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SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

REPORTED DATE
APR 29 2003
SENATE FINANCE
COMMITTEE

DATE: 4/22/03

FURTHER:

DATE TURNED
IN TO OFFICE: 29 April 2003

Finance Committee considered

HOUSE BILL NO. 187

HB 187 EXTEND BOARD OF STORAGE TANK ASSISTANCE

"An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Storage Tank Assistance; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends:

- be replaced with _____ CS _____ (_____)
- adopt previous _____ CS _____ (_____)
- attached amendment(s)
- adopt Letter of Intent by _____ Committee
- further referral to _____ Committee

Senate Bill:

- same title
- new title

House Bill:

- same title
- technical title
- new: SCR # _____

NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Zero	FN#

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Zero	FN#
DEC	3/24/03	51.4		#1

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	DO PASS	DO NOT PASS	No REC	AMEND
<i>Adrian W. Pappas</i>	✓			
<i>James C. ...</i>	✓			
<i>L.D. ...</i>	✓			
<i>Ben ...</i>	✓			
COCHAIR: <i>Lynne ...</i>	✓			
COCHAIR: <i>...</i>	✓			

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SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 1
Bill Version: HB 187
(H) Publish Date: 3/31/03

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: Environmental Conservation
Title An Act extending the termination BRU Spill Prevention and Response
date of the Board of Storage Tank Assistance Component Contaminated Sites
Sponsor House Rules by request of LBA
Requester House Resources Component No. 2386

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Travel	11.2	11.2	11.2	11.2	11.2	0.0
Contractual	40.2	40.2	40.2	40.2	40.2	0.0
Supplies	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Equipment	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Land & Structures	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Grants & Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL OPERATING	51.4	51.4	51.4	51.4	51.4	0.0

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

1002 Federal Receipts	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1003 GF Match	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1004 GF	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1037 GF/Mental Health	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1079 (Undergr. Stor. Tk. Revol. Loan Fund)	51.4	51.4	51.4	51.4	51.4	0.0
TOTAL	51.4	51.4	51.4	51.4	51.4	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2003) cost: 0.0

Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2004 budget proposal:

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 would extend the termination date of the Board of Storage Tank Assistance (BOSTA) for four years. Currently the Department expends \$51,400 per year in contractual money for BOSTA-related expenses and travel. It is assumed this level of annual funding would continue through the extension period which expires June 30, 2008.

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Approved by: Kurt Fredriksson - Deputy Commissioner
Agency: Dept. of Environmental Conservation

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LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT COMMITTEE

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Sponsor Statement for Senate Bill 164 Extend Board of Storage Tank Assistance

Under AS 46.03.010(18), the Board of Storage Tank Assistance will sunset on June 30, 2003 unless the Legislature acts to extend the board. Senate Bill 164 would extend the board to June 30, 2007.

The board (BSTA) was created in 1990 to help the owners and operators of underground storage tanks (UST's) comply with state and federal regulations enacted in response to nationwide concern over possible contamination of drinking water from leaking tanks. These new regulations covered areas including the design, construction and installation of new tanks, and tightened standards for the retrofitting of existing tanks.

Board members have extensive UST knowledge and experience, allowing the board to act as a valuable liaison between the Department of Environmental Conservation and UST owner/operators. BSTA helped the DEC draft reasonable regulations and has helped owner/operators interpret and comply with regulations, saving the State the cost of seizing and cleaning up contaminated sites caused by non-compliance.

The DEC provides financial assistance to UST owner/operators, previously through grant programs, and now through a revolving loan fund, the Storage Tank Assistance Loan Fund. BSTA has been instrumental in mediating disputes between DEC and UST owner/operators over financial assistance determinations and allowable costs, helping avoid the need for formal appeals in some cases.

The Board of Storage Tank Assistance has a proven value, and it is in the best interest of UST owner/operators, the State and the general public to extend the board's sunset date for four years.

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Audit Report

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CONSERVATION
BOARD OF STORAGE TANK ASSISTANCE
SUNSET REVIEW

October 15, 2002



Audit Control Number:

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