education.

Do not pass HB 230 !!!!!!

Signed: Sarah Dneastor
Testifier

Kodiak Highschool
Representing (Optional)

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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House floor
committee name
 committee on HB-230 dated March 11, 1995
bill/subject

Please Don't pass bill HB-230, It will greatly affect my education and my ability to be accepted to the Air Force Academy. I think that Alaska is a great place to recieve a good education and with the budget cuts, education levels will definateley go down severely. Our high school need extra money not only for extra-curricular activities but for our academic activities as well. I urge you to vote against HB-230.

Signed: Michelle J. Taber
Testifier
Student At Kodiak High School.
Representing (Optional)
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957-487-9771



Alaska State Legislature

House Hess

Please enter into the record my testimony to the _____ committee name

committee on HB 230 dated 3/16/95
bill/subject

Please do not pass HB 230, regarding our school classes. ~~They are~~ A cutting of the moneys from \$61,000 to \$57,000 is drastic. It will greatly affect my education. And no new moneys on newly enrolled students will hurt our learning. Also, our school's students are very athletic, we wouldn't want to see the budget drop, we'll never be able to compete on mainland.

Signed: *Jessica M. Wisch*
Testifier

Kodiak High School Student Body
Representing (Optional)

1326 A Ismailov
Address

(907) 486-2869



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the

House of Representatives

committee name

committee on

HB 230

bill/subject

dated

March 16, 1995

In regards to the House Bill 230, I truly feel that this bill should not be passed. If this bill is passed, it will decrease our means of education. It will also cut the budget in our club and sports programs. These students at Kodiak High School keep involved in the school through these programs. If these clubs and sports are cut, there will more students doing things they shouldn't be doing. So please take in consideration my opinion on the House Bill 230 and not pass it.

Signed:

Bernardina F. Rosales

Testifier

Kodiak High School Student Body

Representing (Optional)

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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the

House - Hess
committee name

committee on HB230
bill/subject

dated March 16, 1995

Concerning HB230, I am strictly against it. I encourage you to vote against this bill because it will greatly affect the education of the students at our school district. Parents already have a hard time getting an education in a class room of thirty students and more.

Signed:

Shirley Ranta
Testifier

KODIAK HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT BODY
Representing (Optional)

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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Class committee name
 committee on HB 230 dated 3/16/95
 bill/subject

As a parent of four students
 in the Kodiak School District

I strongly urge you to vote
AGAINST HB 230! This would greatly
 affect the education of my children. Class
 size is important to maintain at reasonable
 numbers as well as individual help for all
 students.

Signed: Bob O'Neil
 Testifier

Parents
 Representing (Optional)

Box 3001 Kodiak, AK
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ALASKA COUNCIL OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS

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POSITION STATEMENT

HB 230

"An Act making appropriations to the Department of Education for support of kindergarten, primary, and secondary education and for community schools programs for fiscal year 1996 and fiscal year 1997:....."

The Alaska Council of School Administrators is opposed to HB 230.

Rational: Schools across Alaska have been struggling with the continued demands placed on them. They have had to absorb continuing increased costs in maintenance and operation of the schools. They have had to adjust to the continued reductions in funding from all levels of support for their schools.

Alaska's schools are in a constant state of reform. Whether it is through technology or the development of competency tests and measurements, schools have searched for more effective and meaningful applications to the teaching and learning of young people in this state. Their commitment is to continue that reform as new information is available and finances permit.

Professional educators have participated in the development of performance standards which have been developed on the state level. These standards have become and will continue to be a part of the reform movement across Alaska. Schools across Alaska have had to deal with more complex children within a complex society such as school violence, child abuse, dysfunctional families, and children with drug and alcohol disorders.

It is our belief that the state's budget problems can not be balanced on the children of Alaska. Their education and health and well being must be above and beyond the desire to cut the budget. Instead, we believe we need to look at how we can preserve what we have rather than how we will weaken the opportunities they currently have. The State of Alaska is currently giving wonderful benefits to it's citizens for living in this great state. Through the permanent fund dividend program, the longevity bonus program and the lack of a state income tax, Alaska has created a perception among many people that a democracy does not cost it's citizens anything.

