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SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

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SENATE BILL NO. 117

SB 117 ELIMINATING LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM

"An Act eliminating the longevity bonus program and making related conforming changes; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends:

- be replaced with _____ CS SB 117 (FIN)
- adopt previous _____ CS as forth coming (_____)
- 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#
<u>F/n forth coming</u>				

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Zero	FN#

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	DO PASS	DO NOT PASS	NO REC	AMEND
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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSIONFiscal Note Number: 6
Bill Version: CSSB 117(FIN)
(S) Publish Date: 5/14/03
Dept. Affected: Health & Social Services
BRU Medical Assistance
Component Medicaid ServicesSENATE FINANCE
COMMITTEE

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction):

Title ELIMINATE LONGEVITY BONUSSponsor SENATE (RLS) BY REQUEST OF
THE GOVERNOR

Requester _____

Component No. 2077**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						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims	2,494.0	2,349.7	2,217.2	2,096.4	1,797.4	1,656.3
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	2,494.0	2,349.7	2,217.2	2,096.4	1,797.4	1,656.3
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
CHANGE IN REVENUES (0)						

FUND SOURCE

(Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts	1,587.6	1,478.2	1,375.9	1,280.6	1,192.4	1,107.8
1003 GF Match	906.4	871.5	841.3	815.8	605.0	548.5
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other(Specify Type-do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	2,494.0	2,349.7	2,217.2	2,096.4	1,797.4	1,656.3

Estimate of any current year (FY2003) cost: _____

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

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This bill phases out the Alaska Longevity Bonus Program. This phase-out may cause some seniors who are not currently receiving APA and Medicaid to seek help because their income has dropped below what they need to make ends meet. Seniors age 65+ who are eligible for APA payments are entitled to coverage under the Medicaid program.

The Division of Public Assistance estimates that approximately 500 seniors would apply and be found eligible for APA. The Division of Medical Assistance estimates that approximately 50 of those seniors are already receiving Medicaid under other categories, so 450 seniors would become newly eligible for Medicaid in FY 04.

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Agency Department of Health and Social ServicesPhone 465-5820
Date/Time 05/14/2003
Date 05/14/2003

FISCAL NOTE
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STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CSSB 117(FIN)

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

The estimated cost of providing Medicaid services to these seniors is \$490/month per senior. Due to death and out migration, 7 % of these new eligibles will leave the caseload each year. The cost of these new eligibles is shown below. Federal Funds are assumed to be 60% of the cost of adding new people before the adjustment.

FY 04: 450 persons x \$490/mo. x 12 mo. = \$2,646.0

FY 05: 419 persons x \$490/mo. x 12 mo. = \$2,463.7

FY 06: 390 persons x \$490/mo. x 12 mo. = \$2,293.2

FY 07: 363 persons x \$490/mo. x 12 mo. = \$2,134.4

FY 08: 338 persons x \$490/mo. x 12 mo. = \$1,987.4

FY 09: 314 persons x \$490/mo. x 12 mo. = \$1,846.3

In addition, the Department currently spends \$190,000 in general funds on ALB Hold Harmless payments. These payments would be reduced as the ALB phased out. The adjusted costs of increased Medicaid coverage for senior citizens are shown below.

FY 04: \$2,646.0 - \$152.0 = \$2,494.0

FY 05: \$2,463.7 - \$114.0 = \$2,349.7

FY 06: \$2,293.2 - \$76.0 = \$2,217.2

FY 07: \$2,134.4 - \$38.0 = \$2,096.4

FY 08: \$1,987.4 - \$0.0 = \$1,987.4

FY 09: \$1,846.3 - \$0.0 = \$1,846.3

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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 2
Bill Version: CSSB 117(FIN)
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COMMITTEE

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): 05/14/2003
Title: ELIMINATE LONGEVITY BONUS

Dept. Affected: Health & Social Services
BRU: Public Assistance
Component: Adult Public Assistance

Sponsor: SENATE (RLS) BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR
Requester: _____

Component No. 222

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						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims	210.0	195.3	181.4	168.8	157.1	146.2
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	210.0	195.3	181.4	168.8	157.1	146.2

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES (0)						
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	210.0	195.3	181.4	168.8	157.1	146.2
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other(Specify Type-do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	210.0	195.3	181.4	168.8	157.1	146.2

Estimate of any current year (FY2003) cost: _____
Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2004 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)
Adult Public Assistance (APA) serves low-income seniors age 65+. Phasing out of the Alaska Longevity Bonus (ALB) may cause some seniors who are not currently receiving APA to seek help from the program because their income has dropped below what they need to make ends meet. Economic data on the monthly income of seniors receiving the ALB does not exist. However, using data from the 2000 McDowell report "Issues Affecting the Economic Well-Being of Seniors," we estimate approximately 500 seniors may apply and be found eligible for APA. We assume that these new eligibles would have income closer to the maximum need standard and receive an average monthly benefit of \$35.

(Analysis continued on page 2)

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Division: Public Assistance Date/Time 05/14/2003
Approved by: Joel S. Gilbertson, Commissioner Date 05/14/2003
Agency: Department of Health and Social Services

FISCAL NOTE
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STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CSSB 117(FIN)

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

Assumptions

Using data found in the McDowell report "Issues Affecting the Economic Well-Being of Seniors," we estimate that approximately 500 low-income ALB recipients will apply for APA when they begin to lose a portion of ALB income.

The average APA benefit will be \$35/mo.

Due to death and out migration, 7% of these new eligibles will leave the caseload each year.

These new eligibles will remain on the APA caseload after the final phase out of the ALB

Calculations

FY 04: 500 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$210.0

FY 05: 465 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$195.3

FY 06: 432 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$181.4

FY 07: 402 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$168.8

FY 08: 374 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$157.1

FY 09: 348 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$146.2

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 5
Bill Version: CSSB 117 (FIN)
(S) Publish Date: 5/14/03

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: Health & Social Services
Title: ELIMINATE LONGEVITY BONUS BRU: Alaska Longevity Programs
Component: Pioneers' Homes
Sponsor: SENATE (RLS) BY REQUEST OF
Requester: THE GOVERNOR Component No.: 2671

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	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Contractual	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	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	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)

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	115.7	230.8	345.8	460.9	576.0	576.0
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
1156 Receipt Supported Services	(115.7)	(230.8)	(345.8)	(460.9)	(576.0)	(576.0)
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2003) cost: 0.0

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

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Phasing-out and then eliminating the Longevity Bonus Program will result in the reduction of Pioneers' Home receipts. Certain residents on the payment assistance program will receive reduced Longevity Bonus payments and therefore will have less income to pay towards their monthly rate.

This estimated loss in receipt supported services is based on our current resident population receiving Longevity Bonus warrants.

Prepared by: John Vowell
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Approved by: Bob Labbe, Deputy Commissioner
Agency: Department of Administration

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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSIONFiscal Note Number: 4
Bill Version: CSSB 117(FIN)
(S) Publish Date: 5/14/03

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction):

Dept. Affected: Health & Social ServicesTitle ELIMINATE LONGEVITY BONUSBRU Longevity Bonus GrantsComponent Longevity Bonus GrantsSponsor SENATE (RLS) BY REQUEST OFRequester GOVERNORComponent No. 26

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						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims	(8,956.4)	(16,617.9)	(23,034.5)	(28,162.8)	(32,130.4)	(29,080.8)
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	(8,956.4)	(16,617.9)	(23,034.5)	(28,162.8)	(32,130.4)	(29,080.8)

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()						
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FUND SOURCE

(Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	(8,956.4)	(16,617.9)	(23,034.5)	(28,162.8)	(32,130.4)	(29,080.8)
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	(8,956.4)	(16,617.9)	(23,034.5)	(28,162.8)	(32,130.4)	(29,080.8)

Estimate of any current year (FY2003) cost: 0.0Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2004 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This fiscal note reflects the estimated savings by reducing the Longevity Bonus payments 20% each fiscal year beginning FY 2004 and ending FY 2007. The program will be eliminated June 30, 2007.

Prepared by: John Vowell
 Division: Alaska Longevity Programs
 Approved by: Bob Labbe Deputy Commissioner
 Agency: Department of Health & Social Services

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 Date: 5/14/2003

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 3
Bill Version: CSSB 117(FIN)
(S) Publish Date: 5/14/03

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): 5/14/2003
Title ELIMINATE LONGEVITY BONUS

Dept. Affected: Health & Social Services
BRU Public Assistance
Component OAA-ALB Hold Harmless

Sponsor SENATE (RLS) BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

Requester _____ Component No. 223

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						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims	(291.9)	(583.8)	(875.7)	(1,167.6)	(1,459.5)	(1,459.5)
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	(291.9)	(583.8)	(875.7)	(1,167.6)	(1,459.5)	(1,459.5)

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES (0)						
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	(291.9)	(583.8)	(875.7)	(1,167.6)	(1,459.5)	(1,459.5)
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other(Specify Type-do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	(291.9)	(583.8)	(875.7)	(1,167.6)	(1,459.5)	(1,459.5)

Estimate of any current year (FY2003) cost: _____
Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2004 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)
This legislation phases out the Alaska Longevity Bonus Program (ALB) over a five-year time period. Longevity bonus payments will be reduced by 20% in FY05, by 40% in FY05, by 60% in FY06, by 80% in FY07, and by 100% in FY08.
Federal SSI eligibility rules require that the ALB must be counted as income when determining SSI eligibility. This results in the loss of all or a portion of SSI benefits to approximately 1000 ALB/SSI recipients. To mitigate the loss of SSI income, the ALB Hold harmless program replaces these lost SSI benefits. As the ALB payments are phased out, the amount needed to replace lost SSI benefits will be reduced by the same percentage as the longevity bonus.

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Division Public Assistance Date/Time 04/29/2003
Approved by: Joel S. Gilbertson, Commissioner Date 05/14/2003
Agency Department of Health and Social Services

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE
5 / 13 / 2003 COMMITTEE ACTION

Bill Number	SB 117		
Amendment			
Motion	to adopt ESB Report		
<u>Motion by</u>	Taylor		
<u>Objection by</u>	Hoffman + Olson		
<u>Removed</u>			
<u>Second Objection by</u>			
<u>Committee Member</u>	Y	Vote	N
Senator Olson			✓
Senator Stevens	✓		
Senator Taylor	✓		
Senator Bunde	✓		
Senator Hoffman			✓
Co-Chair Green	✓		
Co-Chair Wilken	✓		
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Yea	4		
Nay	2		
Absent			
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CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 117()
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY

Offered:
Referred:

Sponsor(s): SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to the longevity bonus program; and providing for an effective date."

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

3 * Section 1. AS 09.38.015(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) An individual is entitled to exemption of the following property:

5 (1) a burial plot for the individual and the individual's family;

6 (2) health aids reasonably necessary to enable the individual or a
7 dependent to work or to sustain health;

8 (3) benefits paid or payable for medical, surgical, or hospital care to
9 the extent they are or will be used to pay for the care;

10 (4) an award under AS 18.67 (Violent Crimes Compensation Board) or
11 a crime victim's reparations act of another jurisdiction;

12 (5) benefits paid or payable as a longevity bonus under former
13 AS 47.45;

14 (6) compensation or benefits paid or payable and exempt under federal
15 law;

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- (7) liquor licenses granted under AS 04;
- (8) tuition credit or savings accounts under a higher education savings account established under AS 14.40.802 or an advance college tuition savings contract authorized under AS 14.40.809(a);
- (9) a permanent fund dividend to the extent allowed under AS 43.23.065.

* Sec. 2. AS 18.56.850(b) is amended to read:

(b) In the development of a home energy conservation or weatherization program under (a) of this section, the corporation may not consider the value of [ALASKA LONGEVITY BONUS PAYMENTS UNDER AS 47.45 OR] permanent fund dividends under AS 43.23 in determining whether a person meets income guidelines established under AS 18.56.088 and (a) of this section for a state or, to the extent permitted by federal law, a federal energy conservation or weatherization program.

* Sec. 3. AS 44.21.230(c) is amended to read:

(c) The commission may not investigate, review, or undertake any responsibility for the [LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM UNDER AS 47.45 OR THE] Alaska Pioneers' Homes under AS 47.55.

* Sec. 4. AS 44.99.205(c)(3) is amended to read:

(3) "program" includes the permanent fund dividend program under AS 43.23 [AND THE LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM UNDER AS 47.45];

* Sec. 5. AS 47.08.060(c) is amended to read:

(c) In applying the formula to determine the applicant's share, the total gross income and the total assets of the family of the applicant may be taken into account, with the following exceptions:

- (1) the applicant's permanent place of abode;
- (2) one noncommercial vehicle;
- (3) tools, equipment, vehicles, and other assets required in a trade or business;
- (4) ordinary household and personal effects;
- (5) \$1,000 of liquid assets;

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1 (6) all nonliquid assets unless this exclusion would bring about an
2 inequitable result; however, all income derived from this property shall be taken into
3 consideration in determining the recipient's gross income;

4 (7) inalienable shares in a Native corporation created under 43 U.S.C.
5 1601-1628 (Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act), for the period of their
6 inalienability as specified in the Act;

7 (8) Alaska longevity bonus payments under former AS 47.45;

8 (9) any other assets specifically restricted for the use of the recipient
9 by state or federal law.

10 * Sec. 6. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
11 read:

12 REDUCTIONS IN LONGEVITY BONUS PAYMENTS. Notwithstanding
13 AS 47.45.010(a), the amount of each monthly longevity bonus payment payable under
14 AS 47.45.010(a)(1) - (4) shall be reduced by

- 15 (1) 20 percent for a payment made in fiscal year 2004;
- 16 (2) 40 percent for a payment made in fiscal year 2005;
- 17 (3) 60 percent for a payment made in fiscal year 2006;
- 18 (4) 80 percent for a payment made in fiscal year 2007.

19 * Sec. 7. AS 47.45.010, 47.45.020, 47.45.030, 47.45.040, 47.45.050, 47.45.060, 47.45.070,
20 47.45.080, 47.45.100, 47.45.110, 47.45.120, 47.45.122, 47.45.130, 47.45.140, 47.45.150, and
21 47.45.160 are repealed.

22 * Sec. 8. Section 6 of this Act takes effect July 1, 2003.

23 * Sec. 9. Sections 1 - 5 and 7 of this Act take effect July 1, 2007.

Not offered

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CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 117()

**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION**

BY

Offered:
Referred:

Sponsor(s): SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the longevity bonus program; and providing for an effective date."**

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3 *** Section 1.** AS 47.45 is amended by adding a new section to read:

4 **Sec. 47.45.015. Maximum income and assets for eligibility to receive**
5 **longevity bonus.** (a) In addition to the qualifications set out in AS 47.45.010 and
6 other provisions of this chapter, eligibility for a bonus is restricted to individuals who

7 (1) receive adult public assistance under AS 47.25.430 - 47.25.615; or

8 (2) meet the following income and asset qualifications:

9 (A) monthly income does not exceed \$1,402 for an individual
10 or \$1,893 for a couple; and

11 (B) total value of assets does not exceed \$4,000 for an
12 individual or \$6,000 for a couple, excluding the monthly income permitted
13 under (A) of this subsection, the primary residence, one automobile, and the
14 amount of money determined sufficient for burial expenses under
15 AS 47.55.020(e)(8).

1 (b) The calculation of income and the value of assets for purposes of (a)(2) of
2 this section shall be accomplished in the same way that income and the value of assets
3 are calculated for purposes of determining eligibility for adult public assistance under
4 AS 47.25.430 - 47.25.615.

5 (c) A recipient must report any change in financial status on the monthly
6 application submitted under AS 47.45.020. At least once a year, the department shall
7 review the recipient's financial status to verify eligibility for bonuses under this
8 section.

9 (d) A period of ineligibility to receive bonuses under this section does not
10 permanently disqualify the individual from receiving bonuses.

11 * **Sec. 2.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
12 read:

13 **APPLICABILITY.** This Act applies to the eligibility determinations for longevity
14 bonuses paid on or after September 1, 2003.

15 * **Sec. 3.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
16 read:

17 **TRANSITION: REGULATIONS.** Notwithstanding sec. 5 of this Act, the
18 commissioner of administration may proceed to adopt regulations necessary to implement the
19 provisions of this Act. The regulations take effect under AS 47.45.100, but not before the
20 effective date of secs. 1 and 2 of this Act.

21 * **Sec. 4.** Section 3 of this Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

22 * **Sec. 5.** Sections 1 and 2 of this Act take effect July 1, 2003.

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 117()
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY

Offered:
Referred:

Sponsor(s): SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to eligibility for the longevity bonus program and restricting the
2 program to certain individuals with limited income and assets; and providing for an
3 effective date."

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

5 * Section 1. AS 47.45 is amended by adding a new section to read:

6 Sec. 47.45.015. Maximum income and assets for eligibility to receive
7 longevity bonus. (a) In addition to the qualifications set out in AS 47.45.010 and
8 other provisions of this chapter, eligibility for a bonus is restricted to individuals who

9 (1) receive adult public assistance under AS 47.25.430 - 47.25.615; or

10 (2) meet the following income and asset qualifications:

11 (A) monthly income does not exceed \$1,402 for an individual
12 or \$1,893 for a couple; and

13 (B) total value of assets does not exceed \$4,000 for an
14 individual or \$6,000 for a couple, excluding the monthly income permitted

1 under (A) of this subsection, the primary residence, one automobile, and the
2 amount of money determined sufficient for a burial expenses under
3 AS 47.55.020(e)(8).

4 (b) The calculation of income and the value of assets for purposes of (a)(2) of
5 this section shall be accomplished in the same way that income and the value of assets
6 are calculated for purposes of determining eligibility for adult public assistance under
7 AS 47.25.430 - 47.25.615.

8 (c) A recipient must report any change in financial status on the monthly
9 application submitted under AS 47.45.020. At least once a year, the department shall
10 review the recipient's financial status to verify eligibility for bonuses under this
11 section.

12 (d) A period of ineligibility to receive bonuses under this section does not
13 permanently disqualify the individual from receiving bonuses.

14 * Sec. 2. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
15 read:

16 APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to the eligibility determinations for longevity
17 bonuses paid on or after July 1, 2003.

18 * Sec. 3. The *Sept. 1, 2003* nded by adding a new section to
19 read:

20 TRANSI *1st checks* ng sec. 5 of this Act, the
21 commissioner of *for new* ions necessary to implement the
22 provisions of thi *eligibility* .S 47.45.100, but not before the
23 effective date of *requirements*

24 * Sec. 4. Secti er AS 01.10.070(c).

25 * Sec. 5. Secti)3.

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE
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Motion	ADOPT Version I		
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FISCAL NOTE Draft - CSSB117(FIN)

STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: Version I
Bill Version: _____
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Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____
Title: _____
Sponsor: _____
Requester: _____

Dept. Affected: Administration
BRU: Alaska Longevity Programs
Component: Alaska Longevity Programs Mgmt
Component No.: _____

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	138.9	138.9	138.9	138.9	138.9	138.9
Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Contractual	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
Supplies	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Equipment	6.0	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	(27,100.0)	(31,081.9)	(28,704.6)	(26,320.6)	(23,946.4)	(21,541.8)
Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL OPERATING	(26,953.4)	(30,941.3)	(28,564.0)	(26,180.0)	(23,805.8)	(21,401.2)

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	(26,953.4)	(30,941.3)	(28,564.0)	(26,180.0)	(23,805.8)	(21,401.2)
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
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	(26,953.4)	(30,941.3)	(28,564.0)	(26,180.0)	(23,805.8)	(21,401.2)

Estimate of any current year (FY2003) cost: 30.0

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

POSITIONS

Full-time	3	3	3	3	3	3
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This fiscal note includes \$8.2 million to cover the May and June Longevity Bonus payments which are paid in July and August and removes the \$44.8 projected program cost for FY 2004. It is estimated that the effect of moving to a needs-based Longevity Bonus program will reduce the number of recipients from approximately 18,000 to 4,300. The anticipated cost of bonus program for the months September through June, 2004 is \$9.5 million. Additional costs are for three PFT Eligibility Technicians to determine the eligibility of current recipients and related (one-time) equipment costs. Startup costs to be incurred in FY03 are approx. 15.0 for additional programming of the Longevity Bonus system to archive and track eligibility, produce a tickler system for the annual review and to change the monthly validation stubs as necessary and continued maintenance of the system, and 15.0 for developing emergency regulations.

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The Governor's proposal—the original version of SB 117—eliminates the Longevity Bonus program in its entirety.

In public testimony before the Senate State Affairs Committee—and its counterpart in the House—recipients of the Bonus made it clear that they depend on the monthly checks they receive to make ends meet.

The Committee Substitute in front of you preserves the program, but applies a two-part means test in order to make sure those recipients that need the Bonus continue to receive it.

The first test is on income

The second test is on assets

In order to make the revised program easier to administer, the CS adopts the same definitions for calculating income and assets as the current Adult Public Assistance program. That means there are items that are disregarded when the respective calculations are made.

For income purposes, the PFD, 50% of earned income, the first \$2000 of an ANCSA dividend, and any other needs-based state assistance received by the person are all excluded.

For assets purposes, one home, one car, personal property (clothes, furniture, etc.), funds set aside for burial, non-cash ANCSA distributions, Native allotments, and reparations/settlements are all excluded.

The reason for an assets test is that some people have large assets available to them and are able to structure their finances so they have relatively lower monthly income.

When we began looking into how to apply a means test, we first looked at the requirements for Adult Public Assistance. However, those income and asset levels appeared to be very modest...just over \$1,000 in monthly income for a single person and just over \$1500 for a couple.

This CS sets each of those figures approximately \$400 higher and also doubles the assets test threshold. *to \$4,000/person and \$6,000/couple*

In order to qualify for the revised program, individuals and couples will need to go through an annual review to verify their eligibility. It is projected that roughly 4300 people will qualify under these conditions.

So that we can cut down on the administrative expense of this review, eligibility for APA constitutes eligibility for the Longevity Bonus. That should eliminate the necessity to review approximately 2/3 of the recipients. That leaves the cohort of people who exceed the APA thresholds, but fall under the ALB thresholds (approximately 1600 people) who the departments will need to review.

After the initial review, recipients will only need to check off on their monthly residency forms that they continue to meet the income/assets requirements.

Now, when the program goes into effect later this year, there will be some implementation issues.

Currently, when a check arrives in the mail for the month of May, it is based on residency two months prior (March). So, if the new eligibility requirements go into effect on July 1, current recipients will continue to receive checks in July and August of this year. *due to their eligibility in May and June*

Which brings me to a technical amendment to this draft that's necessary for implementation. On page 2, line 17, the language needs to read September 1 rather than July 1.

Once we get to implementation, there will be some Longevity Bonus recipients who do not qualify under this set of tests. However, if at some point down the line that person's circumstances change and they do meet the thresholds, they will be able to resume their participation.

Finally mister chairman, we get to the fiscal note and costs of the new program.

Due to the two-month lag in payments, we will have two months worth of status quo payments—\$4.1 million each month for a total of \$8.2 million. For the balance of the fiscal year, monthly costs for the payments will be just under \$1 million per month for a total of \$9.5 million. With the additional administrative costs added in, the total costs of the ALB for FY 04 will be around \$18 million.

Based on the \$44.8 million in both the House and Senate approved operating budgets, this amounts to an overall savings of nearly \$27 million for FY 04.

Due to the 2 month lag factor, there will be an additional savings of \$4 million in FY 05 and then the program will resume its gradual erosion over time.

That concludes my testimony Mr. Chairman.

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History and Legislative Action

The Alaska Longevity Bonus Program was created in 1972. The intent of the program was to provide incentive for older Alaskans to continue uninterrupted residency in Alaska, acknowledge the economic hardships of living out retirement years in the state, and acknowledge the contributions these people made while Alaska was a territory.

The original statutory eligibility requirements were:

Sec. 47.45.010. PERSONS WHO MAY QUALIFY FOR LONGEVITY BONUS. (a) A person who is 65 years of age or over, who was domiciled in the territory on or before January 3, 1959 and who has maintained a continuous residence domicile in the territory or state for 25 years may apply to the commissioner of administration for qualification to receive a monthly bonus of \$100.

