

**HB**

**506**

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)

Date Referred to Committee: February 12, 1996

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Finance

Date of Committee Action: 3/26/96

The HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES Committee considered:

HB 506

HOUSE BILL NO. 506

UNIVERSITY FIRE FIGHTING PROGRAM

"An Act relating to establishment of a fire fighting and safety training program by the University of Alaska."

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)

fiscal note(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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zero fiscal note(s) University

zero fiscal note(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**SPONSOR STATEMENT**

**DATE:** March 8, 1996

**TO:** Representative Cynthia Toohy & Representative Con Bunde  
Co-Chairs of Health Education & Social Services

**FROM:** Representative Mike Navarre, G. Davis, Phillips *Gail*

**SUBJECT:** House Bill 506, An Act relating to the establishment of a fire training and safety training program by the University of Alaska.

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House Bill 506 is a measure that enables the University of Alaska to establish and locate a fire training and safety training institute on the Kenai Peninsula. The institute will have instructional facilities, an administrative office and an information office.

Close to thirty years ago the Kenai Peninsula fire training program originated from the Cook Inlet Supervisors Fire Training School. The University of Alaska developed and operated several training sites throughout the state until 1988, when environmental concerns forced a redesign and reappraisal of fire training services for industry. In 1980 the fire training program adopted a name change and a more sophisticated and diverse program of instruction. The name adopted was the Mining and Petroleum Training Service (MAPTS).

The program was started to fill a need for local and statewide fire training necessary for fulfilling the national certification requirements. Over the years MAPTS has evolved into a world class training facility which, in addition to its training curriculum, it can design, develop and deliver customized programs for a client.

This legislation will provide a certain amount of autonomy for MAPTS which means more control of the receipts generated, which in turn ensures the program will stay on the cutting edge of fire and mining safety training programs. The recognition of the program enables the program administrator to have more impact in the direction and operation of MAPTS.



**Mining And Petroleum Training Service**  
University of Alaska Anchorage  
The College of Career and Vocational Education

MAPTS provides mandatory, regulatory and site specific training and development statewide throughout Alaska, the lower 48, the Caribbean and the Russian Far East with the mission of providing timely, professional and cost-effective training and development services to business, industry, and government.

During the past 16 years, MAPTS has concentrated on mandatory training programs and worker certification in Industrial Fire Brigade Training, Hydrogen Sulfide Safety & Response, Oil Spill Response Training, Hazardous Materials and Emergency Response, Hazardous Waste Operator Training, Health & Safety for Oilfield Workers, Asbestos Abatement Worker programs, Asbestos Awareness Training, Hazard Communications, Rig Safety Orientation, Well Control Certification, Respiratory Protection, Mine Safety and Health Training, Surface and Underground Mine Rescue, Helicopter Safety & Survival, Explosives and Blasting, Alaska Outdoor Survival, and Cold Weather/Cold Water Survival.

In addition, MAPTS designs, develops and delivers site specific training according to the special needs of the client. Utilizing the resources of the University of Alaska, State Vocational-Technical Centers and various international training organizations, desired training courses and programs can be rapidly developed and delivered in the most cost-effective manner possible. MAPTS was recently designated as the sole provider of site specific PSM training for companies contracted to ARCO Cook Inlet and Kuparuk operations.

The Kenai fire training facility is designed to eliminate the need for burn permits and ventilation factors. It produces no objectionable smoke or discharges and provides for a maximum degree of safety and realism. The facility operates under strict NFPA curriculum standards for Incipient, Exterior and Interior fire fighters. The final detail required is the completion and installation of the interior burn prop to allow the full advanced interior certification. The facility has two fire trucks and ample extinguishers, fixed stream devices and PPE to implement the full NFPA curriculum.

Fire training is conducted according to individual company requirements typically with a mix of employer instructors and local Kenai fire department assistance and backup. Each company selects the portions of the NFPA curriculum applicable to their facility and has the ability to determine the evolutions required and therefore the cost of the training.

During FY96, MAPTS expects to train between 5000 and 6000 Alaskan workers.

**FISCAL NOTE**

**STATE OF ALASKA  
1996 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

**BILL NO. HB 506**

Revision Date:  
Title: An Act relating to establishment of a fire fighting and safety  
program by the University of Alaska  
Sponsor: Reps. Navarre, G. Davis, Phillips  
Requestor:

Department Affected: **University of Alaska**  
BRU: **UAA**  
Component: **Anchorage Campus**

**COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 753**

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

OPERATING	FY97	FY98	FY99	FY00	FY01	FY02
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

<b>CAPITAL</b>						
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<b>REVENUE FD SOURCE</b>						
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**FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)**

1002 FEDERAL FUNDS						
1003 GF MATCH						
1004 GENERAL FUND						
1006 GF/MHTIA						
OTHER						
<b>TOTAL FUNDING</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

<b>POSITIONS:</b>						
FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: None

**ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)**

This bill establishes an institute on the Kenai Peninsula for fire fighting and safety training, and allows the institute to charge fees for the services it provides. This function and authority already exists as an budget component of the Anchorage Campus, and as such there are no incremental costs associated with this bill. To the extent possible, this program is self-supporting. FY95 actual costs of the existing programs were \$817.0, of which \$293.5 came from the general fund and \$523.5 from university receipts and other non-GF sources. The FY96 budget for the program includes \$312.3 in general funds and \$2,097.8 in non-general fund authority.

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# Alaska State Legislature

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I fully support House Bill 506  
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I fully support the passage  
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