For the past several years, the budget for education has been continually balanced by existing revenue sources. During this same period of time, there has been a constant reminder that at some time in the not too distant future, we all will have to make significant cuts to the budget.

We need to direct our efforts at maintaining the services we are currently offering to our young people. This is accomplished by making some hard decisions regarding the potential revenue stream we have yet to implement rather than how much can we take apart what we have worked so hard to build.

Let us take on the hard issues of generating needed revenue from the dividend program or the longevity program or the implementation of the state income tax. It is time. The future is not a bright future for our young people if we don't.

Stephen T. McPhetres, Executive Director



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House, Health
 committee name
 committee on HB230 , dated March 16, 1995
 bill/subject

On behalf of the Kodiak High School student body, I would like to share my concerns about this bill. Please do not pass HB230. If the school budget decreases it will affect many things that are very important - not only me, but the other students, also.

Signed: Larylie Parrilla
 Testifier
Kodiak High School
 Representing (Optional)
P.O. Box 0359 Kodiak, AK. 99615
 Address



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Heads
 committee name
 committee on HB 230 dated 3-14-95
 bill/subject

To Whom It may Concern:
 Do not pass HB230; cutting the school budget. Our classrooms are packed as it is and there would less of a chance to achieve academic excellence. The elementary schools are also at a maximum and they are the ones that are going to see most of the effects.

Signed: Jucia Nicole Hill
 Testifier

Kodiak Highschool Student
 Representing (Optional)

323 Eskine Kodiak, AK, 99615
 Address

(907) 486-4289 (907) 486-4885



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the

House Affairs

committee name

committee on HB 230

bill/subject

dated March 16, 1995

On behalf of the Kodiak student body I would like to express my feelings toward Bill 230. Please do not pass House Bill 230. Due to our school's capacity and our classrooms size, with this bill, our learning will be cut back. Teachers will be replaced with lesser education abilities. This bill will greatly affect my education to learn as well as the other students and teachers on my island. We may only be an island, but, due to this fact we only have 1 Junior High School and one High School so if you cut this bill for every student we get 1 teacher will be lost. Please on behalf of Kodiak High School do not vote for HB 230.

Signed: Monira Reed

Testifier

KODIAK High School Student

Representing (Optional)

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907-486-2330



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the HOUSE - Hess
committee name

committee on HB 1230 dated March 16, 1995
bill/subject

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to you not only as a student, but also as a very concerned citizen. By passing this bill you will be doing irreparable damage to our future. You will be stunting the learning growth of the current students as well as our future students. This really scares me as a future parent!! This bill not only affects our students, but our teachers too. Our teachers will be losing out on money by teaching here, instead of being able to make a living! Once again, I am urging you not to pass HB 230.

Thank you.

Signed: Diane Moore
Testifier

Student Body & Concerned Citizens
Representing (Optional)

Box 8763 Kodiak, AK 99615
Address

486-2684



The Aleutians East Borough School District

**PO Box 429
Sand Point, Alaska
99661**

March 16, 1995

To: House HISS Committee

From: Chick Beckley, Director of Technology & Area Principal
Aleutians East Borough School District

Re: HB230

Committee members,

I am writing to express my strong opposition and the opposition of parents and the local school boards of False Pass, Cold Bay, and Nelson Lagoon to HB230. The bill effectively decreases the funding for education in the communities. It will result in a decrease in services. The net effect of this decrease in funding will be diminished educational opportunities to our students.

At a time when our state, and nation, are engaged in establishing educational standards, and striving for excellence and accountability, HB230 proposes to severely curtail those efforts. Instead of moving toward schools which will be able to provide students with the skills needed to compete in a rapidly changing and technological world, HB230 proposes to make it ever more difficult even to maintain current programs.

HB230 is not in the best interest of Alaska's children and communities, and not in the best interest of Alaska. We damage only ourselves and our future prospects for productive and competent citizens by reducing educational funding at a time when schools are

already facing tremendous challenges and mandates with regard to educational services

I urge you on behalf of the schools and constituents of our communities to reject the decreases in funding proposed by HB230.