By legislative action, the bonus amount was raised to \$125 in 1977, \$150 in 1979, \$200 in 1981 and \$250 in 1982.

The age and 25 year residency eligibility continued until a 1984 Superior Court opinion in the case of Schafer v. Vest (680 P.2d 1169 Alaska 1984) found the residency provision to be unconstitutional. As a result, the Legislature amended the statutes governing the program so that any person who was age 65 or older and an Alaskan resident for one year was eligible for the program.

In 1990, a hold-harmless ruling allowed bonus recipients to receive monthly checks without affecting public assistance eligibility. Also that year, legislation was enacted doubling the residency requirement to two years.

In June of 1991 the Superior Court ruled against the two-year residency requirement and eligibility reverts to one-year residency. The bonus amount continued to be \$250 per person, per month.

At the end of 1992 there were 21,645 recipients in the bonus program at a cost to the state of \$63 million.

In 1993 legislation was passed "phasing out" the longevity bonus program over the next three years. New applicants in 1994 received \$200 per month; 1995

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applicants received \$150/mo; and 1996 applicants received \$100/mo. No new applicants were accepted into the program after December 31, 1996.

In July, 2002, legislation was enacted to allow recipients to be absent from the state for 60 days without loss of a bonus payment. Prior to this, the allowed absence without loss of a bonus payment was 30 days.

Monthly Operations

The longevity bonus check document is a three-part sheet. The top section is the check itself. The second section is an information area and lists Alaska Longevity Program numbers to call for answers concerning the check. Each February, the second section becomes the recipient's Federal 1099 form for income tax purposes. The lower portion of the page is an eligibility "validation stub" that must be completed, signed and mailed or faxed to the longevity bonus program office for the recipient to be eligible for the next month's check. Eligibility validation stubs are received and processed in the office throughout the month. At month end, a computer system compiles all the validation information and generates an interface with the state accounting system to print the checks.

Longevity bonus checks are issued on a two month "lag" period; that is, a check is issued based on a person's eligibility two months earlier. For example, the check a recipient receives in December is actually payment for October.

Longevity Bonus Grants Authorized Budget Summary (In \$1,000's)

	(Authorized) <u>FY 2003</u>	<u>FY 2002</u>	<u>FY 2001</u>	<u>FY 2000</u>	<u>FY 1999</u>	<u>FY 1998</u>	<u>FY 1997</u>	<u>FY 1996</u>	<u>FY 1995</u>	<u>FY 1994</u>	<u>FY 1993</u>
Original Authorization	\$47,519.3	\$51,158.6	\$53,558.6	\$55,302.1	\$63,499.4	\$70,593.6	\$74,062.6	\$72,152.6	\$73,409.9	\$69,084.2	\$64,898.7
Supplemental			1,300.0	3,839.7	100.0	(2,177.3)	(1,341.0)	1,600.0	(700.0)	1,694.9	1,980.7
Final Authorized		51,158.6	54,858.6	59,141.8	63,599.4	68,416.3	72,721.6	73,752.6	72,709.9	70,779.1	66,879.4
Actual Expenditures		50,958.0	54,829.9	59,125.5	\$63,528.6	68,031.9	71,950.8	73,270.1	72,709.5	70,414.1	66,607.5
Difference		\$200.6	\$28.7	\$16.3	\$70.8	\$384.4	\$770.8	\$482.5	\$0.4	\$365.0	\$271.9

Alaska Longevity Bonus Statistical Summary

Most Recent Month January 2003

Sex of Active Participants:	Male	45%
	Female	55%
Active Participants Receiving Warrant:	17,340	
Total Warrants Issued:	17,531	
Total Cost of Warrants Issued:	\$3,846,500	

Includes past warrants due to some participants.

Budget

	FY 2001	FY 2002
Authorized	\$54,858,600	\$51,158,600
Cost	54,829,300	50,958,000
Difference	\$28,700	\$200,600

History

Fiscal Year	Total Cost	Bonus Amount	# Recipients (FY end)
1973	\$2,532,300	\$100	4,753
1974	6,009,700	100	5,250
1975	6,255,300	100	5,463
1976	6,533,400	100	5,553
1977	8,666,900	125	6,228
1978	9,444,200	125	6,671
1979	12,195,500	150	7,207
1980	13,226,500	150	7,897
1981	19,420,600	200	8,527
1982	26,198,750	250	9,101
1983	27,504,500	250	9,731
1984	29,155,750	250	10,769
1985	43,096,750	250	15,135
1986	44,024,250	250	15,763
1987	46,943,250	250	16,834
1988	49,994,000	250	17,675
1989	53,348,500	250	18,439
1990	57,172,700	250	19,490
1991	60,069,500	250	20,298
1992	63,073,750	250	21,645
1993	66,607,500	250	22,741
1994	70,414,100	See (5)	23,850
1995	72,709,500	See (5)	24,959
1996	73,270,100	See (5)	26,083
1997	71,950,800	See (5)	26,427
1998	68,031,900	See (5)	24,610
1999	63,528,600	See (5)	23,039
2000	59,125,450	See (5)	21,467
2001	54,829,900	See (5)	20,238
2002	50,957,990	See (5)	18,741

See (1)

See (2)

See (3)

See (4)

Projections

Fiscal Year	Total Cost	Average # Monthly Recipients
2003	47,981,000	17,954
2004	44,777,917	17,252
2005	41,543,333	16,081
2006	38,344,167	14,917
2007	35,203,333	13,766
2008	32,130,417	12,631
2009	29,080,833	11,468
2010	26,115,000	10,324
2011	23,361,667	9,304
2012	20,743,333	8,322
2013	18,250,000	7,376
2014	15,914,583	6,484
2015	13,740,417	5,654
2016	11,734,167	4,883
2017	9,901,250	4,165
2018	8,251,250	3,510
2019	6,768,750	2,917
2020	5,457,083	2,390
2021	4,326,667	1,931
2022	3,342,917	1,524
2023	2,510,833	1,168
2024	1,832,917	876
2025	1,282,083	638
2026	848,750	447
2027	525,833	298
2028	288,333	176
2029	116,250	81
2030	36,250	28
2031	5,833	5

See (6)

See (7)

Note (1) 25 year residency requirement

Note (2) 1 year residency requirement, 5/1

Note (3) 2 year residency requirement, 1/1

Note (4) 1 year residency requirement, 6/11

Note (5) The Longevity Bonus Program is being phased out. New applicants in: 1994 received \$200 per month; 1995 received \$150 per month and 1996 received \$100 per month. No recipients were added to the program after December 31, 1996. All people on the program prior to 1997 continue to receive their monthly bonus as long as they maintain their eligibility.

Note (6) Based on actual expenditures through February 28, 2003.

Note (7) Low projection; as of October 9, 2002 forecast run.

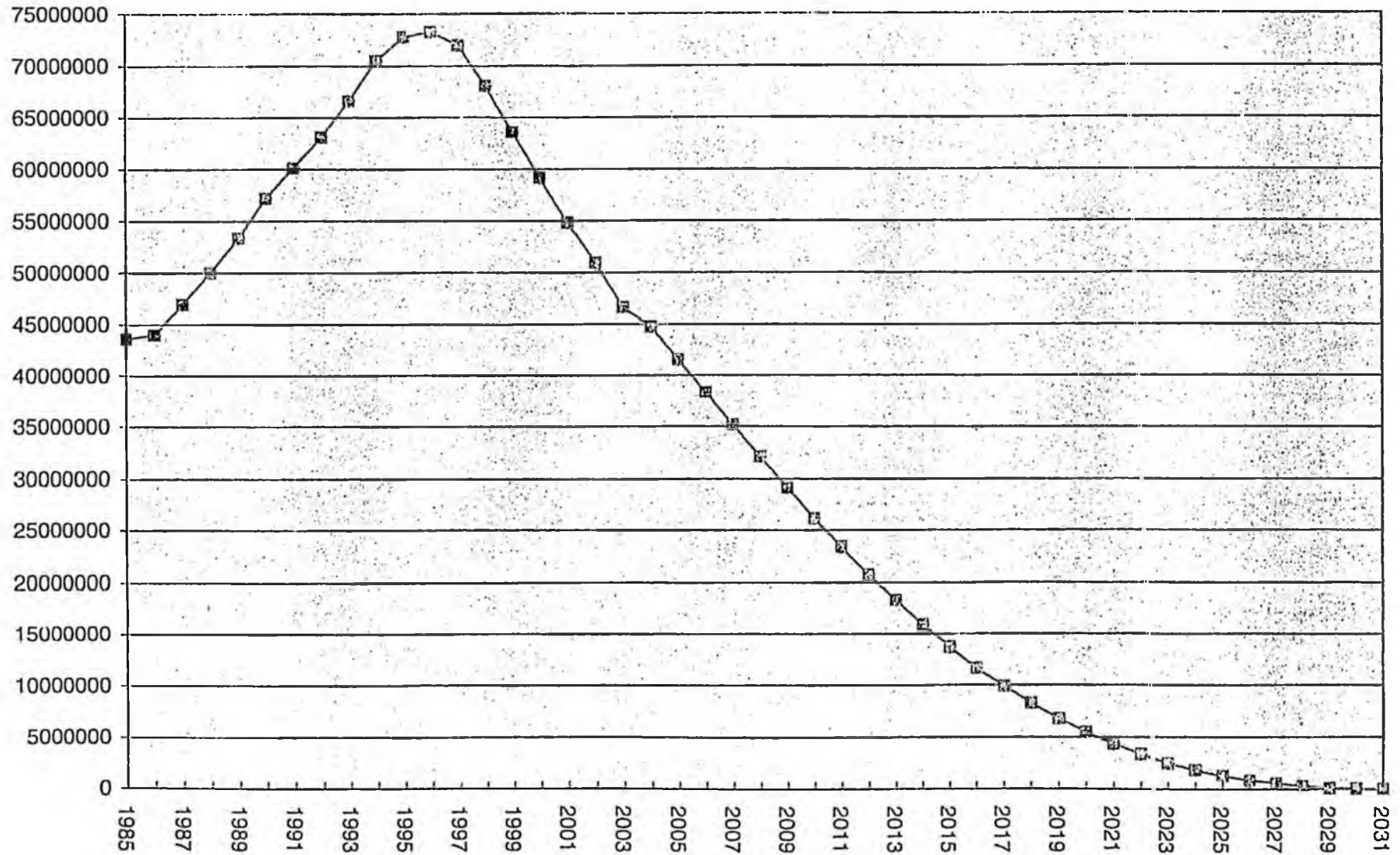
Note (8) Based on the average low payment estimate per the McDowell Group forecast model.

Longevity Bonus Program Projections
As of October 9, 2002

Fiscal Year	\$250 / month		\$200 / month		\$150 / month		\$100 / month		Combined Totals	
	Average No. Monthly Participants	Cost (In 1,000's)	Average No. Monthly Participants	Cost (In 1,000's)	Average No. Monthly Participants	Cost (In 1,000's)	Average No. Monthly Participants	Cost (In 1,000's)	Average No. Monthly Participants	Cost (In 1,000's)
2004	11,646	34,936.6	1,681	4,033.3	1,827	3,288.7	2,099	2,518.3	17,252	44,776.8
2005	10,702	32,107.4	1,607	3,856.6	1,756	3,160.0	2,015	2,418.3	16,080	41,542.3
2006	9,783	29,349.1	1,520	3,648.3	1,644	3,027.5	1,932	2,318.3	14,879	38,343.1
2007	8,893	26,680.4	1,432	3,436.6	1,595	2,871.2	1,845	2,214.1	13,766	35,202.3
2008	8,029	24,086.7	1,349	3,236.6	1,503	2,706.2	1,750	2,100.0	12,631	32,129.4
2009	7,193	21,578.4	1,269	3,044.9	1,415	2,547.5	1,591	1,909.1	11,468	29,079.8
2010	6,390	19,170.1	1,187	2,348.3	1,332	2,397.5	1,415	1,698.3	10,324	26,114.1
2011	5,631	16,893.0	1,095	2,628.3	1,245	2,241.2	1,332	1,598.3	9,303	23,360.8
2012	4,923	14,770.2	1,003	2,408.3	1,150	2,069.9	1,245	1,494.1	8,322	20,742.5
2013	4,157	12,782.7	915	2,196.6	1,050	1,889.9	1,150	1,380.0	7,272	18,249.2
2014	3,645	10,934.8	832	1,996.6	957	1,722.5	1,015	1,260.0	6,449	15,913.8
2015	3,074	9,222.4	749	1,796.6	874	1,572.5	907	1,148.3	5,653	13,739.7
2016	2,560	7,680.8	662	1,588.3	787	1,416.2	874	1,048.3	4,882	11,733.5
2017	2,110	6,328.8	574	1,376.6	695	1,251.2	787	944.1	4,165	9,900.7
2018	1,710	5,130.9	497	1,193.3	607	1,092.5	695	834.1	3,510	8,250.7
2019	1,353	4,058.0	431	1,033.3	527	948.7	607	728.3	2,917	6,768.3
2020	1,044	3,131.0	364	873.3	456	820.0	527	632.5	2,390	5,456.7
2021	786	2,358.1	301	721.6	389	700.0	456	546.6	1,931	4,326.3
2022	574	1,720.7	242	581.6	319	573.7	369	466.6	1,523	3,342.6
2023	404	1,212.4	191	458.3	254	457.5	319	382.5	1,168	2,510.6
2024	265	793.6	153	366.6	204	367.5	254	305.0	876	1,832.7
2025	153	460.3	119	286.6	161	290.0	204	245.0	638	1,281.9
2026	76	227.0	83	198.3	128	230.0	161	193.3	447	848.6
2027	31	93.7	48	115.0	91	163.7	128	153.3	298	525.8
2028	10	29.2	23	55.0	53	95.0	91	109.2	176	288.3
2029	0	0.0	5	11.7	23	41.2	53	63.3	81	116.2
2030	0	0.0	0	0.0	5	8.7	23	27.5	28	36.2
2031	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	5	5.8	5	5.8

Notes: Participants are any person who has applied for and is eligible to receive the Longevity Bonus.
Based on the low projections per the October 9, 2002 forecast run.

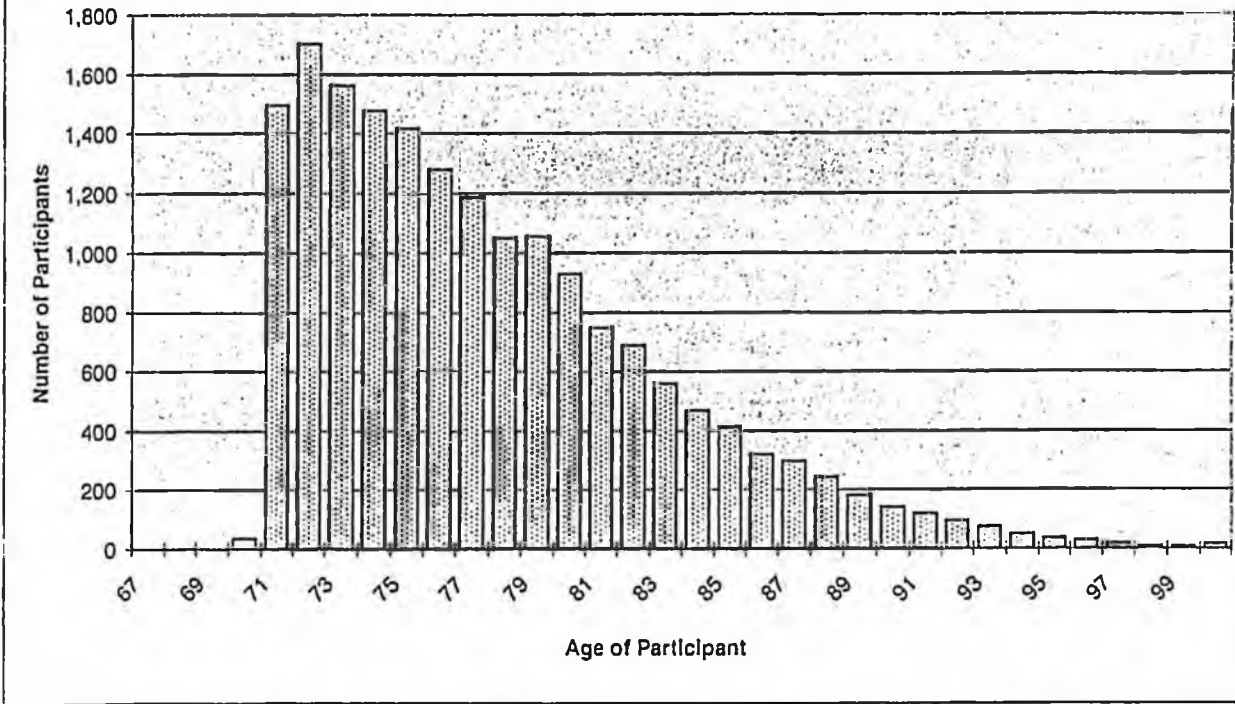
Longevity Bonus Program Phase-out (amounts from FY1985 - FY2002 are actual expenditures; amounts from FY 2003 are the forecasted low estimates)



**Age Distribution of Longevity Bonus Participants
As of December 2002**

Age	Bonus Amount				Total
	\$250	\$200	\$150	\$100	
67	1	0	0	0	1
68	1	0	0	0	1
69	0	0	0	0	0
70	0	1	1	33	35
71	0	0	39	1,455	1,494
72	0	48	1,565	89	1,702
73	45	1,397	86	32	1,560
74	1,324	94	38	20	1,476
75	1,327	37	26	25	1,415
76	1,226	32	14	7	1,279
77	1,132	24	16	14	1,186
78	1,012	14	9	15	1,050
79	1,017	13	15	10	1,055
80	894	12	13	9	928
81	718	8	12	10	748
82	656	14	11	7	688
83	538	8	2	10	558
84	448	5	9	7	469
85	399	6	2	7	414
86	306	6	2	6	320
87	289	1	2	5	297
88	234	3	4	3	244
89	175	1	3	1	180
90	132	6	2	1	141
91	112	1	3	2	118
92	91	2	0	1	94
93	70	0	2	1	73
94	48	0	1	0	49
95	33	1	1	0	35
96	29	0	0	1	30
97	15	0	1	1	17
98	8	0	0	0	8
99	8	0	1	0	9
100 & over	14	1	0	0	15
Total	12,302	1,735	1,880	1,772	17 689

Age Distribution of Participants



Longevity Bonus Program
Age of Participants
As of December 2002

Age	Number of Participants	Percent	% This Age or Older	% Younger	% Older
67	1	0.01%	100.00%		99.99%
68	1	0.01%	99.99%	0.01%	99.99%
69	0	0.00%	99.99%	0.01%	99.99%
70	35	0.20%	99.99%	0.01%	99.79%
71	1,494	8.45%	99.79%	0.21%	91.34%
72	1,702	9.62%	91.34%	8.66%	81.72%
73	1,560	8.82%	81.72%	18.28%	72.90%
74	1,476	8.34%	72.90%	27.10%	64.56%
75	1,415	8.00%	64.56%	35.44%	56.56%
76	1,279	7.23%	56.56%	43.44%	49.33%
77	1,186	6.70%	49.33%	50.67%	42.63%
78	1,050	5.94%	42.63%	57.37%	36.69%
79	1,055	5.96%	36.69%	63.31%	30.73%
80	928	5.25%	30.73%	69.27%	25.48%
81	748	4.23%	25.48%	74.52%	21.25%
82	688	3.89%	21.25%	78.75%	17.36%
83	558	3.15%	17.36%	82.64%	14.21%
84	469	2.65%	14.21%	85.79%	11.56%
85	414	2.34%	11.56%	88.44%	9.21%
86	320	1.81%	9.21%	90.79%	7.41%
87	297	1.68%	7.41%	92.59%	5.73%
88	244	1.33%	5.73%	94.27%	4.35%
89	180	1.02%	4.35%	95.65%	3.33%
90	141	0.80%	3.33%	96.67%	2.53%
91	118	0.67%	2.53%	97.47%	1.87%
92	94	0.53%	1.87%	98.13%	1.33%
93	73	0.41%	1.33%	98.67%	0.92%
94	49	0.28%	0.92%	99.08%	0.64%
95	35	0.20%	0.64%	99.36%	0.45%
96	30	0.17%	0.45%	99.55%	0.28%
97	17	0.10%	0.28%	99.72%	0.18%
98	8	0.05%	0.18%	99.82%	0.14%
99	9	0.05%	0.14%	99.86%	0.08%
100	15	0.08%	0.08%	99.92%	0.00%
Total	17,689	100.00%			

Average Age of Participant: 77.5

Median Age of Participant: 76

Longevity Bonus Participants by Zipcode
As of March 2003

Zip Code	Count	Zip Code	Count	Zip Code	Count	Zip Code	Count	Zip Code	Count	Zip Code	Count
77682	1	99563	18	99627	16	99678	35	99738	4	99788	6
98056	1	99564	2	99628	15	99679	11	99739	8	99789	11
98368	1	99565	3	99630	12	99680	9	99740	26	99791	4
99059	1	99566	7	99631	6	99681	15	99741	14	99795	1
99467	1	99567	187	99632	19	99682	8	99742	18	99801	605
99501	333	99568	19	99633	10	99683	16	99743	9	99802	154
99502	388	99569	4	99634	12	99684	35	99744	3	99803	91
99503	456	99571	2	99635	53	99685	17	99745	5	99811	1
99504	976	99572	43	99636	10	99686	52	99746	17	99820	18
99505	3	99573	53	99637	16	99687	436	99747	11	99821	52
99506	4	99574	72	99638	3	99638	86	99748	11	99824	82
99507	442	99575	6	99639	63	99689	17	99749	12	99825	1
99508	963	99576	69	99640	8	99690	10	99750	13	99826	3
99509	158	99577	321	99641	11	99691	5	99751	2	99827	133
99510	131	99578	8	99643	5	99692	2	99752	62	99829	33
99511	106	99579	1	99644	12	99693	8	99753	6	99830	32
99512	1	99580	6	99645	649	99694	13	99754	3	99832	10
99513	2	99581	18	99647	3	99695	2	99755	1	99833	154
99514	82	99583	2	99648	4	99697	1	99756	3	99835	362
99515	369	99585	10	99649	3	99700	1	99758	17	99836	1
99516	351	99586	30	99650	17	99701	665	99759	4	99840	30
99517	585	99587	14	99651	1	99702	2	99760	32	99841	8
99518	209	99588	44	99652	81	99705	200	99761	16	99901	518
99519	40	99589	6	99653	4	99706	51	99762	99	99903	2
99520	68	99590	6	99654	399	99707	241	99763	25	99907	1
99521	57	99591	5	99655	33	99708	122	99764	9	99917	1
99522	48	99598	1	99656	2	99709	376	99765	13	99918	5
99523	53	99599	2	99657	7	99710	39	99766	21	99919	7
99524	71	99602	10	99658	23	99711	26	99767	3	99921	38
99533	1	99603	324	99659	8	99712	122	99768	7	99922	11
99540	6	99604	35	99660	11	99714	22	99769	17	99923	3
99546	1	99605	12	99661	11	99716	9	99770	22	99924	1
99547	5	99605	11	99662	1	99720	11	99771	9	99925	17
99548	3	99607	6	99663	18	99721	8	99772	22	99926	58
99549	2	99609	18	99664	139	99722	2	99773	15	99927	5
99550	14	99610	70	99665	5	99723	80	99774	3	99928	38
99551	19	99611	372	99666	4	99724	4	99776	4	99929	136
99552	11	99612	11	99667	2	99725	12	99777	11	99946	1
99553	2	99613	13	99668	5	99726	4	99778	8	99950	13
99554	24	99614	18	99669	386	99727	6	99779	4		
99555	7	99615	253	99670	3	99729	8	99780	52		
99556	63	99620	13	99671	12	99730	4	99781	6		
99557	14	99621	27	99672	97	99732	1	99782	22		
99558	3	99622	15	99674	28	99733	2	99783	3		
99559	148	99624	6	99675	3	99734	1	99784	8		
99561	14	99625	6	99676	31	99736	4	99785	7		
99562	1	99628	8	99677	7	99737	122	99786	8	Total	17,546

Note: Active participants who are eligible to receive a Longevity Bonus payment if validation submitted timely.

