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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

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Date: Referred to Committee: April 29, 1995

FURTHER REFERRALS:

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Date of Committee Action: _____

The FINANCE Committee considered:

CSSB 80(FIN)

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 89(FIN)

MUNICIPAL POLICE SERVICES

"An Act relating to police protection service areas in certain unified municipalities; and to police protection provided by the state in certain municipal areas."

recommends it be replaced with the following committee substitute _____ 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)

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zero fiscal note(s) _____

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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1996 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO: CSSB 80(FIN)

Revision Date: April 17, 1996
 Title: Municipal Police Services
 Sponsor: Senator Rieger
 Requestor: H. Finance

Dept. Affected: Public Safety
 BRU: Alaska State Troopers
 Component: Detachments
COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 0799

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars) (inflation not included)

OPERATING	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
CAPITAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
CHANGE IN REVENUES ()	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Revenue Code						

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program						
1006 GF/MHTIA						
Other						
TOTAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

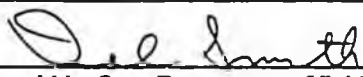
Estimate of current year (FY 96) impact: \$ _____

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
PART-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

This bill will not have a fiscal impact on the Department of Public Safety.

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SB 80 does not require the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to do anything differently than is currently being done. Only in the event a service area requests Trooper services will there be a fiscal impact. Accordingly, a zero fiscal note is submitted. The Department is unable to calculate actual costs as the size service area plays a part in determining the level of coverage to be provided by the troopers.

This bill allows residents within a unified municipality to form police service areas that would contract with the Department of Public Safety for trooper police service.

Interested residents within a proposed service area would circulate a petition to gather signatures. The petition must include the boundaries of the proposed service area as well as the additional trooper services to be provided by the Department of Public Safety. Upon receipt of a petition containing at least 10% of the voters living in the proposed area, the municipal clerk will submit it to the Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety. The Commissioner will notify the clerk of the estimated costs to provide the specified trooper services within the proposed area for a three-year period.

An election will be held to determine whether a police protection service area should be formed, and to approve of the related costs. If a majority votes to approve the proposition, the Commissioner will be required to provide those services to the area. The governing body will levy assessments in the area and make the required payments to the Commissioner.

The bill also provides that at least once every three years, the election process is repeated to determine if the service area should be continued. The Commissioner is required to provide revised cost estimates at that time.

This bill requires several processes to be completed prior to the Department of Public Safety being impacted. Since these conditions are dependent on the petition and election process, the Department of Public Safety anticipates no immediate fiscal impact at this time.

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Senate Bill 80

**An Act relating to police protection service areas in unified municipalities;
and to police protection provided by the state in certain municipal areas.**

Sponsor Statement

SB80 is a measure which will increase local self-determination and provide relief to the state operating budget.

The Department Of Public Safety has a responsibility to provide, among other things, state trooper police protection for the citizenry of the state. In some areas of the state there is a desire and willingness to *pay* for such trooper protection, in order to elevate the amount of coverage. In such a situation both the residents of the area and the department benefit, as there is budget relief for the department, and better service for the area.

SB 80 applies specifically to areas within unified municipalities. It sets forth a mechanism an area to petition for additional trooper protection services, receive a statement of the full cost of all trooper coverage in the area, and then vote it in and pay for it.

This bill represents good government at its best. It allows a citizenry which desires a service, and is willing to pay for it, a way to accomplish their goals. Even areas which are not within the area desiring such service benefit, as the budget pressures on the Department Of Public Safety are lessened and more service can be provided to the rest of the state.

**SOUTHEAST ANCHORAGE
LAW ENFORCEMENT SURVEY
SUMMARY OF RESULTS
February 10, 1992**

Attached is the summary of results of a law enforcement survey conducted in southeast Anchorage in January 1992.

The intent of the survey was to obtain as much feedback as possible on what southeast Anchorage residents want in police protection related to levels of service, costs, and providers, in order that direction would be available to the task force and to elected officials.

The survey was prepared by the Southeast Anchorage Police Protection Task Force, organized in October 1991 to explore alternatives for law enforcement in southeast Anchorage and to work toward alternatives which can be supported by the residents and which may be recommended to elected officials and voters in southeast Anchorage. The task force is composed of representatives of each of the southeast Anchorage community councils and HALO, Inc., a southeast Anchorage homeowners and landowners' organization. The contact for the task force is Maribeth Brown, Chair, 345-1468.

The survey was mailed to 10,546 households in southeast Anchorage. The mailing labels were obtained from Motznik Computer Services, Inc., from lists of registered voters in southeast Anchorage who voted in any 1990 or 1991 election or who have registered to vote since October 6, 1990. (Where two or more registered voters with the same last name were shown at the same address, one collectively-addressed form was sent.)