Department of Education
Foundation Program

Columns >>>

	A	B	C	D	E	Column C less Column A	Column C less Column B	Column E less Column A	Column E less Column D
	FY95 Entitlement	Proj. FY96 Entitlement	FY96 prorata at \$59,935	Proj. FY97 Entitlement	FY97 prorata at \$58,720				
ADAK	151,336	-	-	-	-	(151,336)	-	(151,336)	-
ALASKA GATEWAY	4,916,797	4,887,002	4,794,837	4,812,582	4,618,052	(121,960)	(92,165)	(298,745)	(194,530)
ALEUTIAN REGION	563,747	468,929	459,717	395,119	378,156	(104,030)	(9,212)	(185,591)	(16,963)
ALEUTIANS EAST	3,577,702	3,668,008	3,594,363	3,756,458	3,595,490	16,661	(73,645)	17,788	(160,968)
ANCHORAGE	192,541,978	193,378,262	189,230,087	197,679,372	188,638,009	(3,311,891)	(4,148,175)	(3,903,969)	(9,041,363)
ANNETTE ISLANDS	1,373,918	1,590,831	1,544,780	1,648,171	1,547,441	170,862	(46,051)	173,523	(100,730)
BERING STRAIT	14,408,678	16,029,589	15,687,596	16,528,569	15,777,765	1,278,918	(341,993)	1,369,087	(750,804)
BRISTOL BAY	1,522,798	1,607,266	1,564,240	1,626,786	1,533,944	41,442	(43,026)	11,146	(92,842)
CHATHAM	2,432,153	2,570,427	2,513,833	2,605,807	2,483,325	81,680	(56,594)	51,172	(122,482)
CHUGACH	1,602,079	1,702,254	1,670,283	1,707,134	1,638,506	68,204	(31,971)	36,427	(68,628)
COPPER RIVER	5,216,868	5,083,704	4,993,499	5,066,014	4,873,559	(223,369)	(90,205)	(343,309)	(192,455)
CORDOVA	2,581,326	2,526,337	2,468,944	2,562,937	2,438,700	(112,382)	(57,393)	(142,626)	(124,237)
CRAIG	2,275,901	2,238,425	2,194,685	2,315,895	2,219,360	(81,216)	(43,740)	(56,541)	(96,535)
DELTA/GREELY	5,646,127	5,345,312	5,235,873	5,198,302	4,969,504	(410,254)	(109,439)	(676,623)	(228,798)
DENALI	3,046,313	3,165,755	3,104,794	3,229,195	3,096,317	58,481	(60,961)	50,004	(132,878)
DILLINGHAM	2,944,758	3,181,710	3,113,390	3,185,370	3,038,971	168,632	(68,320)	94,213	(146,399)
FAIRBANKS	72,756,477	73,441,843	72,003,603	74,649,643	71,525,450	(752,874)	(1,438,240)	(1,231,027)	(3,124,193)
GALENA	1,386,517	1,633,032	1,599,570	1,853,852	1,773,961	213,053	(33,462)	387,444	(79,891)
HAINES	2,055,774	2,148,434	2,101,627	2,197,844	2,095,791	45,853	(46,807)	40,017	(102,053)
HOONAH	1,861,376	2,033,340	1,995,447	2,051,030	1,969,246	134,071	(37,893)	107,870	(81,784)
HYDABURG	974,863	977,600	960,049	974,550	937,090	(14,814)	(17,551)	(37,773)	(37,460)
IDITAROD	5,021,515	5,383,540	5,279,106	5,665,970	5,431,837	257,591	(104,434)	410,322	(234,133)
JUNEAU	22,477,537	21,620,872	21,119,896	21,470,202	20,403,322	(1,357,641)	(500,976)	(2,074,215)	(1,066,880)
KAKE	1,285,536	1,234,626	1,210,504	1,235,236	1,183,571	(75,032)	(24,122)	(101,965)	(51,665)
KASHUNAMIUT	1,728,969	1,992,534	1,952,863	2,085,864	1,997,446	223,894	(39,671)	268,477	(88,418)
KENAI	44,172,161	45,572,050	44,528,350	47,060,450	44,770,418	356,189	(1,043,700)	598,257	(2,290,032)
KETCHIKAN	9,622,006	9,538,838	9,303,377	9,568,118	9,062,938	(318,629)	(235,461)	(559,068)	(505,180)
KLAWOCK	1,507,424	1,538,094	1,508,881	1,571,034	1,507,262	1,457	(29,213)	(162)	(63,772)
KODIAK	14,064,184	13,980,967	13,682,767	13,891,297	13,256,249	(381,417)	(298,200)	(807,935)	(635,048)
KUSPUK	4,759,302	5,153,104	5,053,143	5,209,224	4,993,126	293,841	(99,961)	233,824	(216,098)
LAKE AND PENINSUL/	6,741,477	6,629,909	6,503,664	6,626,249	6,356,115	(237,813)	(126,245)	(385,362)	(270,134)
LOWER KUSKOKWIM	32,863,715	34,598,211	33,911,446	36,891,201	35,335,238	1,047,731	(686,765)	2,471,523	(1,555,963)
LOWER YUKON	11,558,409	13,909,963	13,608,174	14,543,753	13,873,980	2,049,765	(301,789)	2,315,571	(669,773)
MAT-SU	55,397,110	59,695,528	58,502,962	63,467,158	60,773,087	3,105,852	(1,192,566)	5,375,977	(2,694,071)
NENANA	1,497,731	1,579,050	1,550,295	1,599,790	1,537,455	52,564	(28,755)	39,724	(62,335)
NOME	4,724,803	4,436,072	4,349,008	4,264,052	4,084,092	(375,795)	(87,064)	(640,711)	(179,960)
NORTH SLOPE	10,066,016	10,143,860	9,863,286	10,702,620	10,081,069	(202,730)	(280,574)	15,053	(621,551)
NORTHWEST ARCTIC	16,268,410	16,430,911	16,102,028	16,749,941	16,033,930	(166,382)	(328,883)	(234,480)	(716,011)