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AN ACT

Providing for an Alaska longevity bonus; and providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

* Section 1. AS 47 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

CHAPTER 45. ALASKA LONGEVITY BONUS.

Sec. 47.45.010. PERSONS WHO MAY QUALIFY FOR LONGEVITY BONUS. (a) A person who is 65 years of age or over, who was domiciled in the territory on or before January 3, 1959, and who has maintained a continuous domicile in the territory or state for 25 years may apply to the commissioner of administration for qualification to receive a monthly bonus of \$100.

(b) When the commissioner of administration determines that an applicant qualifies under this chapter he shall immediately begin payment of the bonus.

(c) A person who otherwise qualifies to receive a bonus provided for in this chapter may continue to do so only as long as he continuously retains a domicile in the state.

Sec. 47.45.020. CONTINUOUS ELIGIBILITY PROCEDURES. After qualification, monthly applications for bonuses may be made in person to any office of the Department of Administration. Mailed monthly applications shall also be considered by the Department of Administration. In-person or mailed applications shall be made on forms provided by the Department of Administration and shall conform to the conditions as provided by regulation. The commissioner may make exceptions to those residents who are

isolated in rural areas and cannot mail a monthly application; however, they shall mail an application at least once every six months.

Sec. 47.45.030. ABSENCE FROM THE STATE. A recipient shall notify the commissioner of administration when he expects to be absent from the state if the absence is for a continuous period that exceeds 30 days. After such notification, the recipient shall no longer receive bonuses from the Department of Administration after his last regularly approved monthly application. Upon his return to the state he may again make application for a bonus. Whenever the absence is for a continuous period that exceeds 180 days, the recipient shall be disqualified from receiving bonuses for the next 12 calendar months after his return to the state. However, when the commissioner of administration determines a period of absence is beyond the control of the recipient, he may not be disqualified, if he still otherwise qualifies upon his return to the state. Continual absences from the state, even though reported, and failure to notify the commissioner of an expected absence may be grounds for disqualification.

Sec. 47.45.040. DISQUALIFICATION. Disqualification under this chapter shall rest solely with the commissioner of administration and shall be outlined in the regulations promulgated under sec. 100(1) of this chapter.

Sec. 47.45.050. DEPARTMENT HEARING. The Department of Administration may hold a departmental hearing upon the request of any applicant or recipient who has been disqualified. Previous to this hearing the department shall by certified mail notify an applicant or recipient in plain and comprehensive language the exact reason for his disqualification. Form letters using only referral to state statutes or department regulations, or otherwise vague in detail, shall not be considered compliance by the department with this section.

Sec. 47.45.060. LEGAL REMEDY. Legal remedy from disqualification may be sought by an applicant or recipient in any court of competent jurisdiction in the state. The burden of proof shall rest solely upon the applicant or recipient and any costs related to a disqualification verdict determined against the applicant or recipient may be recoverable by the attorney general from that person, or from any agency representing that person supported in whole, or in part, with state appropriations.

Sec. 47.45.070. UNQUALIFIED PERSONS. An unqualified person is one who

(1) does not meet the age or residence requirements as provided for under this chapter;

(2) meets the age and residence requirements of this chapter but is confined in a state or federal mental health institution or facility and is certified by the state as unable to manage his own affairs; however, if such a person was at the time of his commitment the principal support of a spouse, the commissioner of

administration may determine to pay the confined person's bonus to his spouse until the spouse is qualified for a bonus;

(3) is otherwise qualified but confined in a penal or correctional institution or facility; upon completion of sentence or upon the conferral of a pardon, parole or probation, the person may make application; confinement outside the state shall be considered as residence in the state if a person was convicted and sentenced from a court in Alaska; revocation of parole or probation shall be cause for immediate disqualification until release from confinement is again effected;

(4) leaves the state of his own volition and remains absent from the state for a continuous period of more than 180 days.

Sec. 47.45.080. ACCRUAL OF BONUSES. No recipient may, for any reason, receive an accrual of bonuses in excess of two monthly payments. No interest may be paid on accrued bonuses. Upon the death of a recipient the commissioner of administration shall pay to the beneficiary of the recipient any accrued bonuses not to exceed two monthly payments.

Sec. 47.45.090. ALASKA LONGEVITY BONUS FUND. (a) There is the Alaska longevity bonus fund created for the purpose of paying the monthly bonuses provided for in this chapter. The fund consists of all money made available by appropriations of the state legislature, and from other appropriated funds, all contributions from whatever source, and income and interest derived from the investment of money.

(b) The commissioner of administration is the administrator of the fund.

Sec. 47.45.100. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ADMINISTRATOR. The commissioner of administration shall

(1) promulgate regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter;

(2) make expenditures from the fund necessary to administer this chapter;

(3) establish and maintain an adequate system of accounts for the fund;

(4) publish annually a report showing the financial condition of the fund.

Sec. 47.45.110. CUSTODY OF FUNDS. The commissioner of revenue is the treasurer of the system and has powers and duties for this purpose including but not limited to the following:

(1) to act as official custodian of the cash and securities belonging to the fund;

(2) to receive all items of cash belonging to the fund.

Sec. 47.45.120. EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION AND PROCESS. Bonuses received under this chapter are exempt from all state and political subdivision taxes except sales and use taxes and are not subject to execution, attachment, garnishment or other process. No bonus received under this chapter may be exempt from a federal tax requirement.

Sec. 47.45.130. DEATH OR CESSATION OF RESIDENCY. The commissioner of administration shall establish procedures to stop a bonus when a recipient under this chapter no longer qualifies. When a recipient dies or discontinues his residency in the state his qualification for a bonus shall stop at the time of his last approved monthly application.

Sec. 47.45.140. PENALTY FOR FALSE STATEMENTS. A person who wilfully or knowingly makes a false statement, or falsifies or permits to be falsified any record required by this chapter, is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, is punishable by a fine of not more than \$500, or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or by both, forfeits all rights under this chapter, and shall make adequate restitution for any bonuses illegally received.

Sec. 47.45.150. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter

(1) "bonus" means a monthly Alaska longevity bonus payment made to a person or his beneficiary who qualifies under this chapter;

(2) "domicile" means the place with which a person has a settled connection for determination of his civil status or other legal purposes because it is actually or legally his permanent and principal home.

Sec. 47.45.160. APPLICABILITY OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT. The Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62) does not apply to this chapter.

Sec. 47.45.170. PURPOSE. The sole purpose of this chapter is to offer and provide all law-abiding Alaskans capable of managing their own affairs who have maintained a domicile in the state for at least 25 years and have reached a retirement age of 65, an incentive to continue uninterrupted residency in the state. Under no circumstances shall this chapter be considered a form, type, or manner, of public relief. Bonuses made under this chapter are not predicated on need even though they may appear to provide supplemental income to some qualified persons who would otherwise be forced to become responsibilities of the state. The legislature further finds and states that this legislation recognizes the economic hardships suffered by many elderly Alaskans, Alaskans who through their tenacity and perseverance molded Alaska as we know it through skillful application of their talents. These pioneers are the same Alaskans, who in the prime of their life were in effect treated as second-class citizens by the federal government, who paid much of their hard-earned income to a government in which they did not have the right to participate through the power of the ballot. The legislature also is aware of the fact that many of

these pioneers have been forced to live out their retirement years in areas far away from the land they loved and nurtured and thereby also suffering in many cases, the loss of familial relationship with their own kin, an experience that is sad and frustrating to them as well as depriving new generations of Alaskans the benefit of their wisdom and experience. This legislation hopefully will provide our pioneers with the economic means to remain in and continue to serve their state and to enjoy the opportunity of aiding the new Alaskan in making this state truly "The Great Land".

* Sec. 2. AS 01.10.030 does not apply to this Act. If any provision of this Act, or the application of a provision of this Act to any person or circumstance is held invalid, this entire Act shall be considered invalid.

* Sec. 3. This Act takes effect January 1, 1973.



Division of Public Assistance

We provide opportunities for Alaskans in need to achieve an improved quality of life.

APPLICATION FOR SERVICES

For Office Use Only

D.O. Date Received _____

Fee Agent Date Received _____

Fee Agent Signature _____

Expedited FS? Yes No

WHAT KIND OF HELP DO YOU NEED? PLEASE CHECK

The Division of Public Assistance delivers services through the following programs:

Temporary Assistance

Food Stamps

General Relief Assistance:

rent or utilities

burial expenses

Medicaid

Chronic & Acute Medical Assistance

Adult Public Assistance:

assistance for the blind or disabled

assistance for the elderly

Other Services: finding work

child care

child support

prenatal care

other _____

For Heating Assistance, complete the Heating Assistance Program application.

You may file a "Request for Service" now by completing this application page and giving it to your local Public Assistance Office or Fee Agent. If eligible, Public Assistance benefits start the date we received your "Request for Service."

Your application will be denied if we do not receive a completed application and if you do not have an interview within 30 days.

PLEASE PRINT

Name		Other Names You Have Used	
Home Address / Directions to Your Home		City	State Zip
Mailing Address		City	State Zip
SIGN HERE	Date	Home Phone Number	Message Phone

Certain applicants who are found eligible may be entitled to get food stamps within seven days. Please answer these questions so we can see if you qualify for expedited service.

- Is Cash and money in bank \$100 or less? Yes No
- Is your household's monthly gross income less than \$150? Yes No
- Is your household's monthly rent/mortgage and utility payments more than your combined monthly gross income and liquid assets? Yes No

Provided by Rosalee Walker

NOTE: If more space is needed, please attach another piece of paper.

INFORMATION ABOUT YOU AND THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE WITH YOU

Name	Relationship to you. If not related write NR	Social Security Number	Citizenship Status – Check One			Sex: Male (M) Female (F) Unborn (U)	Race (Optional)	EDUCATION
			U.S. Citizen Or National*	Alien in Satisfactory Immigration Status*	Other*			Highest Grade Completed
	Self							

* This information is only required for the people in your household for whom you are seeking public assistance benefits.

PLEASE PRINT

1. Are you or anyone in your household working and/or self-employed? Yes No *If yes, complete the information below.*

person employed	employer	# hours worked	monthly gross income
		/week	\$ /month
		/week	\$ /month
		/week	\$ /month
		/week	\$ /month

2. List any other money or income you or anyone in your household receives (not including income listed above).

owner/source/amount	owner/source/amount	owner/source/amount

3. List how much money your household has in cash or bank/credit union accounts.

cash	bank/credit union	account holder	bank/credit union name	account number	account type
\$	\$				
\$	\$				
\$	\$				
\$	\$				

4. List any land or buildings, fishing permits, stocks, bonds, or other items of value owned by you or anyone in your household.

owner	type of property/asset	value	owner	type of property/asset	value	owner	type of property/asset	value
		\$			\$			\$
		\$			\$			\$

5. List all vehicles owned by you or anyone in your household (cars, trucks, motorcycles, boats, RVs, snowmobiles, etc.).

owner	type of vehicle/model	year	how is vehicle used?	value	amount owed
				\$	\$
				\$	\$
				\$	\$
				\$	\$

6. List how much your family pays each month for rent/mortgage and utilities. <i>Do you pay for your home heating costs?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	rent/mortgage amount \$	utilities amount \$
7. Does anyone in your household pay for child care or dependent care expenses? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		amount \$
8. Does anyone in your household pay child support? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If yes, who?</i>		amount \$
9. Are you requesting assistance for anyone in your household who is pregnant? <i>If yes, who?</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>When is baby due?</i>
10. Has anyone in your household received public assistance (Temporary Assistance, cash, food stamps, Medicaid) in Alaska or any other state? <i>If yes, who, when and where?</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
11. Is any adult in your household fleeing from prosecution, custody, or confinement for a felony or class A misdemeanor? <i>If yes, who?</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
12. Have you or anyone in your household been convicted of a drug-related felony for an offense that occurred on or after August 22, 1996? <i>If yes, who?</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

If you are applying for medical assistance, answer questions 13-16. If not, continue on the next page.

13. Is anyone in your household eligible for personal or employer-provided health insurance, Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, TRICARE (CHAMPUS), or VA benefits? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If yes, complete the following:</i>		
names of insured persons	insurance company name, address and phone number	policy and group number
14. Does anyone in your household have Medicare coverage? <i>If yes, complete the following:</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
person's name	Medicare claim number	person's name
		Medicare claim number
15. Does anyone in your household have unpaid medical bills from the last three months? <i>If yes, who?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>What months?</i>		
16. Does anyone in your household have medical problems or medical costs due to an accident? <i>If yes, who?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>Date of the accident</i>		

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

I have asked this person to help with my public assistance case.

Name of Person

Phone/Message Number

ALTERNATE PAYEE

Do not complete this section if you do not want someone else to receive or spend your public assistance benefits.

I want this person to be able to receive and spend my public assistance benefits on behalf of my household.

Which benefits? Cash Food

Name of Person

Phone/Message Number

Address

City

State

Zip

Food Stamps Subsistence Statement--for rural areas only

My household intends to satisfy a substantial portion of our food needs by subsistence hunting and fishing. We do not intend to use these food stamps to buy equipment for commercial hunting and fishing. We understand we may not use the food stamps to buy guns, rifles, traps, fuel, ammunition, or clothing.

Signature of Applicant or Other Adult Household Member

Date

STATEMENT OF TRUTH

Under penalty of perjury or unsworn falsification, I certify that the statements made on the application and during my interview for assistance regarding the persons in my home, income, resources, property, and all other items that pertain to my possible eligibility for benefits are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I have read (or had read to me) and understand my rights and responsibilities as described in the "Your Rights and Responsibilities" page that is included in this application.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Other Adult Applicant

Date

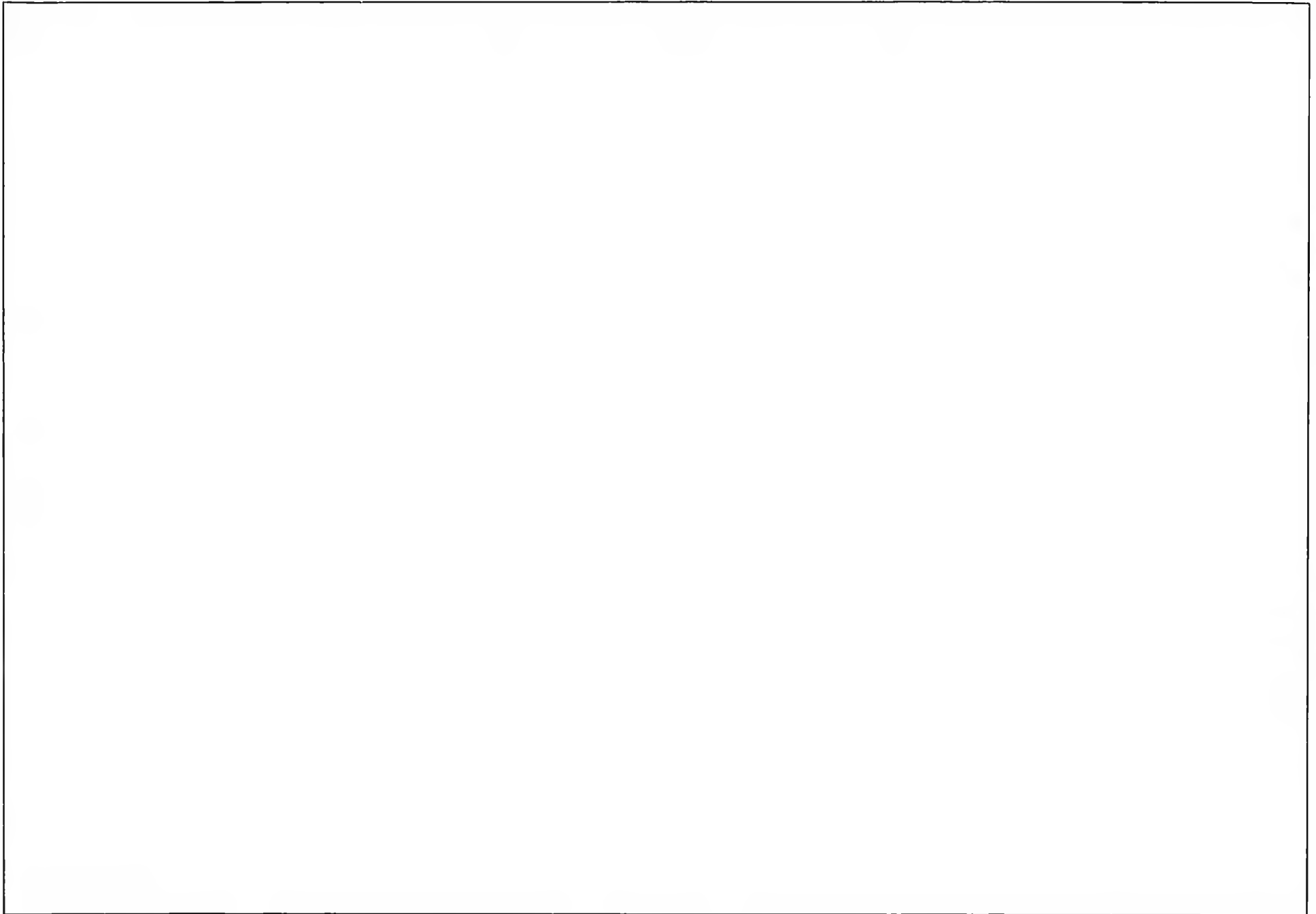
Signature of Fee Agent or Helper

Date

Signature of Witness if Signed with an "X"

Date

NOTES



STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
DIVISION OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

**AUTHORIZATION
FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION**

I authorize the release of information requested by the Department of Health & Social Services or its agents within the Department of Law. The requested information will only be used in the administration of public assistance programs, and will not be released to any other person or agency outside of the Department of Health & Social Services or its agents within the Department of Law. This release of information will be in effect while I am an applicant or recipient of public assistance, and for any later investigations of my eligibility and receipt of benefits.

Persons or organizations that may be contacted include, but are not limited to: the Department of Law, the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Fish and Game, the Department of Labor, the Department of Military Affairs, the Department of Revenue, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, Social Security Administration, local governments, public assistance program contractors and grantees, health care providers, tax assessors, financial institutions, Native corporations, stock brokerage firms, landlords, employers, school authorities, and private individuals.

A COPY OF THIS RELEASE IS AS VALID AS THE ORIGINAL.

Your Signature

Signature of Other Adult Household Member

Printed Name

Printed Name

Social Security Number

Social Security Number

Address

Address

Phone Number

Phone Number

Date

Date

STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
DIVISION OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

REQUEST FOR CONTACT PERSONS AND ORGANIZATIONS

We often need to contact persons or organizations that can verify your situation to determine your eligibility for public assistance. When we contact these persons or organizations, we tell them our name, title, and that we work for the Division of Public Assistance. We are prohibited by law from telling them anything about you or about your public assistance case.

The information we most often need to verify is where you live, who lives with you, and your household's income and resources. We may also ask for information about absent parents for Temporary Assistance and Medicaid applicants.

Please provide the information requested below:

NAME OF SOMEONE WHO KNOWS YOU WELL _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

NAME OF SOMEONE WHO KNOWS YOU WELL _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

NAME OF LANDLORD _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

FINANCIAL INSTITUTION (BANK, CREDIT UNION) _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

EMPLOYER _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

YOUR RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

You have the right to discuss any action taken on your application or case with your caseworker or with your caseworker's supervisor.

FAIR HEARINGS

If you disagree with an action taken by the Division of Public Assistance that affects the benefits or services you receive, you can ask for a fair hearing. You may do this by phone, in person, or in writing by contacting anyone in the Public Assistance office. Usually, you must ask for a fair hearing within 30 days from the date of the agency notice. Food Stamp fair hearing requests must be made within 90 days from the effective date of the agency action.

You may continue to receive Temporary Assistance, Adult Public Assistance, or Medicaid program benefits until a hearing decision is made. Food Stamps can continue until a hearing decision is made or until the certification period ends if you request the hearing before the effective date of the action or within 10 days from the date the agency notice was mailed. At the hearing you may represent yourself or be represented by a legal representative, friend, or relative. You may qualify for free legal advice and representation by contacting the Alaska Legal Services Corporation.

CIVIL RIGHTS

In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. Under the Food Stamp Act and USDA policy, discrimination is prohibited also on the basis of religion or political beliefs. To file a complaint of discrimination, contact USDA or HHS. Write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call (202) 720-5964 (voice and TDD). Write HHS, Director, Office for Civil Rights, Room 506-F, 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20201 or call (202) 619-0403 (voice) or (202) 619-3257 (TDD). USDA and HHS are equal opportunity providers and employers.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990

The Alaska Department of Health & Social Services, Division of Public Assistance complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you have questions, contact the Division's Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator at (907) 465-3347.

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS

You must provide or apply for a social security number for yourself and each household member for whom you are seeking benefits from the Alaska Temporary Assistance, Food Stamp, or Medicaid programs (42 CFR 435.910).

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

The collection of this information, including the social security number of each household member, is authorized under the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended, 7 USC 2011-2036. The information will be used to determine whether your household is eligible to participate in the Food Stamp Program. We will verify this information through computer matching programs. This information will also be used to monitor compliance with program regulations and for program management. The information may be disclosed to other Federal and State agencies for official examination, and to law enforcement officials for the purpose of apprehending persons fleeing to avoid the law. If a food stamp claim arises against your household, the information on this application, including all social security numbers, may be referred to Federal and State agencies, as well as private claims collection agencies, for claims collection action. Providing the requested information, including the social security number of each household member, is voluntary. However, failure to provide this information will result in the denial of Food Stamp benefits to your household.

HOME VISITS

A Division of Public Assistance worker may visit your home and may contact other people to verify your eligibility for assistance.

CHANGE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD CIRCUMSTANCES

You are primarily responsible for providing proof of your household situation. **You must report changes within 10 days.** You may do this by contacting the Public Assistance office by phone, in person or in writing. You are required to report:

- Changes in employment - starting or stopping a job, change in wage rate, change from part-time to full-time or full-time to part-time
- Changes in the source of unearned income or in the amount of total unearned income more than \$25 a month
- Changes in your household's expenses including shelter, dependent care, medical and child support paid (*you must report and verify changes in household expenses before we can use them to figure your benefit amount*)
- When someone moves into or out of your home (*report within 5 days when a child leaves your home, if you get Temporary Assistance*)
- If you move or get a new mailing address
- If your household gets a vehicle
- If your household has a total of \$2000 or more in cash and money in bank accounts
- Changes in medical insurance, if your household gets medical assistance

WORK REQUIREMENTS

To receive Temporary Assistance or Food Stamp benefits, you may have to participate in work activities. Temporary Assistance participants must prepare a family self-sufficiency plan that lists steps you will take to become financially independent. You must participate in approved work activities unless you qualify for an exemption. If you are an unmarried minor parent, to receive Temporary Assistance you must live with a parent or in another approved living arrangement and attend school or training. If you do not fulfill these work requirements or minor parent requirements your benefits may be reduced or ended.

FRAUD PENALTY WARNINGS

You may be prosecuted if you knowingly give false, incorrect, or incomplete information to get or try to get public assistance benefits you are not eligible for, or to help someone else get benefits for which they are not eligible. You must repay any benefit you wrongly receive.

If you misrepresent your residence or identity to receive multiple benefits you can be barred from receiving Temporary Assistance and Food Stamps for 10 years.

Under Temporary Assistance program rules, if you are convicted of fraud in court or an administrative hearing, you may not be able to get benefits for 6 months for the first time, 12 months for the second time, and permanently for the third time. Other penalties may also apply.

There are penalties for kickbacks, bribes, or rebates in furnishing Medicaid benefits. Penalties include fines up to \$25,000 and imprisonment for up to five years. Conviction of an offense could cause loss of Medicaid benefits for up to one year.

