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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)

Date Referred to Committee: March 23, 1998

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Finance

Date of Committee Action: 4/28/98

The HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES Committee considered:

CSSCR 11(FIN)

CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1(FIN)

LONG-TERM CARE TASK FORCE

Creating the Long-Term Care Task Force.

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) _____

fiscal note(s) LAA / 3-4-98

zero fiscal note(s) _____

zero fiscal note(s) C+ED / 3-4-98,
Governor / 3/4/98

SIGNING WITH RECOMMENDATIONS	DP	DNP	NR	AM
<i>Paul Dwyer</i>	✓			
<i>Joseph ...</i>	✓			
<i>Car Bunker</i>	✓			
<i>Bryan A. Porter</i>	✓			
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Senate Finance Committee

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SPONSOR STATEMENT

CSSCR-11(Fin)

BY: SENATOR BERT SHARP

AS ALASKA'S SENIOR COMMUNITY GROWS, IT IS NECESSARY THAT WE PLAN FOR THE LONG-TERM CARE AND NEEDS OF THESE CITIZENS.

WHILE IT IS THE DESIRABLE GOAL OF MOST FAMILIES TO PROVIDE HOME CARE FOR THEIR ELDERLY PARENTS, THE REALITY IS THAT MOST WILL LIVE IN A LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY. EITHER WAY, THE COSTS OF PROVIDING LONG-TERM CARE IS BECOMING INSURMOUNTABLE TO THE STATE AND TO OUR PRIVATE CITIZENS.

IN AN EFFORT TO ASSURE OUR SENIOR CITIZENS ARE GETTING THE BEST CARE POSSIBLE, THE LEGISLATURE, IN 1996, ESTABLISHED A WORKING GROUP TO ANALYZE LONG-TERM CARE SERVICES AVAILABLE IN THE STATE AND THEIR PROJECTED COSTS.

SCR-11 WILL CREATE A LONG-TERM CARE TASK FORCE. THEIR MISSION IS TO REVIEW THE FINDINGS OF THE WORKING GROUP AND TO DEVELOP AN EQUITABLE PLAN FOR PROVIDING AN ACTUARIALLY SOUND AND AFFORDABLE LONG-TERM CARE OPTIONS FOR ALL OF ALASKA'S SENIOR CITIZENS .

I URGE YOUR SUPPORT IN PASSING THIS VERY IMPORTANT AND NECESSARY RESOLUTION. THANK YOU.

Sponsor Statement



Alaska Chapter

Someone to Stand by You

January 31, 1998

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Senator Bert Sharp
State Capitol
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Dear Senator Sharp;

I am writing this letter as the Public Policy Chair of the Alzheimer's Association Alaska Chapter and as a private citizen with parents who reside in a long term care facility. We would like to state our support of senate concurrent resolution 11, creating the Long-Term Care Task Force. It is our mission at the Alzheimer's Association to provide for all Alaskan's affected by the disease and related disorders, a way to manage with dignity and comfort until we find a cure. While it is our goal and the goal of most families to provide for that care in the private home for as long as possible, it is also a reality that some will live in a long term care facility as my parents are doing.

With the reality of the demographics of baby boomers and the estimated statistics of 6500 Alaskans with ADRD (Alzheimer's disease and related disorders) by the year 2010 (see attachment), it seems obvious this task force is needed in our state. We support having a Long-Term Care Plan in place as soon as possible.

It is obvious from your sponsorship of this resolution, that you and Senator Duncan are friends of the elderly, we look to you both as allies in reaching our goals for maintaining the dignity and comfort of those suffering from ADRD.

Sincerely,

Mary H. Weymiller
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Public Policy Chair
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Cc: Senator Duncan
Alaska Chapter Alzheimer's Assoc.

Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association, Inc.

STATE OF ALASKA

TONY KNOWLES, GOVERNOR

STATE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL

March 3, 1997.

Senator Bert Sharp
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Dear Senator Sharp:

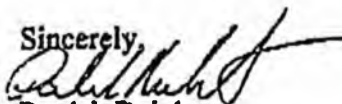
The State Independent Living Council is in support of Senate Concurrent Resolution #11, "Creating a Long-Term Care Task Force". As a council representing the interests of persons with disabilities, especially those persons with disabilities being housed in nursing homes against their will, we supported the effort to place a moratorium on the building of any more nursing home beds two years ago and the establishment of the working group charged with providing a report on long term care. We have reviewed that report and are anxious to begin working on some needed changes in our long term care system.