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PELICAN	544,061	553,514	542,875	557,174	534,260	(1,186)	(10,639)	(9,801)	(22,914)
PETERSBURG	3,196,745	3,205,611	3,135,374	3,323,341	3,168,575	(61,371)	(70,237)	(28,170)	(154,766)
PRIBILOF	1,710,468	1,783,135	1,745,306	1,867,925	1,783,770	34,838	(37,829)	73,302	(84,155)
SITKA	6,923,549	6,824,882	6,667,241	6,647,372	6,316,521	(256,308)	(157,641)	(607,028)	(330,851)
SKAGWAY	696,726	706,706	688,069	664,006	625,702	(8,657)	(18,637)	(71,024)	(38,304)
SOUTHEAST	4,194,007	4,025,197	3,946,632	3,714,097	3,557,529	(247,375)	(78,565)	(636,478)	(156,568)
SOUTHWEST	5,713,680	6,570,578	6,436,505	6,954,268	6,652,898	722,825	(134,073)	939,218	(301,370)
ST. MARY'S	1,182,937	1,015,273	995,475	983,553	942,353	(187,462)	(19,798)	(240,584)	(41,200)
TANANA	1,109,422	1,110,997	1,089,495	1,110,997	1,064,964	(19,927)	(21,502)	(44,458)	(46,033)
UNALASKA	1,680,423	1,749,247	1,700,971	1,788,287	1,683,475	20,548	(48,276)	3,052	(104,812)
VALDEZ	3,289,736	3,388,504	3,297,649	3,431,204	3,235,101	7,913	(90,855)	(54,635)	(196,103)
WRANGELL	2,638,591	2,616,324	2,560,284	2,676,714	2,554,483	(78,307)	(56,040)	(84,108)	(122,231)
YAKUTAT	1,290,931	1,239,920	1,215,915	1,257,000	1,204,970	(75,016)	(24,005)	(85,961)	(52,030)
YUKON FLATS	5,428,884	5,648,541	5,538,558	5,812,021	5,570,455	109,674	(109,983)	141,571	(241,566)
YUKON/KOYUKUK	6,884,158	6,987,850	6,847,866	7,028,110	6,726,922	(36,292)	(139,984)	(157,236)	(301,188)
YUPIIT	3,769,090	4,078,749	3,991,983	4,097,659	3,911,201	222,893	(86,766)	142,111	(186,458)
STATE CCS	3,573,655	3,808,383	3,741,892	3,928,126	3,781,304	168,238	(66,491)	207,650	(146,822)
Mt. EDGE CUMBE	1,810,784	1,586,000	1,558,310	1,518,290	1,461,541	(252,474)	(27,690)	(349,243)	(56,749)
Other	4,442,816	5,386,260	5,376,642	5,386,260	5,332,213	933,826	(9,618)	889,397	(54,047)
TOTALS	\$627,674,453	643,401,860	629,938,009	659,393,193	629,938,009	2,263,556	(13,463,851)	\$2,263,556	(\$29,455,184)