Under Food Stamp rules if you are convicted of fraud or otherwise found to have intentionally broken the rules, you will be disqualified from the Food Stamp Program for one year for a first offense, two years for a second and permanently for a third. You may also be fined up to \$250,000, imprisoned up to 20 years, or both. You may not use Food Stamps to buy items such as alcohol or tobacco. You may not sell or trade Food Stamp benefits, or use someone else's Food Stamp benefits. If you are convicted of using Food Stamp benefits to get drugs, you will be disqualified from the program for two years for a first offense and permanently for a second offense. If convicted of trading or selling Food Stamps worth more than \$500, or trading Food Stamp benefits for firearms, ammunition, or explosives, you will be permanently disqualified from the Food Stamp Program. Individuals convicted of drug-related felonies are barred from the Food Stamp Program.

CHILD SUPPORT INFORMATION AND COOPERATION

Alaska must collect child support and medical support from any parent who has the duty to pay support to a Temporary Assistance or Medicaid recipient. This includes any money owed to you at the time you apply, as well as current and future child support payments.

Any child support payments given or paid to you while receiving Temporary Assistance benefits must be reported and turned over to the State immediately. If you wish to change a child support order, you must obtain a new court order or get permission from CSED.

Note: If you believe you have a good reason not to cooperate with CSED for either the Temporary Assistance or Medical Assistance programs, you must tell your caseworker immediately. You may be asked to provide information to support your reason.

When you apply for Temporary Assistance you must:

- Sign over to the State your right to receive and keep child support payments due to you or to a child on Temporary Assistance.
- Cooperate with the Child Support Enforcement Division (CSED) by providing information to establish paternity, help locate an absent parent, and enforce a child support obligation.

When you apply for Medicaid or Chronic & Acute Medical Assistance for you or your minor children you must:

- Assign to the State your right to any medical support or other payment for medical care.
- Agree to cooperate with the State in establishing paternity.
- Cooperate with the State in obtaining any available third party payments such as an insurance payment or court settlement.

MEDICAL RECORDS RELEASE

When you sign the application for assistance and use Medicaid or Chronic & Acute Medical Assistance coupons, you consent to release medical records and information about you and other people on whose behalf you are applying to the Division. Upon request, any person who has medical records and information or the custody of such records shall release those records to the Division or its designee.

MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT

If the State of Alaska makes payment for services caused by injury or illness, you must agree to include all payments made by the State in any legal claim made against a third party and to notify the Division of Medical Assistance of that claim. If you receive an insurance or court settlement you must repay the State for the medical benefits provided as a result of the incident for which you are receiving the settlement. If married, but signing alone, you are acknowledging that benefits are for you, your spouse, or covered dependents. You and your spouse are both bound by this agreement.

FRANK H. MURKOWSKI
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March 5, 2003

The Honorable Gene Therriault
President of the Senate
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 107
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear President Therriault:

Under the authority of art. III, sec 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill that would eliminate the Alaska Longevity Bonus Program.

In 1972 Alaska initiated a program to reward our long-term residents (seniors) for their contributions and provide them with an incentive to remain in Alaska for their retirement years. It was originally intended to help those Alaskans who had been residents for 25 years and as stated in its original passage, was intended for those seniors who had "molded Alaska as we know it through skillful application of their talents."

Since that time, the Courts ruled that the 25 year residency requirement was unconstitutional. The new program instituted was expanded to all seniors residing in the state for one year. By 1993, the cost to the state was up to \$65 million a year. The legislature, recognizing that the cost would continue to escalate with the rapid growth of Alaska's senior population, implemented a phase out of the program.

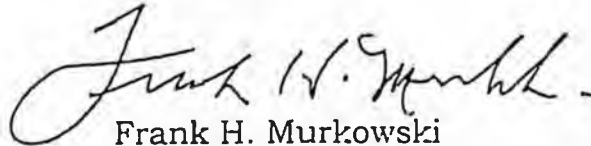
The judiciary eliminated the longevity program for Alaska's pioneers. The bill I transmit today ends its successor, eliminating a program that has outlived its original purpose and no longer offers special consideration to those pioneers so deserving of our thanks.

The Honorable Gene Merriault
March 5, 2003
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Alaska will continue to provide assistance and "safety net" programs for senior citizens. Some are directed toward all seniors such as an exemption from Hunting and fishing fees, the senior citizen property tax exemption and Pioneers' Homes. Many are targeted at seniors with limited means, including, adult public assistance, Medicaid assistance, personal care attendant services, nursing home services, home and community based waiver services, senior housing assistance, nutrition programs, and senior training and employment programs.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Frank H. Murkowski".

Frank H. Murkowski
Governor

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT First Committee of Referral

DATE: 3/6/03

FURTHER: Finance

Date of 5-Day Notice: 3/18/03
(in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED IN TO OFFICE: 4/4/03

State Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 117

SB 117 ELIMINATING LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM

"An Act eliminating the longevity bonus program and making related conforming changes; 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):

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PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Zero	FN#

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	Do PASS	Do NOT PASS	No REC	AMEND
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CHAIR: <i>[Signature]</i>				

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- Juneau -

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

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SB 117-ELIMINATING LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM

NAME: Lailyn Swanson Subject/Bill No: CS SB117
 Co./Dept./Title: Juneau Commission on Aging Phone: 586-5000
 Address: 415 Walloughly Ave. Zip: 99801
 Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: Doris Robbins Subject/Bill No: CS SB 117
 Co./Dept./Title: Retired Public Employee of AK Phone: 907-364-3267
 Address: PO Box 21011 Juneau Zip: 99802
 Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: Myrna Gardner Subject/Bill No: SB117
 Co./Dept./Title: Self Phone: 463-7386
 Address: Box 33391 Juneau Zip: 99803
 Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: Jessie L. Ferrell Subject/Bill No: CS SB 117
 Co./Dept./Title: Retired Phone: 907-586-3652
 Address: 630 Humboldt, Juneau, AK Zip: 99801-1437
 Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: _____ Subject/Bill No: _____

Co./Dept./Title: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: Ray Hunt & Ralph Hunt Subject/Bill No: SB117

Co./Dept./Title: Retired Phone: 364-2701

Address: Edgewater #205
2616 Douglass Hwy Jumeau Zip: 99801

Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: Jim Anolst Subject/Bill No: SB117

Co./Dept./Title: 2727 GOLF Phone: _____

Address: ~~POB 20011 Jumeau~~ Zip: _____

Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: Mary J Lewis Subject/Bill No: SB117

Co./Dept./Title: Retired Fed. Employee Phone: 586-1950

Address: POB 20011 Jumeau 99802 Zip: _____

Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: Shilma Kuchgatrich Subject/Bill No: CSSB117

Co./Dept./Title: Self Phone: 907-386-1906

Address: 715 W 11th Jumeau, Ak. Zip: 99801

Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: Fred G Baxter Subject/Bill No: CSSB 117
Co./Dept./Title: retired Phone: 364-2402
Address: P.O. Box 20762 Juneau Zip: 99802
Do you wish to testify? ___ Yes No ___ Respond To Questions

NAME: Judea Baxter Subject/Bill No: CSSB 117
Co./Dept./Title: retired Phone: _____
Address: P.O. Box 20762 Juneau Zip: 99800
Do you wish to testify? ___ Yes No ___ Respond To Questions

✓ NAME: Russell T. Walker Subject/Bill No: CSS 117
Co./Dept./Title: AARP / OPA & G Phone: 586-2873
Address: 1220 Glacier Ave Juneau Zip: 99801
Do you wish to testify? Yes ___ No ___ Respond To Questions

✓ NAME: Mike Rose Subject/Bill No: CSS 117
Co./Dept./Title: Alaska Pioneers Vets Press Phone: 6-1661
Address: 1669 EVERGREEN Zip: 99801
Do you wish to testify? Yes ___ No ___ Respond To Questions

✓ NAME: Marie Darlin Subject/Bill No: SB 117
Co./Dept./Title: AARP Phone: 6-3637
Address: _____ Zip: _____
Do you wish to testify? Yes ___ No ___ Respond To Questions

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SB 117-ELIMINATING LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM

NAME: Robert L & Violet L Dyer Subject/Bill No: _____
 Co./Dept./Title: _____ Phone: 566-2939
 Address: Box 20907 Jensen Zip: 99802
 Do you wish to testify? ___ Yes No ___ Respond To Questions

NAME: Jim Carroll Subject/Bill No: _____
~~Maria ...~~
 Co./Dept./Title: Junco Ret Talu Phone: 6-6115
 Address: 2020 Glacier Hwy Zip: 99801
 Do you wish to testify? ___ Yes No ___ Respond To Questions

✓ NAME: PAT LUBY Subject/Bill No: SB 117
 Co./Dept./Title: AARP Phone: 907-262-3304
 Address: 3601 C ST #1420, A, A 99503 Zip: _____
 Do you wish to testify? Yes ___ No ___ Respond To Questions

✓ NAME: JOE SUNDHEIM Subject/Bill No: SB 117
 Co./Dept./Title: _____ Phone: 463-2624
 Address: 324 WILLOWSBY Zip: 99801
 Do you wish to testify? Yes ___ No ___ Respond To Questions

NAME: Maxine McCoy Subject/Bill No: _____
Co./Dept./Title: _____ Phone: _____
Address: 128 TROY AVE Zip: 97801
Do you wish to testify? ___ Yes No ___ Respond To Questions

NAME: Elizabeth Lucas Subject/Bill No: 117
Co./Dept./Title: AARP Phone: 789-9655
Address: 2880 Fritz Cove Rd Zip: 99801
Do you wish to testify? ___ Yes No ___ Respond To Questions

✓ NAME: Carol Fleek Subject/Bill No: _____
Co./Dept./Title: _____ Phone: 780-4795
Address: Po Box 33292 Tnn Zip: 99803
Do you wish to testify? Yes ___ No ___ Respond To Questions

NAME: _____ Subject/Bill No: _____
Co./Dept./Title: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ Zip: _____
Do you wish to testify? ___ Yes ___ No ___ Respond To Questions

NAME: _____ Subject/Bill No: _____
Co./Dept./Title: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ Zip: _____
Do you wish to testify? ___ Yes ___ No ___ Respond To Questions

NAME: Alfreda DORE Subject/Bill No: 117 CSSB

Co./Dept./Title: _____ Phone: _____

Address: P.O. Box 240636, Douglas, AK Zip: 99824-0636

Do you wish to testify? ___Yes No ___Respond To Questions

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Do you wish to testify? ___Yes ___No ___Respond To Questions

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Email address:			
✓ Ron Cowan		Long Term Care Ombudsman	Y
Email address:			
✓ J.R. Hawk Langman		Pioneers of AK Igloo #15	Y
Email address:			
✓ Delisa Culpepper		Self	Y
Email address:			
✓ Gordon J. Severson		Pioneers of AK & OPAG	Y
Email address:			
✓ Elizabeth Dennis		Self	Y
Email address:			
✓ Ethel K. Brown		Self	Y
Email address:			

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✓ Peg Stout		AARP	Y
Email address:			
✓ Lois Arnold		Self	Y
Email address:			
Willie Brumfield - passed		Self	Y
Email address:			
✓ Winfred Eastfield		Self	Y
Email address:			
✓ Norman Eastfield		Self	Y
Email address:			
Susan Miller		Self	Y
Email address:			
Steve Conn		Self	Y
Email address:			

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Jay Dulany		Self	Y
Email address:			
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Email address:			
Mike Gildert		Self	Y
Email address:			
Jarell Smith		Self	Y
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Narina Alderfer		Self	Y
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✓ Ed Barber		Self	Y
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✓ Cliff Brennen			Y
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✓ Glen Franklin			Y
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✓ Charlotte M. Davis			Y
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Ed Shellinger			Y
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✓ Bob Huffman			Y
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✓ Hal Levey			Y
Email address:			
Art Robson - left			Y
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Janette Hanneman			Y
Email address:			
Glen Hanneman			Y
Email address:			
J Betty Hufman			Y
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Phillip Jackson			Y
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COMMITTEE: SFIN

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Edna Kahn - passed			Y SB117
Email address:			
✓ Charles Michon			Y SB117
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✓ Carl Glanville			Y SB117
Email address:			
✓ Iris Douglas			Y SB117
Email address:			
✓ Vi Jerrel, Ph.D.			Y SB117
Email address:			
Evan Cundiff - kft			Y SB117
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COMMITTEE: SFIN

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SUBJECT OF MEETING:

SB117: Eliminate Longevity Bonus Program

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✓ Petria Falkenberg	PO Box 3293 Kenai, AK 99611		Y
Email address:	Pet_rainbow@yahoo.com		
✓ Lenore Jones	5125 Silver Salmon Dr #1 Kenai AK 99611		Y
Email address:			
Email address:			
✓ Dale Johnson	230 N. Fern Kenai, AK 99611		Y
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COMMITTEE: (S)FIN

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✓ Margaret Antonson			Y
Email address:			
✓ Cleo Weston			Y
Email address:			
✓ Dee Dalhaug			Y
Email address:			
✓ Mary Hastings			Y
Email address:			
✓ Bertha Hansen			Y
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Mabel Smeltzer - left			Y
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Charles James left			Y
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Email address:			
✓ Betty Mercer			Y
Email address:			
✓ Chester Webb			Y
Email address:			
✓ Russell Sanders			Y
Email address:			
✓ Louise Harris		Palmer Sr. Center	Y
Email address:			
A. Robinson Jr. left		AARP	Y
Email address:			
Lafton Wells —			Y
Email address:			
Lucille Frey —			?

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Email address:			
✓ Frank Girard			Y
Email address:			
✓ Jim Watenpaugh			Y
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<i>Jimmy Stevens</i>			
Email address:			
✓ <i>EMMA Andrew</i>			
Email address:			
✓ <i>Robert Nick</i>			
Email address:			
BARB <i>BARB Lewis</i>			
Email address:			
✓ <i>June HAAS</i>			
Email address:			
✓ <i>CRAIG - Volunteer Site James Dennis</i>			
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**PUBLIC
TESTIMONY
SB 117**



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the SENATE FINANCE Committee
committee name

Committee on SB 117, dated Apr. 28, 2002
bill # / subject

Mr. Chairman Honorable Senators - I am not a senior yet but I am an Alaska Voter + seniors are my mentors. I am not in favor of this amendment or touching the longevity bonus period. I feel you need to honor the past commitment of our state government to these seniors. They have already adjusted their budgets for many years to include it. Many I've talked to need it for medical reasons. This money in turn then comes back into our economy & I believe little earned stay in the seniors pocket. I was always taught to respect & keep my promises if I made one. Is it fair to take it because this government has failed to be fiscally responsible & operate within a balanced budget? I strongly suggest that you do the right thing & leave our seniors alone after all most of them made the ultimate sacrifice to make this state what it is today. Wouldn't it be better to give them the option to make a decision to relinquish it if they have sufficient wealth or income instead of asking them to

Signed: Petrea Falberberg
Testifier These requirements will also increase the cost of governing of government. You need to respect your Elders!
Representing (optional)

Box 3293 Kenai
Address

(907) 283-7858
Phone number

(Suggest a State lottery) It does work other places & the money is volunteered not raved from senior citizens!



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate Finance Committee
committee name

Committee on HB-11 and SB173, HB59
Senate Bill 117, dated 4-30-03
bill # / subject

I am opposed to taking the longevity bonus away from those receiving it and also opposed to a phase out of the program demanding seniors prove their need. There has been lots of testimony from seniors and I am sure you have lots of e-mails on the subject. In today's paper the house & senate rejected ending the program, however, it informs everyone that Senate Republicans plan to draft legislation to preserve the program for needy seniors. Hello, hello, welfare and goodbye independence.

Alaska voters elected you to represent them and any change to the program does not, its only an end run around the longevity program by the governor and some senators and representatives when they see dollar signs on any pocket of money. I urge everyone to keep the present longevity program intact.

For fiscal responsibility why not have an Alaska State Income Tax or Lottery, this would bring money to the state. Please do not support CS for senate bill 117.

Signed: Lynne Jones
Testifier

Self
Representing (optional)

5135 Silver Salmon Dr. #1 - Kenai, AK 99611
Address

283-2220
Phone number



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the SENATE FINANCE Committee
committee name

Committee on HB 117., dated Apr 28, 2003.
bill / subject

I am against any change
to the longevity bonus program
+ the passing of the above bill
or amendments.

Signed: James J. Caldwell
Testifier

Representing (optional)

Pc 1406 SOLDOTNA AK 99669
Address

362-5107
Phone number



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate Finance
committee name

Committee on CS SB 117 Longevity dated 5-13-03
bill # / subject public hearing date

I am opposed to any bill which takes the longevity bonus away from those who are receiving it. There are no 65 year old seniors who receive the longevity bonus. If you will stop and consider what your intentions are, you are proposing to take from Seniors who are middle to late sixties and eighty plus years of age, who I consider part of the frail senior population. I believe your trying to justify what you are doing to please the governor. I mean spend without accountability and the arrogance & greed is truly a sight to behold during this legislative session.

Signed: Sharon E. Jones
Testifier

Representing (optional)
5125 Silver Salmon Ave #1 Kodiak, AK 99611
 Address
283-2220
 Phone number

FAX TO: Senator Gary *
Wilken, Co-chair
Senate Finance Committee
465 4714



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UEGENT MESSAGES TO LEGISLATORS

PLEASE FIND A WAY TO FAST TRACK SOME BILLS TO ASSURE US
THAT WE WILL HAVE THE CHECKS WE RELY UPON COME JULY 1st.

THE ATTACHED PAPERS OFFER SOME OF THE ARGUMENTS TO COUNTER
SB AND HB BILLS AGAIBST THE VITAL LONGEVITY PROGRAM. PLEASE
READ AND CONSIDER THESE COUNTER ARGUMENTS AND THE IDEA FOR
A POSSIBLE BILL

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE RESPONDED TO EARLIER PAPERS
ALSO MEANT FOR PUBLIC TESTIMONY. YOU HELPED KEEP HOPE
ALIVE.

E. M. Casey

C O V E R S H E E T

Title: Second Open Letter to Governor Murkowski
with Addenda, 3 pages

Purpose: Submitted as Public Testimony for
hearings on SB 117 and HB 158 and
to recommend introduction of a bill
to freeze eligibility for the future
of those who elect to opt out of
the Longevity program and fund it
for fiscal 2004

From: E. M. Casey, an old voter

Date: March 28, 2003

By FAX to: Governor Frank Murkowski
Senate and House Majority and Minority
leaders, President and Speaker
Chairs House and Senate State Affairs
and Finance Committees
and Correspondents

- Notes:
- (1) To Governor Murkowski, Committee Chairs and those who did not receive Faxes of the First Open Letter to the Governor dated March 24, 2003, a copy of the corrected letter (4 pages) is attached.
 - (2) To other recipients of the previous open letter, the last line of the second paragraph on page 4 should read:

"income earned in Alaska whether
by residents or non-residents."
 - (3) Query? What would the cost of the Longevity Bonus payment program, always stated in 1970's dollars, have been and be if it had been COLA protected all these years? Better to continue the program at the bargain and declining expense before we ask for more.

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2nd OPEN LETTER TO:

The Honorable Frank Murkowski
Governor of the State of Alaska
Juneau, AK

March 28, 2003

Re: Equality & Fairness
Anti SB 117 & HB 158

Dear Governor Murkowski:

People are created equal but this certainly is not true as they reach retirement ages nor as they become frail or loose strength, vigor and health.

The generations you seek to penalize by removing their Longevity Bonus payments are the survivors of the Great Depression of the 1930's and of World War II. Our lives and circumstances differ wildly from those later born, including those such as your generation and those now in the process of planning their retirement lives, the so-called "Baby Boomers" who were children of my generation.

Alaskans born in 1928 and earlier are the only recipients who receive \$250 per month. The phase-out law cut off support for anyone born later than 1932 and those born in that year receive only \$100 per month.

Do you understand the difference in ability to cope with drastic changes induced by loss of even small changes in income and way of life, not to mention being able to be among familiar surroundings, friends, family if you are so fortunate as to have them, that effect the older frailer seniors. Do you understand how damaging the stress is to us compared to the effect on the those of younger seniors that had seven years to take the end of the program into consideration in making their retirement and residence plans for the time they would become 65?

If you have listened to any of the public testimony of seniors of all ages, their care-givers, and their organizations during hearings on ~~SB 117~~, your eyes have been opened to the extent of need and reliance upon these payments among the older seniors

The so-called "safety nets" do not address the problems for those of us who are not welfare cases, even if our income exceeds the amounts in your three-page handouts describing welfare by even a dollar or two. For instance we must go on paying Part B of Medicare insurance for ourselves; the State of Alaska does not pay it for us. Many of us take responsibility for buying our own Medicare Supplemental Insurance, any of the five statutory programs with monthly premiums which we pay. Alaska does not pay them for us

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E. M. CASEY

Far from creating equality of hardship by ending the Longevity :
payment program, the proposed bills create very unequal and
unfair discrimination against the oldest of seniors.

Please refer to the explanation of the difference in the
opportunity to accumulate retirement resources explained in
my first open letter to the Governor dated March 24th.

A useful bill would be one that made it possible for those
now eligible beneficiaries to freeze eligibility at their own
existing level, but who do not at present need this form of
support, to opt out while their circumstances are good, but
return to being active beneficiaries if and when their
financial burdens increase or their incomes significantly
deteriorate.

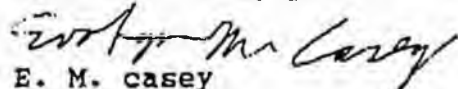
To now, this program has been an outstanding one in terms of
the administrative expenses. These expenses are mainly
clerical. Beneficiaries qualify themselves each month by
returning a small form that is part of the stub with each
month's check. Any consideration of making the program
"needs" based should give careful consideration to avoiding
creating a new burgeoning bureaucracy.

The youthful administrators whose knowledge of the program
appears to be limited to bottom line dollar view have
made no analysis of the dollar value to the economy of the
state and to their communities of the receipt and spending
locally of Longevity Bonus Program dollars.

This has never been a welfare program and it should not be
lumped with those necessary but unrelated programs and put
in position of having to compete with their meritorious but
very different missions and goals and growth, not decline.

We are being phased out by Mother Nature. We don't need
help from the Governor to speed up the process. Just refer
to the statistics produced by those very young administra-
tors who spoke for the Department of Administration on the
falling annual expense since the phase out law took effect.

Very sincerely yours,


E. M. casey

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Addenda to 2nd Open Letter to Governor Murkowski
March 28, 2003

Re: Invalidity of the "Original Purpose" argument advanced in seeking to eliminate the existing phase-out form of the Longevity Bonus Program.

The first time the Legislature amended the law now in it's self-sunsetting phase, the Legislature also amended the intended and stated purpose of the law to the extent that it superceded the original language.

Attempting to use unamended language of the 1970's act is a spurious and mendacious derogation of the work every subsequent Legislature has put into consideration and development of the law as it now exists. I do not want to believe that the Governor of whom so many have or had great hopes originated such a viewpoint and policy.

Senior and older Alaskans are not interchangeable boxes on the shelves of a toy shop. We should not be tossed into a clearance bin just because some more recently received toys might possibly bring in greater profit to the store.

Young whippersnappers equipped with MBA's and/or degrees as accountants or statisticians are not equipped to make abrupt life and well-being changes of drastic impact in the lives of their elders and seniors as if for fungible goods.

The value to the community, statewide or local, of our contributions, past, present, and future is all too obviously outside the understanding of those who conceived of the policy embodied in the two bad bills, SB 117 and HB 158, and sold to a Governor in search of a means of easing the notorious fiscal gap.

This addenda to the second open letter I have addressed to the Governor is written in the respectful hope that he will take action to delete these too-hastily drafted bills and substitute more reasonable and humane solutions for consideration by the Legislature before even more anguish and stress is inflicted on his elder citizens their caregivers and families.

Very sincerely



E. M. Casey

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OPEN LETTER TO:

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March 24, 2003

The Honorable Frank Murkowski
Governor of the State of Alaska
Juneau, AlaskaHB 158
SB 117

Dear Governor Murkowski:

You puzzle me. Are you so astute that you have maneuvered the Legislative Branch as a whole into a position where they need to find ways to redress the inequities inherent in your budgetary proposals? One, or I hope more, of the bravest among the Legislators is asked most urgently and sincerely to introduce a measure to restore funding to the Longevity payment program for 2004 to continue in existence this law that is of vital importance, in addition to defeating the above bad bills.