We understand the need of establishing a Long-Term Care Task Force to further define the State's solution. However, we also feel that our brothers and sisters with disabilities living in nursing homes today, in which there are dozens, would be horrified to see the State embark on yet another study to investigate the problem and define the solution. Our friends want out now, and the State of Alaska has been "foot dragging" on this issue for much too long.

*Therefore, we suggest passing this resolution with an added continued moratorium on any more nursing home beds while the state continues to "study" the problem. (In Vermont they did something similar, but put in benchmarks for decrease in long-term care beds). We also suggest the Task Force be charged with interviewing all persons with disabilities living in nursing homes currently, and that a plan of release into community based, independent living situations be developed for each and every person wishing to make this transition. This, in itself, would do more to push the long-term care system into a new and better mode of thinking. The SILC, with our partner Centers for Independent Living around the State, would welcome the opportunity to work cooperatively on this endeavor with this Task Force. Furthermore, *the SILC would also welcome the opportunity to recommend a member to serve on this Task Force.**

Thank you and should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 269-3571.

Sincerely,



Patrick Reinhart
Executive Director

CC. Senator Gary Wilken, Chair, Senate HESS
Members of Senate HESS Committee



Alaska Commission on Aging

RESOLUTION 98-10

In Support of SCR 11 - Creating the Long-Term Care Task Force.

WHEREAS in the last ten years Alaska has made remarkable progress in some regions in establishing an effective home and community-based long-term care network; and

WHEREAS this network is complemented in some regions by the presence of residential care in the form of assisted living homes including the Pioneers' Homes, and nursing homes; and

WHEREAS appropriate and locally available long-term care is fundamental to the physical, and mental well-being of all Alaskans of all ages; and

WHEREAS in some regions of the State Alaskans must still leave their home community and region to receive long-term care; and

WHEREAS with the rapid growth in the numbers of Alaskans choosing to make Alaska their lifelong home, some 80,000 Alaskans will be age 65+ by the year 2015, in comparison to some 28,000 Alaskans who were this age in 1995; and

WHEREAS the cost of long-term care profoundly affects the economic well-being of most Alaskans and thus of the State of Alaska;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Commission on Aging supports the intent of SCR 11 which establishes a Long Term Care Task Force and strongly encourages its passage, with appropriate funding to carry out the mission of the task force.

Adopted this 3rd day of March, 1998.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Donald M. Hoover".

Donald Hoover, Chair

cc:Mail for: Senator Bert Sharp

Subject: <No subject>

From: fbappel@eagle.ptialaska.net (Frank Appel) at CC2MHS1 02/18/98 2:15 PM

To: Senator Bert Sharp at LAA_SSHA

Dear Senator Sharp:

I support Senate Concurrent Resolution 11 to create a Long-Term Care Task Force. Alaska has a growing community of seniors. It is important that we plan for the long-term care needs of these individuals.

Thank you,

Frank B. Appel

FISCAL NOTE No. 3

STATE OF ALASKA
1998 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Bill Version: CS SCR 11 (HES)
(S) Publish Date: 3-4-98

Revision Date (Note if correction) _____ Dept. Affected Commerce and Economic Development
 Title Creating the Long-Term Care Task Force BRU Executive Administration and Development
 Component Commissioner's Office
 Sponsor Sharp, Duncan
 Requester HESS, Finance Component Serial No. 1027

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 99	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03	FY 04
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()						
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

FUND SOURCE	FY 99	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03	FY 04
1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type)						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY98) cost: _____

POSITIONS

POSITIONS	FY 99	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03	FY 04
Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

The Commissioner or designee of Department of Commerce and Economic Development will make every effort possible to participate in the task force in coordination with other travel and meetings.

Prepared by Tom Lawson, Director
 Division Division of Administrative Services
 Approved by Commissioner *John P. HESS*
 Agency Commerce and Economic Development

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 Date 2/27/98
 Date 2/27/98

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FISCAL NOTE

No. 2

STATE OF ALASKA
1998 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BI Bill Version: CS SCR 11 (HES)

(S) Publish Date: 3-4-98

Revision Date _____	Dept. Affected <u>Office of the Governor</u>
Title <u>"Creating the Long-Term Care Task Force"</u>	BRU <u>Executive Operations</u>
Sponsor <u>Senators Sharp, Duncan</u>	Component <u>Executive Office</u>
Requester <u>Senate HESS</u>	Component Serial No. <u>6</u>

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 99	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03	FY 04
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()						
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

FUND SOURCE	FY 99	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03	FY 04
1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type)						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY98) cost: 0.0

POSITIONS

POSITIONS	FY 99	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03	FY 04
Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Selection by the Governor of the three public members for this legislative task force will have no fiscal impact on the Executive Office.