This spreadsheet estimates foundation entitlements for fiscal years 1996 and 1997. The 1997 estimates include an adjustment to the instructional units based on the average change in units for a two year period, FY94 to FY95 and FY95 to projected FY96. The 1997 estimates do not include adjustments for changes in required local effort or impact aid deductions.

TO: Representative Mark Hanley, Co-chair Finance Committee
FAX: 907-465-2418

FROM: Shirley J. Bishop, Legislative Liaison *SJB*
Unalaska City School Board
FAX: 907-581-3434

DATE: April 11, 1995

RE: HB 230

I urge you to oppose HB 230 and to support full funding for education of Alaska's children. Contrary to what some legislators believe, Alaskans do not want the state budget balanced at the expense of our children's education.

Our schools in Unalaska have grown an average of 12% with a total growth of 58% in the past 5 years. HB 230 allows no additional funds for additional students, and keeps education funding for FY 96 & 97 at the FY 95 level. Combined with the effect that other bills under Legislative consideration might have if enacted, this will cause us to cut programs for children as well as staff positions.

The City of Unalaska has many infrastructure needs as well. Urban legislators need to understand this when they attempt to redistribute our local Education dollars into urban schools. Is the Legislature going to "level the playing field" by supporting City of Unalaska infrastructure projects so that monies are available locally for educating our children?

I respectfully request that you support full funding @ the \$61,000 Instruction Unit for Education and that you oppose HB 230.

Thank you for your consideration.



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"Citizens promoting environmentally safe operation of the Alyeska terminal and associated tankers."

April 11, 1995

Representative Mark Hanley, Co-Chair
 Representative Richard Foster, Co-Chair
 House Finance Committee
 State Capitol
 Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

Dear Representatives Hanley and Foster,

I am writing in support of House Bill 233, which among others, would extend the Hazardous Substance Spill Technology Review Council (HSSTRC). The RCAC's mission is "citizens promoting the environmentally safe operation of the Alyeska terminal and associated tankers." RCAC is certified as an alternative council under Section 5002 of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990. The work of the RCAC is guided by its contract with the Alyeska Pipeline Service Company and the Oil Pollution Act of 1990. RCAC has 18 member organizations representing communities and boroughs impacted by the 1989 Exxon Valdez oil spill, as well as commercial fishing groups, Alaska Native interests, and environmental, aquaculture and business organizations. The HSSTRC was created after the Exxon Valdez oil spill and was a recommendation of the Alaska Oil Spill Commission. The purpose of the Council is to address through research the severe lack of oil spill technology encountered following the Exxon Valdez spill.

Since that time, the HSSTRC has successfully led or cooperated in numerous research projects. These include, in FY 93, projects on remote sensing, chemical product protocol testing, and in situ burning. In FY 94, HSSTRC co-sponsored with CISPRI a workshop on oil in broken ice; and in FY 95, projects include emergency cargo pumping system; oil remediation in ice using biosurfactants, freshwater biodegradation of oil, and small vessel and harbor refueling spill prevention. Each of these are important projects to enhance Alaska's ability to address its responsibilities as a developer, producer, transporter, and user of petroleum products.

We request your support of HB 233 and the HSSTRC.

Sincerely,

William M. Walker, President

c.c.

House Finance Committee Members
 Commissioner Gene Burden, DEC
 Gary Bader, Alyeska Citizens' Group Liaison Manager
 Paul Richards, Alyeska Corporate Affairs
 RCAC Directors