Or, are you merely very ill-advised by your newly appointed and close associates who display little understanding of the realities of life in Alaska? I would like to think that you just are not fully aware of the stress, distress and fear you are causing many elderly to endure. We certainly do not "step up to the plate" to wordlessly give up our one and only "safety net." You are harming us even before June 30th D day.

The only "class clash" among us is the divide between the well-paid or pensioned employees of big corporations and government and the rest of us. We may have far less to live on but our votes count just as heavily, old or not.

You may not realize, surely your younger number crunchers do not, that those now in their 70's, 80's, 90's and more spent most of our working lives in years when the dollar amount taxed into the Social Security system was much lower than that accumulated by later generations, including those now 65 to 70; Not only were those that followed us earning higher salaries their FICA taxes were much higher. They can or do look forward to higher monthly benefits than we will ever receive. I worked for 50 years but most of that was under the years of low wages and low FICA contributions. My monthly income could never match that of someone even just 10 years younger.

However, in Alaska there are many seniors and elders who worked hard all their lives with little or no opportunity to accumulate quarters of Social Security coverage nor the opportunity to accumulate a million or two, much less nest eggs sufficient to support them in a world of constantly

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rising prices in a state where the substantial difference in the cost of necessities like food and fuel exist. Check your own statistic gathering assistants on the differences for a gallon of milk and a gallon of fuel, or a cartload of groceries between Railbelt cities with Juneau and towns and villages in other parts of Alaska. (Part of the reason that a state-wide sales tax does not fit in a state where there are many communities with no property tax base and which rely on a local sales tax to fund essential local services.)

There may be a few seniors who fill out the form and mail it back to Juneau each month attesting to eligibility for the next month's check who do not need it to maintain themselves. I suspect that those able to travel freely, those for whom money is not a constant problem, already have opted out of the program even though out-of-state regulations were eased a year or two ago.

I hope you do realize that is a program that is far more efficient and inexpensive in administration costs than most government funded programs. Its expenses are largely clerical. The money goes into the hands of those that need it and it is spent locally. Local merchants and grocers would miss our checks when we are left without the money to spend for food to keep up the nutrition important to health.

Of course, there are still many who spend most of the monthly check defraying such frills as paying for Part B of Medicare and Medicare Supplemental Insurance. If we can no longer manage to pay our way and have to seek charitable help from the Medicaid program, in addition to enduring personal investigation and trying to secure the support of physicians for the change if we can still obtain the services of physicians who no longer welcome Medicare-Medigap patients because their reimbursement schedules from Medicare were cut drastically during the former administration (the same administration who dumped military veterans into Medicare at the same time as part of creating a surplus!) then we can wait months to find out if Medicaid will accept us--is that your idea of a "safety net?"

I am forcibly reminded of the words of the unregenerate Ebenezer Scrooge who said when asked to help at Christmas and refusing, "then let them die and decrease the surplus population." Are we not dying off fast enough?

I believe all of the reasons stated to this point in this letter were factors in the deal struck between the Legislature and the senior Alaskans when the phase-out law and promises were made. That law gave time for those who would be

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effected protection if they were relying on the program and time to anticipate the phase-out if they were near retirement.. This proposed abrupt, harsh and unreasonable ending of the promised support does none of those things. Most of us can no longer just go out and get another job to offset the loss of the funds that enable us to maintain ourselves.

To many voters, talk of reducing the size, expense and waste of government meant cutting the number, size, duplication, and complexity of offices, bureaus, and departments which make this one of the most regulated states and complicate our lives. Now we are told that instead every expenditure on the people, the actual "state," will be funded if it is of dollar value bottom line to the state--meaning the bureaucracy of government! How many positions and expenditures have been eliminated in the Executive Branch and it's tentacles?

In private business the owner can govern by edict solely concerned with protecting his monetary interest if he so chooses. In a representative government focusing solely on a dollar value bottom line is at the least inappropriate. Government, including Republican government, exists to serve the people of the state. Contending otherwise is a false premise.

Suddenly producing proposed budgetary decisions and changes of policy as surprises, especially one like this which can only have a major detrimental effect on the lives of the oldest and most infirm citizens is akin to the game of uproar played by children in classrooms to distract attention from something they have done, or more likely something they intend to do.

Have you considered folding the duties of Management and Budget into a department with some connection and duty to your constituents. It might help you put a human face on future proposals. Or fold both bureaus into one more humane than the present merchandise minded Department of Administration. The present budget proposals are pregnant with many unintended consequences--to give you a generous benefit of the doubt.

There are other means of preventing passing along to later generations a fiscal problem 20 years or more in the making.

Any flat tax (user's fee) would be inherently inequitable in Alaska whatever it is called. Of course we should all pay a user's fee for benefitting from state provided services but that user's fee must be in proportion to individual ability to pay. After all we report income such as

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the dividends we receive from the Permanent Fund as well as the Longevity payments on form 1040 as part of the process of determining the amount of federal users liability we may owe the federal government. There is no rational reason not to begin gathering data and considering during fiscal 2004 what a state services users fee based on a small percentage of the federal fee should be.

No one means of raising new revenue can instantly cure 20 years or more of fiscal gap creation. Before Prudhoe Bay began to provide it's largesse, state citizens supported state services by paying a progressive tax which took account of ability to pay. Such a user's fee would provide all the traditional exemptions and deductions that apply to the federal tax on personal income, a tax or user's fee on all income earned in Alaska whether by residents or non-residents.

For 2004, after adjusting various fees attached to businesses to make them relevant to the size and economy of the businesses, a better reasoned decision about the amount of the CBR draw for 2004 is needed in order to buy time for you and the Legislature to work together in a cooperative and bipartisan way to begin giving some stability to the finances of the state beginning in fiscal 2005.

While we wait to see if there is any new source of revenue in oil and gas, government does have less draconian means of alleviating problems of the Operating Budget than discarding it's oldest and most infirm, and generally most in need of promises kept, as if their contributions to society are worthless. Their knowledge, wisdom, and skills supply many of the volunteer services which help to keep the fabric of our economy and social services functioning.

Will you work with the committees and members of the Legislative Branch, the source of approval for both appropriations and expenditures, to craft a workable operating budget, including funding 2004 for the Longevity payments while you and the Legislators survey to find out why this most efficiently run form of assistance is important?

Please excuse me for this form of submitting public testimony to hearings on the aforesaid two bills. I am too infirm and immobile to travel to a Legislative Office for teleconferences much less go to Juneau. I cannot afford the means to use E-mail nor toner cartridges for hard copies. My arthritic hands and archaic typewriter and a bottle of White-Out are my means of communication by an old FAX machine--as long as I can pay the phone bill.

Very sincerely yours,

E. M. Casey
Eva Lyn M. Casey
An Old Voter

CC: See cover sheet



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April 7, 2003

Older Persons Action Group
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Dear Alaska Legislators:

As you can see in the front page of the April edition, the Senior Voice highlighted the Longevity Bonus topic.

Seniors around the state hope the Bonus will remain in the state budget!

Sincerely Yours,

Ray Clements
Ray Clements, Executive Director

*Would you have an article
or letter for the Senior Voice?*



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April 8, 2003

Governor Frank Murkowski
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Re: Without the Longevity Bonus, Pioneer Home Vet Needs "Safety Net Program"

Dear Governor Murkowski:

My 89-year-old father, a decorated World War II naval officer, is destitute and needs funds so he can receive continued medical care and services which are necessary for his health, and pain alleviation. He chose not to apply for the longevity bonus because he did not believe in government handouts. He frugally saved and believed his \$300,000 savings would fund his retirement. Now my dad has paid the Anchorage Pioneer Home (APH) his savings, and has no money left to pay for care and services that the home no longer provides - promised services which are necessary for his health, services which are needed to alleviate pain. I received your mailing entitled "Safety Net Programs Supporting Senior Citizens", but I do not find any programs to assist his needs.

Since my dad's admissions to APH in 9/97 rates have tripled at the Pioneer Homes, making APH twice as expensive as most Anchorage assisted living homes. However, with fee increases the Homes continue to redefine and cut services, and pass more expense on to the residents. For example, under new regulation all handicapped ADRD/Comprehensive residents must provide a traveling companion in order to ride APH's handicapped bus to their medical appointments. Under the stipend program my dad is only allowed \$100 per month to cover his needs; I must supplement this since this is not enough. He cannot pay the \$25+ charge for a companion. I do not see how I can, with a documented back injury, be his companion and push his chair and carry my baby at the same time. As a single mom, I cannot pay this additional cost. If APH has enough staff to transport residents for shopping events or the State Fair, why are they lacking staff for important medical transportation? Why are only the handicapped Pioneer Home residents forced to pay this additional expense/get family assistance to supplement short staffing? Where are the funds in your safety net programs to pay for this?

My father is physically handicapped and mentally challenged with dementia. Prior to admission, we were told APH was the premier assisted living dementia facility, which would provide individualized physical therapy and medical care to meet my dad's needs, and that he could age in place without having to move to a nursing home. Now, in an email dated 2/25/02 Bill O'Connor, Administrator states that because APH is an assisted living home it does "not provide intensive medical services, such as skilled PT or rehabilitative PT to residents. Such skilled health care can be provided off premises, as is the case for Mr. Margeson with Providence Outpatient Physical Therapy". However, without transportation, my dad cannot attend physical therapy off premises. Furthermore, if my dad were receiving adequate exercise/ daily range of motion he would not need rehabilitative physical therapy (HCFA says becoming immobile is an indication of neglect). Because the Home does not provide the promised services, my twice daily visits are spent massaging my dad's painful hand contractures, providing range of motion exercises, providing standing therapy, providing hydration, providing activity/exercise such as ball tossing, and feeding him; there is little time to simply relax and be his daughter. The Home continues to hire administrators, and cut the direct care CNA staff. With diminished services, free access to medical transportation is crucial.

My dad needs funding to pay for the administration of his nutritional supplements - a service promised in writing prior to admission, but no longer provided. This service is provided by other assisted living homes, nursing homes, and the hospital, when doctor ordered, which is the case with my father. I have hired a health care provider at a nominal amount to provide this service. A small portion of my dad's \$2000 social

security benefit would cover the cost, but the Pioneer Homes will allow him to use these funds for medical expenses. There is a grant program available to residents on the stipend, but my dad has been repeatedly denied funding. The Permanent Fund, which is his "safety net", has been spent to pay for this service; his 2003 Permanent Fund is also spent, and he is destitute with no funds to pay for the service. By statute, a resident is allowed to choose his medical care and provider. My dad, son of Welsh-English immigrants, has taken nutritional supplements all of his life. At my dad's Care Conference 9/14/01, APH administration took away the administration of these supplements, which they had administered since 1997, claiming that Nursing Board Minutes dated Dec. 1998 precluded them from providing that service. Long-term Care Ombudsman J.R. Richards, Esq. termed this taking away of services (administering nutritional supplements, and transportation to Outpatient PT) retaliation for the Violation the Pioneer Home received on 8/21/01. I believe this was the Home's first Violation: my handicapped father, who cannot talk/push a call button/summon help, was left painfully restrained on a portable commode for one hour, as documented by video.

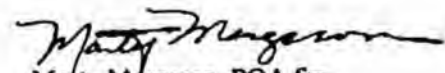
APH has pressured my dad's physician to cancel the order for his nutritional supplements, which she has refused to do because of the health benefits to my dad. Where, in your Safety Net Programs are there funds to pay his health care provider for continued service?

My father, an All-American soccer player, suffers pain from past injuries - for years the orthoped successfully prescribed use of APH's whirlpool/Jacuzzi for pain management. Without this service, my dad's brow is furrowed in pain, and he sleeps fitfully. APH's recent remodel replaced the whirlpool with expensive hi-tech sonic skin scaler tubs, which do not provide whirlpool pain management benefits. Without medical transportation, I have been unable to determine if my dad should find an off-premise Jacuzzi, seek massage therapy, or take pain medication, which the doctor is reluctant to prescribe because of possible interactions with other medications. Cost of additional medications/services will increase stipend debt for the Pioneer Homes. Replacing the sonic skin scaler tub with the whirlpool is a cost-effective kinder Eden-like way of treating our Seniors. Are there funds available in your Safety Net for my dad's pain management Jacuzzi?

Budget cutting is necessary, but not at the expense of care for our Seniors. Hiring more administrators and cutting direct care/providing insufficient direct care staff is not the way we should treat Alaskans. Trimming the budget should mean prioritizing services - certainly, a resident should not be denied medical care. How we treat our elders defines the type of care we will receive in our old age. My dad is a proud Veteran - I hope your Safety Net Programs can provide immediate assistance and save him from the embarrassment of seeking funds through church or VFW fundraisers to pay for his medical needs: medical transportation, administration of nutritional supplements, and pain management whirlpool/Jacuzzi therapy. I appreciate your time and look forward to a response from you regarding these issues.

CC: Loren Leman, Lt. Governor
Senator Hollis French
Senator Eric Croft
Senator Lyda Green
Senator Gary Wilkens
Senator Fred Dyson
Senator Gretchen Guess
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Representative Con Bunde
Representative Max Gruenberg
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Sincerely,


Marty Margeson, POA for
Ret. Lt Commander William Margeson

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Hi my name is William Trader
from EMBARK with bag of 80 gts.

According to Governor Frank
H. Murkowski Letter 18,000 Alaskans

Alaskans are battling about their
income from longevity bonus.

Although is the intent to be cut off
if Murkowski cut the income

of elders from longevity bonus,
The question will be, with what

money will pay their FVAC bills?
with what money are going to buy

fuel? with what money are they
going to buy groceries?

If our Governor Frank H.
Murkowski give OK's to the

legislators to go ahead to cut the
program off, I William Trader

will call him # 100 27 5660000.
Thank you for your cooperation

William Trader

Respectfully

William Trader

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April 10, 2003

Senator Gary Wilken
State Capitol Building
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Gary Wilkin:

I appreciate your letter of March 24, presenting your questions about elimination of the Longevity Bonus Program.

1] How did we get here?

Alaska is a strange state. Someone wanted to reward older residents who had been residents for 35[?] years, presumably because they had stuck by the territory and state and helped to make it what it was. Then someone else yelled that was unfair, the courts upheld the opinion, and anyone 65 or older became eligible. I was one of the latter. I had a twinge of conscience, having done nothing to merit the check, but \$250. was a great boost to independence, difficult to refuse.

2] What is the profile of the recipients?

I have no idea. Some are doubtless saved from destitution. Some probably would not miss the \$250. or lesser amounts now issued. Some, like me, are able to indulge in extras like a ticket to an Arts Association performance, a contribution to a local charity, a Fax to my legislator. As to how to determine who would be negatively affected by elimination of the Longevity Bonus, I leave that to those who know how.

3] Should the program be "needs-based"?

Sure. There are standard poverty levels. The applicant would submit a copy of his/her tax return or affidavit verifying his income.

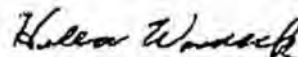
4] Should we do a rapid wind-down of the program vs. just cutting it off?

Maybe. I don't like the idea.

5] If we are going to continue the program, where should we get the revenue to fund it?

State income tax. I don't agree with Governor Murkowski's reason for rejection, which is that states that have an income tax have not done well fiscally. Alaska could have an income tax based on a percentage of the federal tax. New residents would, in effect, be paying something to offset the increasing costs of services and the PFD. Non-resident workers would contribute a sizeable share.

Thank you for the opportunity to have a say.


Helen Womack

8 APRIL 03

(A)

Senator Stevens

I would like to express my views on the Governor's request to end the Longevity Bonus program.

I have written to the Governor and received his statements on the Program.

He is using the much overused, abused, and inane excuse that this is unfair. This reason can be advanced for every possible program or action that can be taken. It all depends on your personal circumstance. Everything proposed brings protests, court actions etc.

The governor says among other things very few of the original pioneers whom the legislature sought to benefit in 1972 are among the present group. I am one of them since I arrived in Alaska in May 1943.

If the program had continued as it was first set up the cost would be quite low by now since many of us have passed on.

A man and wife, young smart-Alec attorneys saw their chance to make a large advance for themselves. They claimed that the program was unfair and so, in the state courts, the program was changed so that all persons over 65 who have lived in Alaska for more than one year should be entitled to the bonus payments. They succeeded in their endeavor. Were they personally rewarded for this? You better believe they were. Were we old timers responsible for this? Certainly not. Then many people seeing a way to get money sent for their senior relatives to come to Alaska to get in on the payments. Were we old timers responsible for that?

Since this raised the costs greatly the legislature worked out a plan to phase out the program. Thus there are some who get a lesser amount, and those who became 65 after December 31st 1996 were not eligible thus beginning a phaseout of the program as those who were getting bonuses left or passed away.. Again the governor points out that this is unfair.

My opinion is that this is a cheap shot. A quick and easy way to reduce state spending because it affects only a very small number of voters. Most of the rest of the population could care less. Let me show you how silly this NOT FAIR idea is.

When the big oil strike was made the state received nine hundred million in lease money. This was more than our wildest dreams. One of our legislators, from Homer, said that we should save it all and use the interest to help pay state costs. Of course he was ignored. If he had been listened to at the time our permanent fund would today be able to fund everything we could possibly need. Instead we used the subsequent income for every possible dumb idea that could be thought of. Did we old timers do this? A few examples would be the farming project, the Dairy project, the export ideas.

It was not long before the state was spending all of the huge oil income but that was not enough, Then they began spending not from what had been received from the year before but from what was currently coming in. The it was anticipated income, then it was selling bonds which meant that the interest increased the total costs.

I do not know what happened in the rest of the state but I saw some of the idiocy in Anchorage. The Performing Arts Center built at a horrendous cost with such items as the notorious and very costly roof coating which required major repair, Special carpeting that make one wish to throw up just looking at it. Then more recently they spent a large sum to put in a sky bridge from the Egan center which is very sparsely used. Also when the PAC was completed inspector found that many, costly, corrections were needed. Why were these not done as it was being built? Then there is the Egan Center. Again a very expensive building that operates at a loss. It costs so much for space in it that it is empty a lot of the time. The Sullivan Arena and the Ben Boeke Ice Arena. Do they pay their way? The Sullivan has to have extensive work done. Why? because some stupid jerks decided to build in a flood plain. Were we old timers responsible for any of this?

There is a very large building not far from where we live, For a long time no one knew what it was. We finally found out it was supposed to be a fish processing plant and a lot of state money was invested in it but it was and is a failure. I have been told that a small part of it is now being used but the state has recently poured another large sum into it. Did we old timers do this? Another ongoing project is the extension of the Anchorage Coastal Trail. I am told that this will cost another thirty seven million dollars, Some say it will be more. This, as in the foregoing examples will be used by only a small segment of the population. Is that Fair? At 85 and 79 do you think that my wife and I will be found jogging the length of that trail and meeting other seniors on it? Of course we have the equal right of access but you are not going to see more than a small portion of the younger citizens using it.

I drive a 1996 Ford Ranger. I see that some folks can drive a Cadillac or a Hummer. Is that Fair?

I hope that by now you will be able to understand how silly this "Fair" idea is. This is not a "Fair" world and never has been, and never will be. As I see it the state of Alaska made a commitment to us and as long as you all see fit to pour huge sums into ridiculous and worthless projects I think that you should continue to fulfill your promises to us pioneers for whatever amount of time we may have left.

I have been retired since 1977. My Medicare and Health benefits cost \$124 per month. In addition each prescription brings another \$35 charge. No dental coverage. Nothing for hearing aids at \$6400. No coverage for glasses.

I have been able to make donations to charitable causes and to Republican activities but that could change.

I will make copies of this letter and send them to your finance committee members. I hope that you will have time to consider it.

Norval M. Kane

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Norval M Kane

12 MARCH 03

Governor Murkowski,

I am using a type roter because at 85 my penmanship is not very good. Your efforts to balance the state budget includes the elimination of Longevity payments to senior citizens. As a recipient of that program I respectfully disagree with that idea.

I came to Alaska in May, 1943. I was employed by the US Navy as an aircraft mechanic at Pensacola. A new Naval Air Station was being opened at Kodiak. One other man and myself offered to go there to help operate the gacility. Among other things I became an expert on the PBY Catalina amphibian planes. In 1945 I was inducted into the US Army and sent to Fort Richardson. I was then assigned to aircraft' repair at Elmendorf. At that time the 10th Air Rescue Squadron was using PBYs, In the AAF thet were called OA-10s. Because of my experience with the planes I was in charge of a crew working on them. After discharge in 1947 I went back to the Naval station at Kodiak. In 1950 I transferred to Elmendorf to work for the Air Force. This' of couse was Civil Service. I was in Flight Test until 1952 when I completed training in Aircraft Weight and Balance. I was then appointed as the Aircraft WWeight & balance Inspector for Elmendorf. I was responsible for that part of aircraft safety for an average of 90 to 100 aircraft stationed at Elmendorf. I forget to metion that while in the AAF at Elmendorf my aircraft inspector was Wally Hicckel. I maintained the Weight and Balance records and ewquipment as well as the microfilmed engineering library.

I retired in 1977 qith a total of 35 years 10 months of comnined service.

You know as well as I that the years as a territory and the early years of statehood presented a lot of difficulties. With the discovery of oil on the slope things changed a lot. That first 900 million was more than had been dreamed of. A represntative from Home, Mr Hillstrand advised against spending any of it. We should onvest it and usr the interest. They invested some and did a bad job since they quickly lost about a third of it. It has been that way ever since. Governor Hammond got soem of the mess staightened out so we are better off than we would have bee. However, one enormous boondoggle after another has wasted billions. My I point out that the senior citizens did not cause this to happen.

In Anchorage (I do not know what happened in other towns) we built' the PAC, The Eagan Center, The Sullivan and Ben Boeke arenas among other projects. All of these cost more to operate than they bring in. How close they are to being paid for we do not know.

With huge amounts of oil money coming in the powers that be in our state managed to spend it all, then started spending on what was coming in next year. That was not enough so they started selling bonds to meet their projects aims. That means that ypu have to pay interest on them. A complet loass any way you look at it.

Again, retired seniors did not cause this.

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The grain raising project, the Dairy Project, and several others are examples of massive errors. The latest one in Anchorage is the expensive and so far useless fish processing building which is costing a large amount of money.

The Longevity bonus system was and is a great help to seniors. Of course if that had been left alone the amounts needed would have been much reduced by now as the recipients passed away. But a couple of smart aleck lawyers decided that this was not fair and that anyone who had lived in Alaska for one year should also be entitled to it. Fair, depends upon who is talking about it.

This has never been and never will be a Fair world.

This proposal is going to save the state 47 million a year. I doubt that very much. That money, and the yearly dividend payments are regarded as income by the Federal Government and thus taxes must be paid on them.

The seniors who are getting the Longevity Bonus use and spend that money thus contributing to the business economy. In addition they also spend additional amounts of whatever funds they have available.

In my personal case I do not get Social Security, just my retirement funds. I do have Medicare and Blue Cross coverage due to the fact that my wife was qualified. I lost Dorothy to cancer in 1998.

We had been long time friends of Jim and Jean Poor. Jean lost Jim to heart problems some time back. We have since gotten together to help each other and we got married on Sept 24, 2001.

My monthly retirement is reduced by \$58.70 to Medicare and \$98.93 to Blue Cross. In addition Blue Cross (MEDCO) charges and additional \$35 for each prescription they fill. Jean and I each pay just under \$3000 each year for long care insurance. This will tend to keep us from losing everything and becoming paupers for the state to support in case we do require that sort of help.

The thought is that seniors do not pay taxes. Let me point out that all businesses pay taxes. A business must make a profit or go under. That means that every purchase, no matter what it is, must pay more so that the business can pay its taxes and survive. As for getting along without a vehicle that is not an option in Anchorage which is designed for them. Bus system is totally inadequate to accommodate the need for transportation. We could not afford to have a really useable system such as in Seattle. I must also pay my own dental work. Just had my hearing tested. The new hearing aids are priced at \$7400. No coverage for that either.

One of the big topics right now in Anchorage is the Coastal Trail Extension. I am told that this will cost \$37 million. This will be used by only a small percent of the population just as the trails are used now. Enormous sums are asked for schools. Schools in which vandalism is rampant. Schools also must spend time and money on security and now even three of the local high schools are to have two police officers stationed in them. None of this should be necessary.