Traditionally, costs associated with task force/members activity is budgeted by the agency or branch housing the task force. This fiscal note assumes that this legislative task force will be administratively supported by Legislative Affairs. This fiscal note further assumes that the travel/per diem costs for the public members are included in the Legislative Affairs fiscal note.

Prepared by <u>Michael A. Nizich, Administrative Director</u>	Phone <u>465-3876</u>
Division <u>Administrative Services</u>	Date <u>2/27/98</u>
Approved by <u>Jim Ayers, Chief of Staff</u>	Date <u>2/27/98</u>
Agency <u>Office of the Governor</u>	

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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1998 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

NO No. 1
 BILL Bill Version: CS SCR 11 (HES)
 PU (S) Publish Date: 3-4-98

Revision Date: _____
 Title: "Creating the Long-Term Care Task Force."
 Sponsor: Senator Sharp
 Requestor: Senate HESS

Department Affected: Legislative Affairs Agency
 BRU: Legislative Council
 Component: Council & Subcommittees

COMPONENT SERIAL NO:

Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 98	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03	FY 04
PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL	17.5	0.0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	3.2	0.0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	0	0	0	0	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	20.7	0.0	0	0	0	0

CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE	0	0	0	0	0	0
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	20.7	0.0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER FUND SOURCE						
TOTAL	20.7	0.0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS:

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

Estimate of current year impact: _____

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)
 CS SCR11(HES) establishes a 9 member Long-Term Care Task Force consisting of 6 Legislators appointed by the Presiding Officers of the Alaska State Legislature. This task force will review recommendations for long-term care, prepare plans, draft legislation, hold public hearings and submit a plan with proposed legislation and funding options to the Governor and the Legislature by the convening of the 1st Regular Session of the Twenty First Alaska State Legislature. The Commissioners of HESS, Commerce, and Administration or their their designees may serve as non voting members on the task force.

Prepared By: Karla Schofield, Deputy Director *Karla Schofield* Phone: 465-3852
 Division: Administrative Services Date: 3/4/98

Approved By: Pamela A. Vami, Executive Director *Karla Schofield for*
 Agency: Legislative Affairs Agency Date: 3/4/98

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CONTINUATION OF FISCAL NOTE: HCR11

Travel

Travel costs for the public members and the Legislative members of the Long-Term Care Task Force are included in this fiscal note. Travel for non voting members from the Executive Branch will be paid for by the Executive Branch if these members travel.

The task force is expected to begin work in FY99 and travel 3 times to hold meetings or public hearings. For purposes of this fiscal note the task force is expected to meet once in Fairbanks, once in Anchorage, once in Juneau.

For the purposes of this fiscal note, the public members of the task force appointed by the Governor are assumed to be 1 from Fairbanks, 1 from Anchorage and 1 from Ketchikan. The Legislators are assumed to be 2 from Anchorage, 2 from Fairbanks, 1 from Ketchikan, and 1 from Juneau. Two days of per diem are calculated for each meeting.

	<u>Per Diem</u>	<u>Travel</u>	
<u>2 Anchorage Meetings</u>			
Anchorage - 1 public members/2 Legislators	-	-	
Fairbanks - 1 public members/2 Legislator	1,278	1,110	
Ketchikan - 1 public member/1 Legislator	852	1,240	
Juneau - 1 Legislator	426	470	
<u>1 Fairbanks Meeting</u>			
Anchorage - 1 public members/2 Legislators	1,086	1,110	
Fairbanks - 1 public members/1 Legislator	-	-	
Ketchikan - 1 public member/1 Legislator	724	1,560	
Juneau - 1 Legislator	362	655	
<u>1 Juneau Meeting</u>			
Anchorage - 1 public members/2 Legislators	1,008	1,410	
Fairbanks - 2 public members/1 Legislator	1,008	1,965	
Ketchikan - 1 public member/1 Legislator	672	580	
Juneau - 1 Legislator	-	-	
Total FY99 Travel	7,416	10,100	TOTAL 17,516

Contractual

	Phones \$100/month	Postage \$60/month	Advertisng \$750/meeting	TOTAL
FY99	600	300	2,250	3,150

Teleconference charges and expenses for printing the report will be absorbed by the Agency.