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SPONSOR STATEMENT HOUSE BILL 437

An Act relating to the reinstatement of Native corporations; and providing for an effective date.

This legislation extends the date to December 31, 2000, that Native village corporations may be reinstated in accordance with State law.

In order to be reinstated, a corporation dissolved under the criteria specified in AS 10.06.633(a)(1-7) must correct all deficiencies, for example back taxes or delinquent annual reports.

AS 10.06.633(e) allows any corporation that has been involuntarily dissolved for two years or less to correct deficiencies and be reinstated. Existing law (AS 10.06.960(k)) offered a window of opportunity for Native Village Corporations involuntarily dissolved for greater than two years to apply for reinstatement, but that opportunity expired on December 31, 1998.

In summary, this legislation would therefore, provide several Native village corporations who have been involuntarily dissolved a short window of opportunity to take care of corporate business matters and once again be viable entities.

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Dear Representative Morgan;

As an original Shareholder of Ohog. Inc., I was very disturbed to find out that the Village Corporation had been dissolved. You are very well aware of the fact that we have elders in our communities who do not speak or read the english language. These elders took it upon themselves to run the Corporation with no knowledge of tax payments or deadlines we have to meet in today's world.

I am very concerned about the dissolution of the Ohog. Inc., because my elders claimed the land they originated from, and use it for subsistence hunting, fishing, and trapping. The land they claimed in ANCSA is in the Lower Yukon, between Marshall and Russian Mission. This area is still used as fishcamps, hunting and berrypicking areas by the shareholders as well as their children and families.

Representative Morgan, it would be tremendous service for you to do something to reinstate the Village Corporation, like HB 471, as this would not only help the shareholders, but would also help the children and their future. This would open windows of opportunities for our future generations, as we are making long term goals to reopen the old Village of Ohogamiut. It is my hope and dream to help our elders see their village come back to life. Thanking you for your time and consideration in this matter. Should you have any questions, please contact me at the above, or at home (907) 679-6513.

Respectfully,



Nick A. Isaac



Charlie Boots

FISCAL NOTE

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Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
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 ()	9.9					
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

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 (FY00) cost: _____

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

The division does not anticipate any negative fiscal impact with passage of this legislation. However, we project that through reinstatement, there will be a one-time fee. The fee will be based on the number of years each entity is delinquent in filing reports, plus penalty and reinstatement fees. We are aware of four Native Village Corporations that might apply for reinstatement under this legislation, but there certainly could more.

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