I am a long time Republican and do not intend to change. To the best of my ability I have contributed often to may Republican activities. You will find my name in a lot of their records, The RNC, the NRCC, Contributions to our US Congressional team etc. I have even recieved formal invitations to White House dinners. These of course are impossible for us to attend. we cannot afford such cossts. My contributions cannot be large ones but every bit does help. I voted for you and would gladly do so again. However I am not sure that I could spare funds for political donations to continue. If we senior citizens are not carrying our share of the burden neither are we the cause of the problems. There are some who wish that we should all go away and die somewhere else. I do not intend to leave Alaska.

I think that you made a n excellent choice in appoinying your daughter to become a US Senator. I certainly disagree with her thoughts on a few things but I believe she will be a most excellent and intelligent senator and thus I will support her. I do not know what power you have as governor but I do hope that you can find a way to stop some of the things that are going on. I would hope that you could find something better that the seniors bonus to cloes down. I do not think that what will result in the savings you have been led to believe would happen.

Sincerely,

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4/18/03

To: Senator Lyda Green
Cc: Senator Wilken and other members of the Finance Committee
From: Carter Crawford, concerned constituent and ardent supporter of our Interior delegation, especially our Senators!
RE: Human Services Matching Grant and Longevity Bonus

Please hold to the Senate position and cut the Bonus. My thoughts:

Like the PFD, it is a bonus not an entitlement

You may have heard from 500 to up to 1000 seniors who want it left in. Where are the 16,500 who get it who are not complaining? They are accepting it.

Of those in real need, they can get it from the state. Even if that cost \$17M you still save \$30M

This issue has a lot to do with the name. What if the state had called it Senior State Assistance, or Senior Welfare replacement or Senior Living Coupons? Then according to most of the protesters that would be beneath their dignity and they would not have cashed the checks.

In every other state and for all of us for whom this gift is not available, we have had to plan without it, and even to think maybe no social security. I do not think we should be rewarding those who did not plan, used the state for their support and never gave a thought to the fact that a bonus is not a state welfare requirement.

Finally I am amused these folks threaten to leave the state. Where are they going to go? If they can not afford the loss, how and where are going to move. Again, they have not planned or they would realize their tax obligation outside is going to double at the least and more likely quadruple.

Read the latest AARP Magazine and see how seniors in Colorado are coping with an unexpected and dramatic increase in property taxes. They are showing me the kind of grit and ingenuity I thought our seniors had.

Of the \$30M savings PLEASE reconsider your position on the Matching Grant. I am a fiscally conservative somewhat moderate Republican and when I say this is the state's best investment I mean it. You save money, a lot of money by giving just \$1.7M to the non-profits. They do the work for you and more important they build programs that reduce and even eliminate the need for welfare from the state. It is the best model for a state, municipality and local business partnership you have. And it should be used as the model for more state programs.

Also keep in mind that several agencies support the very seniors who are complaining to you now about the Bonus!

You want to cut state spending first. This is the best way to accomplish this.

Also I am going to commit political heresy and tell you to hold the line on education. I understand a group is meeting Wed night that has facts and figures on the waste and abuse in administration. I want education dollars to go to programs and teachers and when the administration costs are the problem then the only way to stop it is to not give them any more money and see where they really cut. They threaten by suggesting programs they know will cause a big outcry, but in the end they will cut administration. When I went to public school we had no after school activities unless the parents wanted to volunteer or send us to private lessons. We did not even have sports or exercise until 7th grade. Now we property owners must bare the entire cost of sending miss muffet to trumpet lessons. Give me a break and make the parents pay for it.

HUMAN SERVICES
Child Find of America
FIDE \$95

FNDR \$2 ADMIN \$6 RES -\$4
Child Find works to resolve the more than 20,000 missing-child cases that are reported to it each year. It performs in-house investigations and mediates between warring spouses in cases involving children abducted by a parent. Founded in 1980, it is the only group that specifically targets the prevention of parental abductions, which account for 354,000 of the nearly 1 million reported annual missing-child cases in the country.
ANNUAL REVENUE \$253,000
800-426-5678, www.childfindofamerica.org

Children's Defense Fund
FIDE \$50

FNDR \$5 ADMIN \$9 RES \$35
Under the leadership of president and founder Marian Wright Edelman, the Children's Defense Fund is a force that legislators ignore at their peril. It was the original advocate of the Act to Leave No Child Behind—pending legislation that strives to provide health insurance to all kids; expand Head Start; increase family-leave time; boost the minimum wage; increase tax benefits for families, particularly those with low incomes; and prevent youthful offenders from being locked up with adults.
ANNUAL REVENUE \$22.2 MIL
202-628-8787, www.childrensdefense.org

Child Welfare League of America
FIDE \$88

FNDR \$2 ADMIN \$3 RES \$8
The League guides 1,165 member agencies devoted to improving the lives of at-risk kids through abuse prevention, youth development, child care, adoption and foster care programs, and programs for pregnant and parenting teens. It writes national standards for the agencies and helps them deliver their services more efficiently.
ANNUAL REVENUE \$19.1 MIL
202-638-2952, www.cwla.org

Communities in Schools
FIDE \$89

FNDR \$5 ADMIN \$13 RES \$6
CIS brings critical children's

resources such as health clinics, mentoring programs, rape counseling, and vocational training to where the kids are—school. It has come to 2,300 schools nationwide, reaching 1.4 million school-children, and, in the process, freeing teachers to teach. It was co-founded by a school dropout in 1977, as Cities in Schools.
ANNUAL REVENUE \$8.9 MIL
800-247-4543, www.cisnet.org

Family Violence Prevention Fund
FIDE \$75

FNDR \$2 ADMIN \$2 RES \$22
Thirty-one percent of American women say they've been physically or sexually abused by a partner. The Family Violence Prevention Fund is trying to stop the horror and make life better for victims. It provides translators for non-English-speaking victims, advises judges, educates health care professionals, and counsels employers of abused workers.
ANNUAL REVENUE \$8.3 MIL
415-252-8900, www.endabuse.org

Girl Scouts of the USA
FIDE \$84

FNDR \$1 ADMIN \$9 RES \$5
The premier scouting group for girls teaches valuable life skills while building self-esteem. It helps 3.7 million girls, ages 5 to 17, broaden their horizons through math and science initiatives, sports, environmental projects, and contact with high-profile women such as senators. It recently introduced new badges to reflect what modern girls do.
ANNUAL REVENUE \$67.3 MIL
800-478-7248, www.girlscouts.org

Girls Inc.
FIDE \$63

FNDR \$12 ADMIN \$13 RES \$13
It's here to make girls "strong, smart, and bold." Girls Inc. programs promote academic goals

in economic literacy, math, and science, along with social ones such as avoiding pregnancy, drugs, and violence. Originally the Girls Clubs of America, started in 1864, Girls Inc. redefined itself in 1990 when the Boys Clubs of America expanded to include both sexes.
ANNUAL REVENUE \$8.9 MIL
800-374-4475, www.girlshc.org

Goodwill Industries International
FIDE \$84

FNDR \$0.01 ADMIN \$15 RES \$1
Goodwill helps the unemployed—chiefly the disabled and disadvantaged unemployed—train for and find jobs, either inside the organization (running the thrift shops whose profits make up half its operating revenue) or outside. To remove barriers to employment, it provides child care, transportation, counseling, and life-skills training.
ANNUAL REVENUE \$22.3 MIL
800-664-6577, www.goodwill.org

Habitat for Humanity
FIDE \$65

FNDR \$19 ADMIN \$4 RES \$13
Donors and recipients both make an investment in this feel-good program. Donors supply materials and some labor; recipients put in sweat equity for a down payment on a home, with an average price of \$49,000. In its fiscal year 2000, Habitat for Humanity built 18,468 homes worldwide, bringing its total to 120,000 since 1976. Having former president Jimmy Carter so closely identified with the project is a PR coup.
ANNUAL REVENUE \$165.1 MIL
800-422-4828, www.habitat.org

Mothers Against Drunk Driving
FIDE \$66

FNDR \$14 ADMIN \$12 RES \$8
After her 4-year-old died when a

drunk driver rear-ended her car, Millie Webb helped start MADD; she is now its national president. Since 1980, when MADD was founded, its 600-odd chapters have lobbied successfully for the passage of 2,300 drunk-driving and underage-drinking-prevention laws and created the campaign that has made "designated driver" a household phrase. In 1980, 28,000 Americans a year were killed by drunk drivers. Now that number is down to 16,000.
ANNUAL REVENUE \$46.9 MIL
800-438-6233, www.madd.org

Ms. Foundation for Women
FIDE \$47

FNDR \$7 ADMIN \$10 RES \$36
The group is dedicated to helping create economic opportunities for low-income women by funding community-based organizations that press for better wages and working conditions. It assists coalitions that push for increased services for women on welfare and backs groups that monitor domestic-abuse cases. Its flow of funds to programs appears low due to multiyear grants that are temporarily restricted for use.
ANNUAL REVENUE \$16.7 MIL
212-742-2300, www.ms.foundation.org

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children
FIDE \$83

FNDR \$4 ADMIN \$3 RES \$10
The Center is the brainchild of John Walsh, host of the television program *America's Most Wanted*, whose son Adam was abducted and murdered at age 6. Founded nearly 20 years ago, the Center created the first nationwide missing-children emergency-response system by coordinating the efforts of law enforcement agencies, legislators, educators, and the public. More than 16,000 retail stores such as Wal-Mart and Home Depot, as well as museums and

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To: Honorable Gary Wilken From: William Trader, Elder

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Comments:

HONORABLE GARY WILKEN
 DEAR WILKEN

MY NAME IS WILLIAM TRADER FROM EMMONOK
 AK. WITH AGE OF EIGHTY (80) YEARS. I NEED
 YOUR HELP DESPERATELY ABOUT WHAT OUR
 GOVERNOR'S LETTER CONCERNING LONGEVITY BONUS.

ACCORDING TO GOVERNOR MURKOWSKI'S LETTER
 THERE ARE EIGHTEEN THOUSAND (\$18,000) SENIORS
 IN AK. ARE GOING TO CUT OFF FROM LONGEVITY
 PROGRAM.

NOW, IF GOVERNOR CUT OFF THE LONGEVITY
 PROGRAM, THERE IS A QUESTION # ONE (1) WITH
 WHAT MONEY WILL ELDER BUY FUEL TO HEAT
 UP THEIR HOUSE, #2 WITH WHAT MONEY WILL
 THEY PAY THEIR LIGHT BILLS OR COOK? # THREE (3)
 WITH WHAT MONEY WILL THEY BUY GROCERIES?
 YOU SEE, \$250.00 MAY SOUND NOT MUCH, BUT ITS
 BIG HELP, CAUSE COST OF LIVING COST HIGH,
 ESPECIALLY TO THOSE WHO ARE DISABLED AND CAN
 NOT DO ANY THING TO HELP THEMSELVES.

SO, WE SENIORS OF AK NEED OUR INCOME
 FROM LONGEVITY, JUST AS MUCH GOVERNOR NEEDS
 HIS MONEY COMING TO HIM, UNLESS IF GOVERNOR
 DONT CARE ABOUT HIS PEOPLE LIKE SADDAM,
 THEN HE SHALL BE CALLED # TWO (2) SADDAM.
 THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

Sincerely
 William Trader

Errollyn M. Casey
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Senate Finance Committee
Co-Chair

Re Longevity Funding
and Budget Bill

Dear Senator Wilken:

Attached is a copy of an earlier letter
re freezing eligibility of further recipients
of the Longevity Bonus who do not need
it now but are loath to give it up forever
in case their circumstances deteriorate.

Please also consider distinguishing
between an "INCOME" test as is used in
eligibility for some programs and a "MEANS"
test that implies Welfare and pauperization.

We who truly can't make it without
our part of LBP are not seeking to
join Welfare nor to pauperize ourselves.

Please don't make us welfare cases.

That is demeaning. Many of us still
try our best to be self-sustaining.

The problem is that we were promised
and rely upon LBP and are now too old
or infirm to be able to move where it
may cost less to live.

Sincerely

Errollyn M. Casey

Attachments: 1 page.

FAX TO: Senator Gary
 Wilken, Co-chair
 Senate Finance Committee
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March 29, 2003

Senator John Cowdrey
 Member, Senate State Affairs Committee
 Member, Senate Finance Subcommittee
 re Governor

Re: Bill to Freeze
Eligibility for & Fund
Longevity Program 2004

Dear Senator Cowdrey:

Please consider the suggestions in my letter and it's attachments even though I am not from your district.

Your remarks during the first committee hearing on SB 117 cause me to believe you would be among those Legislators most likely to understand that a bill such as that suggested below would be a humane and rational way to treat the crisis that looms over all of us truly dependent on the payments we receive--and get the Governor and the Republican majority off the hot seat the issue has created.

Of first importance to the program's present beneficiaries is, of course, putting funding for the fiscal year that begins July 1st, 2003, in place. You have heard a great deal already on the urgency of seeing that is done.

Next, if the bill makes it possible for those recipients who, at present, are in circumstances such that they could opt out of the program without losing eligibility to return so it later if their circumstances change and finances deteriorate, you might well create a self-administering and non-bureaucratic form of practical "means testing."
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Such a bill might even be a vehicle to recreate some of the bipartisanship so noticeably lacking so far in this session where leaders of the Minority have not even been inside the Governor's office according to statements in press briefings

As for "trade-offs" HB 11 from Representative Rokeberg does appear to be a viable incremental step forward in easing fiscal gap dilemmas.

cc: Senate and House Majority
 and Minority leaders, Rep. Norman
 Rokeberg, Chairs House and Senate
 State Affairs and Finance, and
 Governor Murkowski

Very sincerely,

Eva Lyn M. Casey
 E. M. Casey

PS: Please delete or defeat SB 117 and HB 158

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March 21, 2003

March 25, 2003

Senator Gary Wilken
Senate Bill 117

It sometimes amazes me as to how fast people forget about our pioneers. Just to let you know, I do not receive the Longevity Bonus, I am only sixty-four years old and have lived in Fairbanks since nineteen sixty nine and therefore do not qualify.

My only concern is the pioneers that are on a fixed budget. The bonus acts as a supplement to their Social Security Benefits and to help pay for their Medicare prescriptions. Depriving them of a supplement as small as \$250.00 means a lot to them and please do not kid yourself, there are a lot of them out there.

I checked my social security benefits, factored in my living cost, placed myself on a fixed budget and decided to see if I could live in Alaska after I retired. My budget didn't last one month when my vehicles broke down costing me seven hundred dollars to repair. There went that budget.

The point is simple; not everyone has a nice retirement. The best retirements have been given to the people in the school systems, government workers and union workers.

I feel that our pioneers should be rewarded and encouraged to stay in Alaska for the sake of Alaska. I myself will probably have to move to a warmer climate. In the mean time I will tell you like I told Joe Hayes, don't mess with the permanent fund dividend unless you're looking for another job. I will say the same thing to you when you start taking things away from the pioneers. The thing that you want to remember is.... can you afford to give up votes. My family votes every time and my front yard becomes a billboard on how we feel.

I have one suggestion: If you wish to save dollars, reduce government, I understand that the State of Alaska is some thirty thousand strong and still growing.

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Yours truly

Kenneth D Brewer
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March 13, 2003

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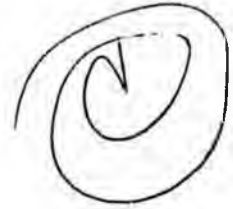
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Sincerely,

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Letty V. Hummel

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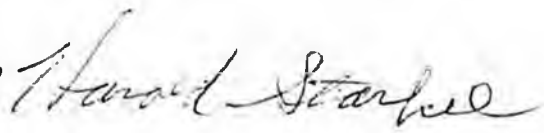
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Geoffrey C. Bankhauser



3034 Riverview Drive
Fairbanks, AK 99709
March 31, 2003

Senator Gary Wilken
State Capitol Building
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Senator Wilken,

Thank you for your letter of March 24, 2003 concerning your ideas on the Longevity Bonus. I will try to answer at least some of your questions.

First let me tell you a little about myself. I have lived in Fairbanks since 1947, and am a retired widow. For the past 48 years I have lived at 3034 Riverview Drive, and had hoped to live out the rest of my years here where all my children were raised. But, in order to do that I need the Longevity Bonus to help pay the bills.

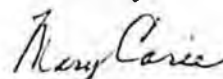
Originally the Longevity Bonus was established to reward seniors over 65, who had lived in Alaska for 25 years or more. Then as the result of a law suit that claimed discrimination, eligibility was enlarged to include all residents over 65, if they had lived here for at least one year. Then in 1996 the legislature passed a bill to phase out these benefits, but allowed those receiving it to continue getting it until their death. The Seniors planned accordingly and thought this was going to be the end of it. When my husband died 16 years ago that was a blow to my finances, but I have managed to stay in my home with the help of the Longevity Bonus.

Just in the past few months my heating oil has gone from \$1.10 to \$1.37 per gallon. My homeowners insurance has increased \$80.00 a year, plus groceries and many other necessities have also gone up in price.

I realize that the State must raise money to cover the budget but I do not think the Seniors should be hit so hard when many of them are too old or too ill to go back to work.

I would be in favor of re-establishing the School Tax and possibly increasing it. Also how about instituting a six month sales tax or a state income tax. Most states have one. Either of these would be more fair than wiping out the Longevity Bonus that the old folks need. No one is going to hire a 75 year old when so many younger workers are available.

Sincerely,


Mary Carie

North Star Council on Aging, Inc.
Senior Center
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1424 Moore St. ♦ Fairbanks, AK 99701
Phone (907) 452-1735 ♦ Fax (907) 451-9974



FAX COVER SHEET

TO: Seniors of the Senior Center
FROM: NSCA

DATE: 3/19/03

PHONE NUMBER: 907-451-4714

URGENT REPLY PLEASE COMMENT PLEASE REVIEW FYI

ATTENDING TO REQUEST OF THE COMMUNITY
AND THE SENIORS COMMUNITY MEETING

Thank You

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P.O. Box 73277
Fairbanks, AK 99707
March 21, '03

Dear Gary,

Thank you for all that you do to so ably serve all of us. Your accessibility and common sense is greatly appreciated.

Please allow me to share my opinion on the following issues:

① Longevity Bonus - Please support keeping it in place for our seniors. We made this promise to them to honor their contributions and to keep them at home in Alaska. I support Gov. Markowski BUT

I find it unconscionable to even consider cutting the budget in this area. I would think that our senior citizens find it stressful to even have to ponder this possibility.

Seniors have no way to make up the difference in their household budgets.

They have counted on this amount - need based or not - to balance their finances.

In my opinion, it's shameful to even suggest going back on our promise to them.

② Education Funding - Please continue your leadership role for full funding and please continue to point out that added resources are needed to meet our accountability challenges. You have consistently

championed this cause and it is appreciated.

Educators - such as Bob and I - are so thankful that you are willing to make the personal and professional sacrifices necessary to represent us in Juneau. You consistently demonstrate that you "get it" about education and I know that you do. (I sometimes think that I "read" Smart Sue's influence in your on-the-mark comments, too. Bless her!)

③ Re-hiring retired educators - This makes sense to me. I am exploring SB 20 and SB 145 to see if all of the language is agreeable but I know that I support the concept. We need the experience of seasoned educators to mentor newer professionals, especially in

this era of increased accountability, and
we need the best people we can get to
fill positions, rural and urban.

Thank you for listening.

Again, your service is appreciated.

Best regards to you, Sue, and family.

Sincerely,

Colleen & Bob Johnston

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April 7, 2003

Dear Legislator:

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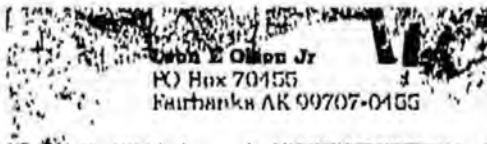
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Sincerely,

Leon G. Olson Jr.



ALASKA WATCH DOG

Proposed Cuts

We have 20 Senators and 40 Representatives in our State Legislature. While they are in Juneau they are each given a \$160.00/day per diem. A few years ago they only wanted to spend 90 days or 3 months in session and not the 180 days or 6 months that they currently do. Let's grant them that request. It would mean a saving of \$864,000.00 each and every year. This would be a start in reducing the deficit. And while they are at it why not look at all the other agencies and departments instead of just one or two. They could take a 10% cut right across the board.

During the height of the pipeline we all did well. Everyone received good salaries. But now the pipeline and good times are over. Everyone except the politicians and state employees have since had to receive harsh cut backs or lost their jobs outright. In fact the politicians and state employees have never had to cut back and have actually enjoyed raises and better pay. It's time that the politicians and state employees also feel the pinch and start cinching in their own belts. The elderly, middle and low-income people should no longer be the only ones to shoulder the burden of a gluttonous government.

Don't let the politicians put a guilt trip on you either about putting your children in debt. The politicians are the ones that are guilty of that. They have never kept their political promises and now they want to ruin the economy for all Alaskans.

Start keeping a little black book with names, promises and actions. At the next election take a good look at your notes. Don't make the same mistake twice.

Melvin L. Tressler
5714 Howell Road
Salcha, Alaska 99714
907-488-7722

ALASKA WATCH DOG

Longevity Bonus

There are 3,845 old timers in the Fairbanks/North Star Borough. At \$200.00/month the Borough cash registers can receive \$9,228,000.00 a year.

Permanent Fund

The Fairbanks/North Star Borough has a population of 82,700 people. At \$1,500.00/year the Borough cash registers can receive \$124,000,000.00 a year.

Both Funds

With over \$9 million from the Longevity Fund and \$124 million from the Permanent Fund the Fairbanks/North Star Borough can receive up to \$133 million a year through their cash registers.

I ask the business people...are you ready to give up that money (\$133 million/year) of potential revenue? What can the state do to even come close to giving you that much? More than likely it will end up in one or more programs that will never affect your bottom line. It may even end up in some "Pork Barrel" Deal.

Do not; do not forget Representative Pett Kott and his ridiculous statement about the Permanent Fund...worse thing the State could have done. I say his political career is over. Do you agree? Let him know.

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY TRANSMITTAL SHEET

TO: Senator Gary Wilken, Chair FROM: Fran/Fbx LIO
COMPANY: Senate Finance Committee DATE: 4/4/2003
FAX NUMBER: 465-4714
PHONE NUMBER: 465-3709 FAXED ON: 04/04/2003
RE: Written Comments on SB 117 TELECONFERENCED ON:

URGENT FOR REVIEW PLEASE COMMENT PLEASE R'PLY PLEASE RECYCLE

NOTES/COMMENTS:

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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate State Affairs
 Committee on SB117 Committee Name
Dated 04/04/03
 Bill / Subject

The Longevity Bonus should continue as it is right now for many reasons:

- (1) According to the Alaska Commission on Aging "seniors make up one of the Largest Industries in terms of impact on the state economy through their spending, and their spending has a multiplier effect for every dollar of retirement income spent."
- (2) The Longevity Program is the only state program that will eliminate itself by people dying off.
- (3) Elimination of the Longevity Program may well be just enough reason for senior citizens to leave Alaska, taking all their retirement savings income, social security income and pension income with them to be spent down below.
- (4) The state will be losing many free contributed hours performed in public service by those retired people who have felt that donating public service time is a way of pay-back to the state.

I believe the state needs to:

- (1) Establish an annual \$100 per person school tax for all working people and for persons receiving the Longevity Bonus.
- (2) Establish a sales tax so that all can share tax burdens.
- (3) Establish an income tax with possible credit of some part of the sales tax on low-income people.

The above three items would spread the tax burden over more people.

These ideas and thoughts are respectfully submitted. Let's hold the Longevity Bonus Seniors up here as long as we can. Going to be a 38-year Alaskan
 SIGNED: Sam Washke come fall and hope to stay many more years.

Testifier

Representing

229 Iditarod, Fairbanks, AK 99701 (907) 456-5063
 Address / Phone Number



ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate State Affairs
Committee on SB 117 Dated April 4, 03
Bill / Subject

I am strongly opposed to removing the Longevity Bonus from Seniors who have been led to believe they could count on it. This program will end naturally before too long. Meanwhile, it enables and encourages the older seniors to retire in Alaska and spend any retirement income they have here. Without the bonus, many seniors will move outside where living costs are lower, and take their retirement money with them.