A total of 2,067 responses were received as of January 31.

Responses are summarized in total and are also subtotaled by community council.

(Review copies of survey results by Community Council area are available from your Community Council and at Samson-Diamond Library.)

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RESULTS OF 2,067 RESPONSES

1. Response totals by community council district:

Question: Please circle the Community Council District in which you live (the attached map indicates those areas)

Abbott Loop	466	Glen Alps	17	Mid-Hillside	295
Basher	21	Hillside East	182	Rabbit Creek	355
Bear Valley	43	Huff-O'Malley	578	Don't Know/missing	110

2. Types of law enforcement identified by respondents as important*:

Question: What types of law enforcement do you see as important for you and your family? Please give a score for each to show how important you think each service is (3=very important, 2=somewhat important, 1=not important)

*Percentages may not total 100% due to rounding

a) respond to and investigate serious crimes, accidents with injury, crimes in progress

very important	1,935	(94%)
somewhat important	55	(3%)
not important	39	(2%)
no response	34	(2%)

b) conduct regular neighborhood patrols

very important	459	(22%)
somewhat important	779	(38%)
not important	773	(37%)
no response	56	(3%)

c) investigate civil problems, noise/nuisance, disorderly conduct, non-motor vehicle accidents, run-away juveniles

very important	438	(21%)
somewhat important	995	(48%)
not important	571	(28%)
no response	63	(3%)

d) investigate non-violent crimes (e.g., burglary, theft, criminal mischief, trespass, embezzlement) with no immediate suspect

very important	834	(40%)
somewhat important	964	(47%)
not important	221	(11%)
no response	48	(2%)

e) conduct routine traffic patrols and enforcement

very important	409	(20%)
somewhat important	748	(36%)
not important	851	(41%)
no response	60	(3%)

f) establish and support community service programs, such as Neighborhood Watch Program, School Liaison Program

very important	398	(19%)
somewhat important	780	(38%)
not important	817	(40%)
no response	72	(4%)

3. Highest taxes respondents willing to pay for law enforcement indicated as "very important" and "somewhat important" in above question.

Question: What is the most you are willing to pay for the law enforcement you have indicated as "very important" and "somewhat important" in question 2? Please check one.

\$0	213	(10%)
\$100 per \$100,000 assessed value	655	(32%)
\$200 per \$100,000 assessed value	516	(25%)
\$300 per \$100,000 assessed value	302	(15%)
\$400 per \$100,000 assessed value	247	(12%)
no response	135	(7%)

4. Respondents' satisfaction with level of law enforcement in area (after 11-1-91):

Question: Rate your satisfaction with the current (after November 1, 1991) level of law enforcement in your area (the information sheet describes those services). Please check one.

very satisfied	313	(15%)
satisfied	480	(23%)
neutral	574	(28%)
dissatisfied	421	(20%)
very dissatisfied	236	(11%)
no response	43	(2%)

5. Law enforcement agency generally preferred by respondents.

Question: Check the law enforcement agency that you generally prefer for your area.

Alaska State Troopers	1,076	(52%)
Anchorage Police Dept	272	(13%)
It doesn't matter to me	687	(33%)
no response	32	(2%)

6. Respondents' support for law enforcement service alternatives:

Question: Please indicate your support by circling yes or no for each of the following alternatives for law enforcement. (Options a) and b) are the only ones currently available to southeast Anchorage. If high interest is shown in any of the other options, the task force will pursue their legal and political possibilities.)

alternative	yes	no	no response
a) Anchorage Police Dept. at \$380 per \$100,000 assessed value (Oct 1991 ballot)	433 (21%)	1,501 (73%)	131 (6%)
b) Leave things as they are now	618 (30%)	1,264 (61%)	185 (9%)
c) Seek a separate service area using State Troopers, supported by taxes (but lower than \$380 per \$100,000 assessed value)	1,246 (60%)	620 (30%)	201 (10%)
d) Seek a separate service area using State Troopers supported by taxes (but lower than \$380 per \$100,000 assessed value), with a further contribution to the APD of no more than \$50 per \$100,000 assessed value for services we receive from APD when travelling downtown and for APD emergency backup to the Troopers in Southeast Anchorage	749 (36%)	1,094 (53%)	224 (11%)
e) Seek a separate service area using the APD, supported by taxes (but lower than \$380 per \$100,000 assessed value)	732 (35%)	1,108 (54%)	227 (11%)
f) Gradually phase into APD to full service and cost	428 (21%)	1,364 (66%)	275 (13%)