I do support a combination of sales tax, income tax, and Permanent Fund Cap - so the cutting of programs and contributions to the State Budget are spread more equitably among those who live here, those who earn money here but spend it there they live out of state, and those who visit here and expect to pay a sales tax.

I have lived in Alaska for 37 years, and hope to able to stay.

SIGNED:

Ruth Woodke
Testifier Ruth Woodke

Representing

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FAX TO: Senator Gary *
Wilken, Co-chair
Senate Finance Committee
465 4714

FAX TO: 907 465 2069

Eva Lyn M. Casey
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March 29, 2003

Senator John Cowdrey
Member, Senate State Affairs Committee
Member, Senate Finance Subcommittee
re Governor

Re: Bill to Freeze
Eligibility for & Fund
Longevity Program 2004

Dear Senator Cowdrey:

Please consider the suggestions in my letter and it's
attachments even though I am not from your district.

Your remarks during the first committee hearing on SB 117
cause me to believe you would be among those Legislators
most likely to understand that a bill such as that
suggested below would be a humane and rational way to
treat the crisis that looms over all of us truly dependent
on the payments we receive--and get the Governor and the
Republican majority off the hot seat the issue has
created.

Of first importance to the program's present beneficiaries
is, of course, putting funding for the fiscal year that
begins July 1st, 2003, in place. You have heard a great
deal already on the urgency of seeing that is done.

Next, if the bill makes it possible for those recipients
who, at present, are in circumstances such that they could
opt out of the program without losing eligibility to return
to it later if their circumstances change and finances
deteriorate, you might well create a self-administrative
and non-bureaucratic form of practical "means testing."

Such a bill might even be a vehicle to recreate some of
the bipartisanship so noticeably lacking so far in this
session where leaders of the Minority have not even been
inside the Governor's office according to statements in
press briefings

As for "trade-offs" HB 11 from Representative Rokeberg
does appear to be a viable incremental step forward in
solving fiscal gap dilemmas.

cc: Senate and House Majority
and Minority leaders, Rep. Norman
Rokeberg, Chairs House and Senate

Very sincerely,

FAX TO: Senator Gary *
Wilken, Co-chair
Senate Finance Committee
465 4714

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URGENT MESSAGES TO LEGISLATORS

PLEASE FIND A WAY TO FAST TRACK SOME BILLS TO ASSURE US
THAT WE WILL HAVE THE CHECKS WE RELY UPON COME JULY 1st.

THE ATTACHED PAPERS OFFER SOME OF THE ARGUMENTS TO COUNTER
SB AND HB BILLS AGAINST THE VITAL LONGEVITY PROGRAM. PLEASE
READ AND CONSIDER THESE COUNTER ARGUMENTS AND THE IDEA FOR
A POSSIBLE BILL

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE RESPONDED TO EARLIER PAPERS
ALSO MEANT FOR PUBLIC TESTIMONY. YOU HELPED KEEP HOPE
ALIVE.

E. M. Casey

907 465-3805
4714

Finance Dept.

Seward Alaska
April 4 - 2003

Juneau

Sirs: - I am writing concerning the ~~Longevity~~ check that you want to take away from us. and timers. We are in uproar!! We came to Alaska in '20, '30, '40, '50's and it sure is a BIG hurt to us. Lots have no pensions to fall back on and any help Alaska can give us for staying here in State. as we grow older every day is a God-send. Many of us depend on this check for our medicines daily.

I sure hope you consider this issue very good as we are the ones that was here long before Statehood into a wild land.

There are many depending on your group to give a pleasing reply.

We represent many and awaiting a happy answer. To save more money we think the legislators should stay in Juneau until session over. No going home on weekends - Stay in Juneau and get the work done - That's what they are sent there for.

Our group voted 100% to send you this letter now. Seward Alaska Pioneer Igloo and Appalling # 9

Millie Sorenson



HENRIETTA WEEDA

April 5, 2003

Senator Gary Wilken
State Capitol Room 518
Juneau, AK 99801-1182
Fax: (907) 465-4714

Dear Senator Gary Wilken,

My name is Henrietta Weeda and I have lived in Alaska for almost 70 years. I have built a business, lived a life, and raised a family in this great state. My husband and I lived and worked in Palmer with the colonists, survived the lean year during and after World War II, rebuilt our lives after the Great Earthquake, and, after all of those years of struggle, saw many people benefit from the building of the pipeline.

When my husband and I retired we had a small retirement (which is now gone), our house, Social Security, and the Alaska Longevity Bonus.

Now I hear that Governor Murkowski wishes to eliminate this program, and I am outraged.

This program was a promise to those of us as thanks because of our generation's hard work in developing the economy of the state. This compact with my generation is something that I now depend on.

When we retired (my husband and I were both well past 65), medicine was expensive, but not as expensive as it is now. Medicare does not pay for prescriptions and I am finding that my options for access to doctors are becoming more and more limited. The Longevity check helps me immensely with this burden.

My generation's vision for Alaska was an Alaska that holds its promises to its citizens, an Alaska that honors its elders, an Alaska that is honest even in tough times. Keep these honorable ideas in mind while you deliberate. Please do not abandon the promise made to us years ago.

Yours truly,

Henrietta Weeda

Henrietta "Hank" Weeda

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DATE: April 4, 2003

TO: Senate Finance Committee

FAX: 465-2187

pages, including cover sheet

FROM: Virginia Cushing, Sitka constituent

MESSAGE: Please add this written testimony to SB 117 comm cket.

Thank you.

4-4-03

RE: LONGEVITY BONUS SB 117 TO: Senate Finance Committee

I did not send comments earlier as I am busy doing volunteer work every day of the week in Sitka----at our White Elephant Shop (and, in summer, also volunteer visitor information work).

Richard Cushing and I were married in Sitka in 1949, and liked Sitka so well we settled permanently even though it was hard being away from our Wisconsin families. We felt honored to pay income tax...as most states have such taxes.

My husband died 8-10-80 after 31 years with Sitka Telephone Company.

Having lived in Alaska ten years before Statehood I am one of those for whom the longevity bonus was intended. It's hurtful hearing administration spokespersons calling for abolishing the program because it is not now as it was intended.

A small annuity (15 years) of mine just ended. If the longevity bonus is taken away I will be short almost \$500 monthly income.

Frustration and worry about money can only have a negative effect on us in our 70s, 80s, and 90s. It may cause some of us to drop dead sooner of heart attacks but hope our fate won't be debilitating strokes -----THEY ARE REALLY COSTLY.

Virginia Z. Cushing
Virginia Z. Cushing
54-year Sitka resident

P.O. Box 186
Sitka, AK 99835

Telephone: 907-747-3326

cc: Rep. Peggy Wilson



Dear Senator,

Concerning the longevity bonus, the governor keeps talking about 65 year olds receiving \$ 250.00 per month. There are no 65 year olds receiving the bonus. I am 72 this month and I was told that no one would receive the bonus that was any younger than me. I receive \$ 100.00 per month. I am wondering if you want to go down in Alaska history as the legislature that took away benefits from the 72 to 92 year olds. Why eliminate a program that is in the process of being phased out ?

I didn't move here to collect the bonus, I was born here. By contrast, many people move here to collect the permanent fund. I remember when the permanent fund was being established. It was being called a rainy day account to operate the govt. in lean years. It seems to me that the permanent fund ought to go into a phase out program. According to the governor, it lost six billion dollars this year. How long would that run the state govt.?

Like most seniors, I thought my bonus was secure when the Legislature created the phase out of the bonus. I hope you will consider these things when you vote on the budget.

Sincerely,

H.L. McKinney
11015 Cange St.
Anchorage, AK
99516

P.O. Box 210531
Auke Bay AK 99821
April 5, 2003

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Honorable Frank H. Murkowski, Governor
STATE OF ALASKA
P. O. Box 110001
Juneau AK 99811-0001

Dear Governor Murkowski:

We have received your letter of 3/28/03 addressed to Senior Alaskans pertaining to the Longevity Bonus Program. I am 68 years old and my wife is 67 years old and we have lived in Alaska 65 years and 44 years respectively. We agree the program was initially instituted to support the pioneers that made Alaska the success it became. The relatively high cost of living, lack of extensive medical facilities, lack of social programs, etc. made it difficult for many elderly to live out their life in the country they built and loved. We fully supported the concept and the cost at the time to address those problems.

In light of the great change in whom the program now supports and its present cost when the financial needs of the State have increased greatly, we agree completely with your proposal to now do away with the Longevity Bonus Program. It is our observation that there are now many other programs that will benefit elderly people who may need care and help as they age.

In addition to the above, we want you to know that we have followed the other aspects of your proposed budget and fiscal plans for the State and fully support your efforts in this regard. We believe you have honestly and fairly addressed the fiscal needs of the State and proposed equitable solutions. We realize that some aspects of your proposals have not yet been fully discussed or finalized, e.g. the \$100 tax on wage earners or the summer sales tax, but we support either of these. The one tax you haven't proposed and one that might be offered by the Legislature that we would not support, is an income tax. Something less than 50% of the people in Alaska pay income tax and hence have no stake in such a tax if one is implemented. The income tax has created a huge constituency at the Federal level that pay no such taxes yet support these specifically because they have no consequences in the burden the rest of us must shoulder. We believe this is an intolerable situation and do not want it promoted in our State.

Your administration is off to an excellent start and we wish you continued success.

Very truly yours,

Judy Forrest
Vern (Dick) Forrest

Vern (Dick) and Judy Forrest

Cc: Senator Gary Wilken, Senate Finance Committee ✓
Senator Lyda Green, Senate Finance Committee
Representative John Harris, House Finance Committee
Representative Bill Williams, House Finance Committee

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**Anchorage, Alaska
April 7, 2003**

To: Senators: Lyda Green, Gary Wilken, Con Bunde, Robin Taylor, Ben Stevens, Lyman Hoffman, Donald Olson.

Subject: Senate Bill 117.

There are multiple reasons why the Alaska Longevity Bonus should remain in existence and every Alaskan legislator should be cognizant of some of them.

Legislators and all Alaskans enjoy many things that were brought about by the sweat of the brow of the very senior citizens that this Senate bill is trying to hurt. With continual rising prices of everything they need, and most senior citizens being retired on limited income, they still need the Longevity Bonus. The program is phasing out anyway, and I am sure that there are other areas where cuts could be made that would be less of an impact on the public.

Please vote against Senate Bill 117. Thank you.

**Robert P. Clark, Jr.
200 W. 34th Ave., #344
Anchorage, Alaska 99503**

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April 8, 2003

Re: Longevity Bonus

Janet B. Girard
1245 Scotwood Drive
Wasilla
Alaska 99654

Dear Governor Murkowski:

Yes Governor Murkowski, I am sure all of us eldest seniors, the ones on the longevity bonus, would be happy to lead Alaska in an effort to right Alaska's financial problems and would like to share the load--if we possibly could. But despite our age we still have the urge for self-preservation and many of us are still endeavoring to give worthwhile service to our communities and families. We are not dunderheads only to be patted on the head and be expected to willingly walk the plank to an early death. Despite being conscientious when it comes to our health care--eating correctly, exercising, including being active in the community, for those who still can, and doing all to maintain mental acuity our bodies still continue to degenerate. With this normal aging process we often need medications that are very costly and difficult to afford without help. We deserve the opportunity to fulfill our lives without having to commit suicide.

Many of us cannot qualify for Medicaid (which still is at least partly paid by the state), but yet the exorbitant cost of medicine today makes our survival questionable. Without the longevity bonus, many of us will not be able to make it. It is that vital to us.

Do you really feel that the eldest of Alaskan seniors (age 72-onward) are so unimportant and useless that you are willing to sacrifice us for the extra money Alaska needs, causing us great hardship, and in some cases great pain and needless death for lack of medication or food? Surely there must be another more humane way to scare up the bucks.

Many of our oldest seniors have been the pioneers of Alaska and have given much to the state. The already aging children of these seniors would find it hard to replace the loss of the longevity bonus to their parents. Their younger descendants would be just starting out with their own heavy expenses. What you do to us impacts the lives of many others as well.

Can't we at least end our years in a productive way as long as possible and with dignity? Please don't ask us to die sooner than we need to. We are still worthwhile citizens but most of us unfortunately are unable to bear anymore loads, no matter how much we would like to, and now we ourselves are in need of a helping hand. We have given to Alaska--now we need your help. Please don't condemn us to this catastrophe. Please keep the longevity bonus. We and our families will be eternally grateful.

Sincerely yours,

Janet B. Girard

Dear Senator Wilken:

4-8-03

Please read and circulate the letter below
that I sent to Governor Murkowski.

Thank you

April 3, 2003

F. L. Girard

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RE: LONGEVITY BONUS

Frank L. Girard
1245 Scotwood Drive
Wasilla
Alaska 99654

Dear Governor Murkowski:

We read your article in the Daily News of March 24 and your letter to me of March 25.

Many years ago, I started receiving the longevity bonus (LB) that was a godsend then and now even more so. Without it my wife and I would lose our home or starve. We are not amused by your argument that since there are 20,000 post-1996 seniors who don't get the bonus we should give up ours. "It is unfair to have two classes of senior citizens." Inequity between two classes is the rule and not an exception. Consider the difference between the vast majority of seniors and retired successful politicians. We understand that your retirement income will be in the five figures per month at tax-payers' expense. We trust that you will gladly donate a large chunk of your lavish retirement income for "education, public safety and safe transportation systems" that you state in your letter we must give up our LB for.

One could just as well argue that the 20,000 not on the LB program should be put on it to alleviate the unfairness. If we lose the LB, it will not help those currently not receiving it to any noticeable degree.

All LB receivers are now at least well into their 70s. Those seniors not on the LB program didn't enter the state early enough or didn't reach 65 soon enough. Therefore the seniors not getting the LB are younger than those receiving the LB or are recent entrants to Alaska, hardly to be considered Alaska pioneers. There is no question that the older one becomes, on average, the more one's health deteriorates. With failing health comes higher expenses of many kinds, some crushing. Therefore, this older group of seniors getting the LB are, in general, in greater need of it than the younger group not getting the LB.

We think it's appalling that to help make up state financial shortages you target the most helpless of Alaska's citizens--the 18,000 oldest and sickest of any age group. Perhaps you imagine

that their votes are of little consequence and that many of them are too senile to fight you anyway. I assure you that large numbers of us not only have all our marbles but have even larger numbers of friends and relatives who also vote and have long memories!

Are you sure, Governor Murkowski, that your fiscal policies for Alaska are not driven by the same political motives that drive your man, Bush? Among these are super tax cuts and other financial advantages for the wealthy, the special interests while help for the less fortunate is lacking.

If the state's finances are really so bad that beleaguered seniors are asked to sacrifice, then tax church property. Exempting religion from its fair share of public expense, which the rest of us must make up, violates the First Amendment, separation of church and state. Individual parishioners will not starve or lose their homes if their church is taxed. Another option is a state lottery. Why not? Many states already do this.

We are sure you are reasonable, Governor Murkowski, and that you will reconsider your determination to eliminate the LB.

Sincerely,

Obviously we want the LB left as it is.

We understand there are several LB changes short of elimination being considered - for example, means testing. Several years ago, it ostensibly was shown that means testing for the LB wouldn't be worth the effort. The number of LB seniors who could go without the LB is too small to be worth the effort.

Nearly all LB money is spent in Alaska. This must provide some economic stimulus with some of the money eventually finding its way back to the state.

March 12, 2003

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Dorothy M. Souffrank

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Hi Gary
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other thing
Mary Synoground

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Sincerely, *Melody M. Austin*

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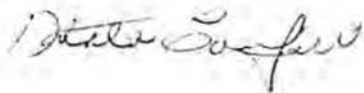
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Don Gooker

Fairbanks, Alaska

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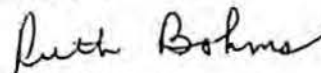
Re: Alaskans opposed to the elimination
or change in the Longevity Bonus Program

We are enclosing herewith the signatures of 655 Alaskans residing in the Fairbanks area who oppose any changes to the Longevity Bonus Program.

You will recognize the names of the volunteers who gathered these signatures as well as the names of the Alaskans who enthusiastically signed their names in strong opposition to Gov. Murkowski's proposal to eliminate the Longevity Bonus Program as it has existed for the past 30 years.

We hope that you will heed the voices of your constituents and vote **NAY** to bills in both Alaska House and Alaska Senate committees.

Sincerely yours,



Ruth Bohms

655 signatures gathered by:

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Karen Wood
Mary Lou Teel
Marcella Hill
Carol Solli

Glenn Hackney
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April 25, 2003

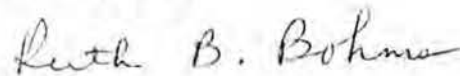
Dear Alaska State Legislators
and Governor Murkowski :

Enclosed herewith are sixteen pages containing 158 signatures of Alaska residents who are strongly opposed to any changes in the Longevity Bonus Program.

So strongly are Fairbanksans opposed to Governor Murkowski's proposed elimination of the Longevity Bonus Program that Republicans are likely to suffer in future elections should any changes be made.

The comment, "Governor Murkowski made me a Democrat," was frequently expressed by those signing the enclosed petition.

Sincerely yours,



Ruth B. Bohms
Longtime Alaskan
P O Box 80155
Fairbanks, AK 99708
(907) 479-6970

Encls.

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Dennis Gillitzer	Dennis Gillitzer	15 FARWELL #203	FBKS AK	99701	456-7370	
Arlene Spurgin	Arlene Spurgin	246 Charles St	Fbks AK	99701	452-4069	
ALBERT HINES	Albert Hines	3071 Riverview Dr	FBKS AK	99709	474-0865	
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Biznes Newman	Biznes Newman	1 Block N. of Avenue	VENETIE, Ak	99781	849-8113	
Russ Ensign	Russ Ensign	2156 Peede Rd	TO Box 56556 North Pole, AK	99705	488-2148	

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VEVA BECKER	Veva Becker	4137 Rosebud Lane	Fairbanks	99709	479-6968	
Jocelyn Stella	Jocelyn Stella	235 Federal Dr	AK	99701	456-1454	
ALICE OATES	Alice Oates	3252 Adams ¹⁰⁴²⁹	Fairbanks	99709	452-8966	
GLENN HACKNEY	Glenn Hackney	1136 SUNSET DR.	SAME	FAIRBANKS 99709	474-2610	
FRANK MCGILVARY	Frank McGilvary	112 FAREWELL	SAME	FBKS 99701	452-6929	
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THOMAS LINC	<i>Thomas Linc</i>	2509 AUSTON RD	Fairbanks AK	99709	479-6716	
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Bettie H. Upright	Bettie H. Upright	1591 Fools Gold Rd	PO Box 10764	Fbks 99712	457-5424	
Carol Callahan	Carol M. Callahan	606 Bennington	Same	Fbks 99709	479-2678	
Anita Hines	Anita M. Hines	3071 Riverview Dr	Same	Fbks 99709	474-0865	
Nancy Plante	<i>Nancy Plante</i>	1616 Dredgeway Dr.	Attn Dr same	Fbks 99712	456-1971	nancy.pla.eagle.pticalos.net.
Ruth Knepman	Ruth Knepman	1280 Gilmore Tr	same	99712	457-6380	
CATHERINE R. JONES	Catherine R. Jones	3690 Wideness Lane	P.O. Box 80023	Fbks 99708	479-6956	
Becki Phypis	Becki Phypis	522A Farmers Sp	POB 70143	Fbks 99707	451-6821	

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ROY E. TRAXLER	Roy E. Traxler	950 TOK ST.	950 TOK ST.	Fbks 99709	907 474-0513	
LOIS E. VAN HYNING	Lois E. Van Hyning	2844 Gold Hill Rd.	P.O. Box 80165	Fbks, AK 99708	907-479-2476	
TRISILLA PHARR	Trisilla G. Pharr	3343 HIMALAYA RD.	P.O. Box 10012	Fbks. AK 99710	907-458-7831	PHARRAKS1@yaleo.net
George Pharr	George W. Pharr	3343 Himalaya Rd	P.O. Box 10012	Fbks AK 99710	907 458 7831	Woody@Alaska.net
NORA DIERINGER	Nora G. Dieringer	666 11 th Ave #305	Fairbanks, Alaska	Fairbanks, Ak 99701	(907) 452-3902	
Gladys Main	Gladys Main	1728 Fenwick Trfy	810605 Fbks 99708		479-2465	
James A. Gabb	James A. Gabb	1114 128 th Street	P.O. Box 3010	Cent 1	907 5205322	James A Gabb
Jeanette Gabb	Jeanette Gabb	1369 Bessaine Rd	same	Fairbanks	455-6263	

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Janette Hanneman	Janette Hanneman	3370 Davis Rd	3370 Davis Rd	Fairbanks 99709-5303	479-6686	
Colette Buchholtz	Colette Buchholtz		PO Box 85185	Fairbanks 99708	455-4860	
Irish Olson	DICK OLSON	2501 Miksim Rd	P.O. Box 56359	North Pole 99705	488-3977	
Mary Hastings	Mary E. Hastings	2225 Indep. Cir E		North Pole	488-1446	
Dan Pate	Dan Pate	1145 GRADway		North Pole	488-7763	
DEBBIE REED	Debbie Reed	805 Astin St.		FAIRBANKS	452-2491	
Lucille Reese	Lucille Reese	2701 Remington Dr		NORTH POLE AK	488-9246	
Leslie Callan Van	Jessie Callan Van	1842 Sigart Ave		Bar 99709		
CATHLENE ALDEN	Cathlene Alden	1117 Galena St	1117 Galena St	Fbks 99709	474-0611	
MARIA BILLINGS	Maria Billings	4018 TEAL AVE	same	Fbks 99709	479-2479	

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PATRICIA FRANKLIN	<i>Patricia Franklin</i>	1213 Coppit	1213 Coppit	Fairbanks, AK 99709	474-4475	
John GRANDFIELD	<i>John Grandfield</i>	3451 Buffalo Ln	PO Box 10509	Fairbanks 99710	485-9308	
KEN BREWER	<i>Kenneth Brewer</i>	1701 TAMARACK ST	SAME	FBKS AK	452-2919	
Peter Smith	<i>Peter Smith</i>	3077 Helen Place	Same	"	479-4521	
Rachel Phillips	<i>Rachel Phillips</i>	3512 Briathalon	same	N Pole	490-0049	
Gandy Setzer	<i>Gandy Setzer</i>	244 Ana	Same	Fairbanks	474-8775	
David Czech	<i>David Czech</i>	1225 Susie A	P.O. Box 10242	Fairbanks 99710	452-3696	
Diann Darnall	<i>Diann Darnall</i>	2030 Jack St. P.O. Box	P.O. Box 8489	FAIRBANKS	479-0952	
Aaron Soland	<i>Aaron Soland</i>	4861 Glasgow	4861 Glasgow	Fairbanks 99709	479-8855	
Karen Estrada	KAREN ESTRADA	1903 Bridgewater Dr.	Same	Fbks 99709	452-3143	

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Grace Chang	<i>Grace Chang</i>		1500 Cambridge	FBKS 99709 AK	456-7466	
DELORES LINZNER	<i>Delores Linzner</i>	1235 Noble # 6	same	FBKS 99701 AK	452-5658	
LOIS FRANZ	<i>Lois Franz</i>	3624 HOLDEN RD	same	Fair 99709	479-6692	
ROBERT E. FRANZ	<i>Robert E. Franz</i>	3624 Holden Rd	"	FBKS 99709	479-6692	
Sharm Bullock	<i>Sharm Bullock</i>	3030 Davis Rd C-44	same	Fair 99709	456-7350	
Virginia K.L. McDowell	<i>Virginia K. McDowell</i>	2077 Kathleen Rd	99712	FBX 99712	488-6068	
Cliff Brenner	<i>Clifford Brenner</i>	1314 Viampante	99709	Fairbanks 99709	479-6742	
Harlan Luce	<i>Harlan V Luce</i>	1033 Pedro St		Fairbanks 99701	458-7614	
MACK RIFE	<i>Mack Rife</i>	803 John Cole Road	same	Fairbanks 99712	488-2957	
Mildred E. Wheat	<i>Mildred E. Wheat</i>	666 11 th Ave	same	" 99701	452-8636	

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Helen Burnell	<i>Helen Burnell</i>	1005 Gilmore St		✓ 99701	456-1056	-
Floyd Dangers	<i>Floyd Dangers</i>	591 Funk Rd.		Fbks 99702	378-7509	
JOYCE C. TAPPER	<i>Joyce C. Tapper</i>	PO Box 55352		NORTH POLE 99705		
Bonita Post	<i>Bonita Post</i>	Po Box 72962		99707 FBKS AK	907 455-6583	
M. Changam	<i>Mary Jane Changam</i>	576 Hilltop		Fair AK	907 479-2332	
PATRICK Sweeney	<i>Patrick Sweeney</i>	1428 Stacia St		Fairbanks AK	99701	
Eleanor Chinn	<i>Eleanor Chinn</i>	880 Fairweather Rd		Fairbanks	99712 457-3277	
Randy Stowell	<i>Randy Stowell</i>	880 Fairweather Rd		Fairbanks	99712 457-3277	
Judy Schoenewald	<i>Judy Schoenewald</i>	POB 82272		Fairbanks	99708 455-6586	

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John E Gaston	John E Gaston	1825 Sheldon Ave	Same	Fairb. AK 99701	456-2754	
Frank Worcester	Frank Worcester	3135 Forman Dr	Same	Fairb. AK 99709	—	
LAVELLE M. MONTGOMERY	Lavell M. Montgomery	15 FAREWELL	P.O. Box 83595	Fair. AK	—	—
JANET CENKER	Janet Cenker	447 11 th	P.O. Box 75406	Fair AK	—	—
Mercia Kolloch	Mercia Kolloch	3293 Lawrence Rd	P.O. Box 56091	No. Pole	—	—
Judith K Shiffler	Judith K Shiffler	929 Reindeer Dr	Same	Fairbanks ⁹⁹⁷⁰⁹	479-6104	
Wendy Shiffler	Wendy Shiffler	929 Reindeer Dr	11	11	11	
SHIRLEY HEATWICK	Shirley Heatwick	P.O. Box 72275	Same		452-2084	
Solena Brotherton	Solena Brotherton	POB 82892	—	Fairb. 99708	388-5484	
Marilyn Stowell	Marilyn Stowell	880 Fairweather # Fairbank	P.O. Box 72041	Fairb. 99707	457-3277	

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Nancy D. Williams	Nancy D. Williams	1119 2 nd Ave ^{Fairbanks}		Fairbanks, AK 99701	452-4628	nancydwilliams@netscape.net
Walter D. Williams	Walter D. Williams	1119 2 nd Ave.		Fairbanks AK 99701	462-4628	juwalaska50@gei.com
Larry N. Krapman	Larry N. Krapman	1280 Gilmore Trl.		Fairbanks AK	457-6380	
Donald A. Callahan	Donald A. Callahan	606 Bennington Dr		Fairbanks 99709	479-2678	
Mike D Thurman	Mike D. Thurman	2874 Nelson rd	same	North Pole AK	488-2031	
Vic Salburg Jr	Vic Salburg Jr	2727 Parkway	Box 23485	Fairbanks AK	488-0430	
HERB MELCHOR	Herb Melchor	2721 Husetail Trl		Fairbanks, AK	455-6615	
Jack VanHuyne	Jack VanHuyne	2844 Goldhill Rd	PO Box 80163	Fairbanks AK	479-2476	
Marlys Henderson	Marlys Henderson	572 Line Dr Fairbanks AK	same	Fairbanks AK	479-6698	
Sally Porten	Sally Porten	3206 Rindweir 99709	same	Fairbanks AK	479-8538	

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PLuff	Mary	same	1458 Lacey	Fairbanks	452-3457	
Margaret Mowery	Margaret Mowery	545 Wild Horse Ln.	same	Fairbanks	479-2446	
Sandra Crabb	Sandra Crabb	mi 128 Steese	PO Box 30109	Central	520-5322	
Michelle Joseph	Michelle Joseph	424 McKinley View	PO B 83502	Fairbanks 99730	474-8865	
Glen L. Hanneman	GLEN L. HANNEMAN	3370 DAVIS RD	SAME	FAIRBANKS AK 99709	479-6686	NA
Jon Ewig	Jon Ewig	2325 30th Ave	same	Fbks 99701	452-5538	
Shirley Grandfield	Shirley Grandfield	3421 Buffalo Lane	PO Box 10509	Fbks 99710	488-9508	—
LeRoy Zimmerman	LeRoy Zimmerman	477 Lost Lane #2	PO Box 252 Ester, AK 99725	Fbx 99709	479-8097	
Craig Hausler	Craig Hausler	3161 John Cole Rd	PO Box 10033 Fairbanks, AK 99710	Fbx 99710	488-3254	
Leila R Peterman	Leila R Peterman	2465 Old Steese Hwy	same	Fairbanks 99712	457-8989	

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Lilly Czech	Lilly Czech	1225 Susie Q	P.O. Box 10242	Fbks, 99710	907-452-3696	
DON GRAY	Don J. Gray	399 Hillside Dr.	same	Fbks. 99702	907 457-5137	
Karen Heimer	Karen Heimer	1098 Chana Pumpkin	"	Fbks 99709	907-479-4313	
L. Ford Batey	L. Ford Batey	1212 29th Ave #2	Same	Fb 99701	907-456-7571	
Mance Jones	Mance Jones	2454 Coombs Dr	PO Box 55314	NP AK 99705	907-488-6290	rhod.jones@worldnet.net
Authy Lindoff	Authy Lindoff	710 East Dr.	Bx 371	99729 Hoonah, AK	907 945 3106	
GEORGEY OULTON	Georgey Oulton	171 Pebbles Dr	Bx 22	99723 Est in AK	907 479-0249	
Connie Mance	Connie Mance	284 Sunblinn Edith FAIRBANKS	Same	FBKS 99712	457-6174	
Rosalyn Stowell	Rosalyn Stowell	51.3 mile Elliott Hwy	177 Simpson Way	Fbks, 99712		akwmnres@starband.net

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MARYLON TEEL	Marylon Teel	1846 Esquimaux Ave	Same	FBIKS 99709	452-2248	
HELEN WOMACK	Helen Womack	1154 Park Dr. ^{Stinky}	P.O. Box 70773	.. 99707	452-7878	
Rebecca Angell	Rebecca R Angell	147 Glacier Ave	Same	Fbx 99701	457-7043	wrangell@gci.net
Elizabeth Cogan	Elizabeth Cogan	169 Leuthold Dr	Box 75133	FBIKS, 99707	389-2746	elizabethcogan@yahoo.com
VIRGIL SEVERNS	Virgil D Severns	2292 Severns Rd	Same	FBIK 99712	491-5912	
MURRAY HOWK	Mary Hall	328 Parker Hwy	HC33 Box 3280.1	WENONA	388-7357	
Violet Robinson	Violet Robinson	5270 Cherokee	Same	Fairbanks	479-2470	-
Roger Post	Roger A. Post	1525 Golden View Dr.	P.O. Box 72962	Fairbanks ⁹⁹⁷⁰⁷	455-6583	
WALT GOZY	Walt Gozy	3307 Baker Rd	N.P.	AK 99705	488-2781	

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LINDA PEARSON	Linda Pearson	3252 Helen Pl.	Fairbanks, AK	99709	479-3447	lpearson18@yahoo.com
WILLIAM L. LARSON	William L. Larson	1526 Nome TRAIL	PO BOX 45 DELTA Jct AK	99737	895-5266	—
Claude E. Klaver	Claude E. Klaver	4811 Lambert Dr	Nome	Fbks 99709	479-7633	
Jane N. Williams	JANE WMS	1048 NORRIS Ln	"	" 99712	457-4979	
Georgiana Brennan	Georgiana Brennan	11314 Viewpoint Dr	"	Pbx 99709	479-6742	
Adrian Marandon	Adrian Marandon	709 WAVES rd	v1	FBA	455-7093	
Leslie Correll	Leslie Correll	320 Pleasant Valley	P.O.B. 61132	FBX 99706	488-5254	
Robert Burgess	Robert M. Burgess	1001 MIA	PO BOX 82799	FBX 99708	452-8980	
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Charles Henry	<i>Charles Henry</i>	Alfair		Healy, AK 99743	683 4504	
Bob Aaron	<i>Bob Aaron</i>	717 FARMERS LOOP	ROB AARON	FBKS		
Tim Stallard	<i>Tim Stallard</i>	1001 Mia St.	PO Box 82096	Fairbanks, AK	474-6027	
June Hernandez	<i>JUNE HERNANDEZ</i>	4781 PALO VERDE	SAME	FBKS 99709	474-8477	
Mary Synnegrund	<i>MARYSYNNOGRUND</i>	1545 2nd ave	SAME	FBKS 99701	451 4428	
John Fritchard	<i>John M. Fritchard</i>	Emile M. GRATID	P.O. BOX 61419 Fairbanks	FBKS 99707	457-3565	
Steven Ysals	<i>Steven Ysals</i>	2032 Larkspur	same	FBKS 99701	452-2053	

Fairbanks, Alaska

April 28, 2003

TO: Members of Alaska State Senate Finance Committee,
Members of the Fairbanks Interior Delegation, and
to Governor Murkowski

In addition to the 16 pages (158 signatures) mailed on Saturday, April 26, 2003, and sent to ALL Alaska's Legislators (20 in Senate, 40 in House), enclosed herewith find an additional 11 pages (numbered pages 17 through 27) containing 79 signatures of Fairbanks area residents who are opposed to changes in the Longevity Bonus Program.

The senior community statewide will be responding next Wednesday, April 30 to another teleconference you have scheduled on the Longevity Bonus Program.

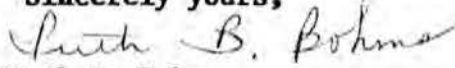
Retaining the Longevity Bonus Program is of absolutely primary importance to seniors and their families.

There is a whole chain of entities who will suffer (recipient, family, community, state) should any changes be made to the Longevity Bonus Program.

WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL THINK CAREFULLY, USE YOUR AUTHORITY WISELY, AND RETAIN THE LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM IN ITS ENTIRETY AS IT EXISTS TODAY WITH NO CHANGES.

Thank You !

Sincerely yours,



Ruth B. Bohms

Longtime Alaskan

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Enclosures:

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Jack V. Ferguson	Jack V. Ferguson	1829 Jack St.	same	Fairbanks, AK	456-7359	" " "
Nancy Mendenhall	Nancy Mendenhall	1907 Yankovich	same	Healy AK	479-2786	
Michael Dykema	Michael P. Dykema	863 Cranberry	P.O. Box 83382	Fairbanks, AK	479-6143	
LINDA ROSS	Linda L. Ross	120 CURRANT CT	P.O. Box 61017	FAIRBANKS, AK	474-0523	
JERRY COGAN	Jerry Cogan	1709 Elm St		Fairbanks AK	456-5383	
Searl Burnett	Searl Burnett	1012 Crocus Dr.	P.O. Box 60997	Fairbanks AK	452-6139	
STEPHEN ANDERSON	Stephen Anderson	490 CRESTMONT	P.O. Box 72001	FAIRBANKS	451-0184	
Nancy Koumal	Nancy Koumal	3484 Rosie Creek Rd	PO Box 82779	Fairbanks	479-5466	
RENE KOUMAL	Rene Koumal	3484 ROSIE CREEK RD	PO BOX 82779	FAIRBANKS	479-5466	

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LEE WRISSE	Lee W. Wrisse	606 MILE CHSRD	981 KRISSE ROAD	FAIRBANK	488 6973	
George Schneider	George Schneider	710 Market St Nenana	Po Box 266 Nenana	Nenana	832-1048	
Stephan Luthy	Stephan Luthy	400 Sutter Dr Fairbanks AK	same	Fairbanks	451-7827	
Claude Wolff	Claude Wolff	2630 Scotch Pine	PO Box 55162	North Pole AK	488-0307	
Donna Dinsmore	Donna Dinsmore	699 Gradelle	699 Gradelle	Ft. K. AK	479-5265	
THOMAS BEAR	Thomas Bear	3501 Conifer	P.O. Box 56365	N. Pole AK	488-2129	
F. H. COOK	F. H. Cook	6,600 Circle N.S. Rd	P.O. Box 3000	COOTAN	520-5587	
VIRGINIA KILLEN	Virginia Killen	1152 Summit Dr	same	Ft. K. AK	474-9558	
JOAN M. ROBBINS	Joan M. Robbins	1701 Mary Lane #2	ST #4	Ft. K. AK	456-5572	
GERALD WHITTEN	Gerald H. Whitten	3351 THIMAS ST	SAME	FAIRBANKS	474-0699	

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Isidor Lee Littenber	D. Littenber	505 Arctic Pl	PO 50767	FBIKS 99708	479-5035	
Shannon Watson	Sh Watson	585 Scater Dr.	PO BOX 75463	FBIKS 99707	451-7084	
Sydney Watson	Sydney Watson	585 Scater Dr	PO Box 75463	FBIKS 99707	451-7084	
Donna Wark	Donna Wark		PO 7335	FBIK 99707	474-8170	
RHONN ARAZKSEN	Rhonn Arazksen	1597 Sultan Hwy	same	FBIK 99701	456-3096	

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ROBERT CARR	Robert Carr	PO Box 56749	SAME	NP 99705		
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Patricia Stark	Patricia Stark	1031 Eldorado Rd	P.O. Box 8525	Fbks 99705	—	INCOME BK SEC ONLY
MARY Elizabeth Samuel	Mary Elizabeth Samuel	211 Cleverly Dr.	POB 82493	Fbks 99708	474-0900	—
DONALD H. PIATT	Donald H. Piatt	306 Eureka Ave	PO Box 70013	Fbks 99707	452-1446	
RUSSELL B. LYNN	Russell B. Lynn	1502 TURNER ST	601 HALVORSON RD	Fbks 99709	452-4284	
Therese Burick	Therese Burick		1573 Gilliam	Fambk 99701	451-0801	

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JANE N. WILLIAMS	Jane N. Williams	1048 Colmore Trail	Same 99712	"	457-4979	
Wendee Collette	Wendee Collette	3866 Branch Ave	same	North Pole AK 99705	488-2505	wendee.collette@Chugach-VA co
Janet L. Downing	Janet L. Downing	2329 Crippelo Creek Rd	PO BOX 326	Ester AK.	99725 479 3635	
Steven Ysaais	Steven Ysaais	2032 Lakeview Trail	same	Fbks AK	452-3003	
Nancy Reed	DOROTHY REED	708 EUREKA	Shum	Fbks AK	451-0382	
John Pritchard	John M. Pritchard	724 MEIGAN RD	PO BOX 61414 Fairbanks		457-3365	
Jane N. Williams	Jane N. Williams	1048 NORCO	Fbks		457-4979	

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Brian Smith	Brian W. Smith	95 Farewell #9	—	Fbks. AK. 99701	458-9538	
Lynn Harris	Lynn Harris	1222 McCarty	Same	Fbks AK 99701	458-0331	football@ptialaska
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DMARIE Nichols	[Signature]	1004 Joyce Dr #B Fairbanks AK	Same 99701	Fbks AK 99701	457-1307	
Bonita L. Shaw	[Signature]	2012 Kendall Dr North Pole, AK	Same 99705	North Pole AK 99705	907 488-3935	
Maejorie A Dupree	[Signature]	1085 Lakewood Ter	Same	Fbks AK 99707	907 462-8002	

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GLADYCE AUSTIN	Gladys Austin	1504 Buttercup St	Same	99701	452-5815	
DR. W. L. HILL	W. L. Hill	1522 23rd Ave	Same	Ft. Belknap 99701	451-7331	DR.WLH@NETSCAPE.NET
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JOHN G. DIRKX	John G. Dirkx	1011 Smythe St	Same	Ft. Belknap 99701	452-3928	JOHNGDIRK@GCI.NET
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WENZEL RAITH	Wenzel Raith	330 3rd Ave #78	P.O. Box 70780	Ft. Belknap AK 99701	456-3997	
HAROLD STARKE	Harold Starke	666-11th Ave	666-11th Ave	Ft. Belknap 99701	451-6738	

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Julie Burton	Julie Burton	323 POPLAR FAI AK 99709	Same	FAI AK	479-6830	
Joe Zimmerman	Joe Zimmerman	2055 KIME	P.O. Box 56113	N. Pole	488-6354	
Elva Zimmerman	ELVA ZIMMERMAN	2055 KIMI ST.	P.O. Box 56113	N.P.	488-6354	
Vicky Glebavicius	Vicky Glebavicius	2530 Lucinda Ct No Pole	Same	NP 99705	490-6688	
Will Boger	Will Boger	1060 Parkway	60418	Fairbanks	415-4091	
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ROSE LAKIN	Sue Katin	2016 SOUTHERN AVE	FBKS	99709	456-3580	
Charles E. Holt	Charles E. Holt	4714 Rivers ST.	NP, 99705.	✓	488-2207	
M Susan Zimmerman	M Susan Zimmerman	2030 Tribulation Trail	PO Box 81666	Fbks 99708	479-3021	
Greg Zimmerman	Greg Zimmerman	2030 Tribulation Trail	PO Box 81666	Fbks 99708	479-3021	
GEORGE DESROCHERS	George Desrochers	3316 Dale Rd.	P.O. Box 60456	Fbks AK 99706	479-6652	
Barbara Stetson	Barbara Stetson	1912 Gilmore Trail		Fairbanks 99712	457-1993	
DAVID B. POLLY	David B. Polly	843 Polly Way		NORTH POLE 99705	488-6068	
WALTER J KOZIE	Walter J Kozie	1129 Kodak St	same	FBKS 99709	451 8939	

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Michael Wigger	Michael Wigger	3705 " " "	" "	" "	" "	
SHIRLEY GLAUDO	Shirley Glaudo	235 Harris Ave	same	Jkt, ak 99701	452-3670	
Sandra J Glover	Sandra J Glover	1714 Kennedy St	same	Fairbanks 99701	474-0218	
Diane Jewkes	Diane Jewkes	2167 Otter		North Pole 99705	488-6461	
John C Jones	John C. Jones	1986 KENDALL AVE	P.O. Box 58306	FAIRBANK 99711	488-2306	
A. Roy Wilbur	A. Roy Wilbur	1045 Gilmore	same	Fairbanks AK 99701	456-4284	
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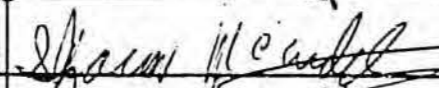
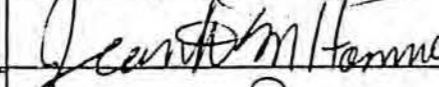
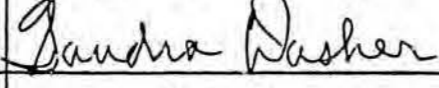
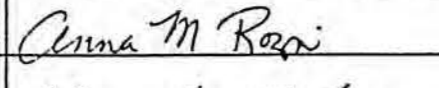
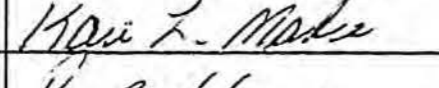
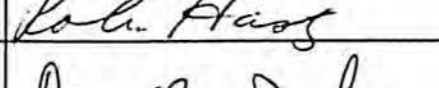
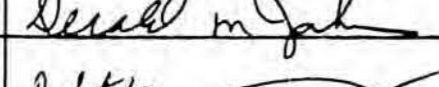

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Ryman Smith	Ryman Smith	1411 HANSWAY		Fbks 99701		
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Tommy Swarthout	Tommy Swarthout	1008 De Pauw		Fbks 99709	458-2166	
SA Mills	SA Mills	2139 HILTON Fbks 99701	SAME	Fbks 99701	452-5364	
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Eileen Cummings	Eileen Cummings	1267 ^{Sequoyia Ln} North Pole Ave	Same	North Pole 99705	4889386	
Rita Osborne	Rita Osborne	1107 Pika Rd	PO Box 80807	Folcs 99708	479-4535	
John Woodman	John Woodman	330 Woodland	Same	FBK 99712	474-8632	
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Tim Wallis	<i>Tim Wallis</i>	601 A ST	601 A ST	FAIRBANKS, 99701	452-8705	
Misti Mayo	<i>Misti Mayo</i>	2124 Egan	Same	FAIRBANKS, 99701		
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Christine Burr	<i>Christine Burr</i>	307 Kody Dr.	307 Kody Dr.	FAIRBANKS, AK 99701	452-5946	

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Rebecca Telling	<i>Rebecca Telling</i>	328 Chinook	same	Fairbanks 99707	455-7633	
Gary Corbett	<i>Gary Corbett</i>	1952 Reswood	same	North Pole, 99705	488-1701	
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Terrance Clack	<i>Terrance Clack</i>	820 REFRAN LINDA	SAME	North Pole 99705	488-8572	
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Wally Pearson	Wally Pearson	- " "	" "	" "	" "	
Sara Madden	Sara Madden	3651 Hospital Tr.	" "	Fairbanks, AK 99709	458-0403	
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C B Woodruff	C Woodruff	PO Box 2220	→	"	452-8510	
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THOMAS HAGREN	Thomas (T) Hager	640 Wilson	PO Box 10705	FAIRBANKS AK 99716	488-5585	
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Phyllis Cox	Phyllis Cox	825 Yankovich	Box 50352	Fairbanks 99708	479-2467	
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Arthur Swartz	Arthur Swartz	2365 Ledna	North Pole	ALASKA 99705	488-6813	
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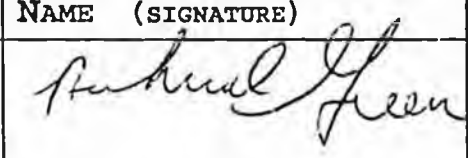

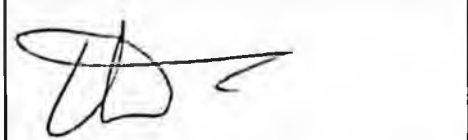
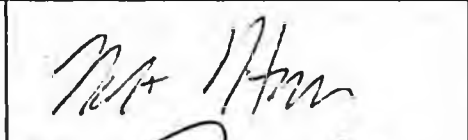
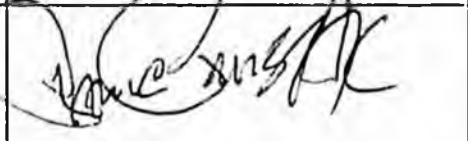
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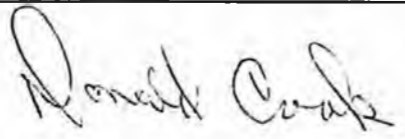
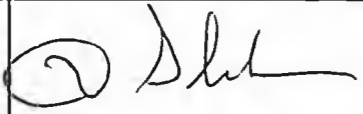

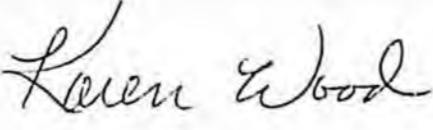
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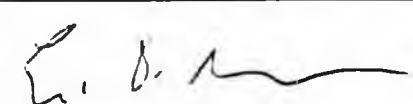

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Please enter into the record my testimony to the

Senate Finance
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Committee on SB 117 Longevity
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dated 5-13-03
public hearing date

I am opposed to any bill which takes the longevity bonus away from those who are receiving it. There are no 65 year old seniors who receive the longevity bonus. If you will stop and consider what your intentions are, you are proposing to take from seniors who are middle to late seventies and eighty plus years of age, who I consider part of the frail senior population. I believe your trying to justify what your doing to please the governor. Inurean spends without accountability and the arrogance & greed is truly a sight to behold during this legislative session.

Signed: Sharon E. Jones
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^{Bill/Subject}
This letter is in regard to Senate Bill 117 as an act relating to eligibility for longevity bonus program. Leave it alone. It is doing what it was intended to do & will terminate soon anyway. The intent of this bill were not trying to help those that were destitute but were doing what the name implies.

Webster's Dictionary: (Bonus - anything given over and above the regular amount, extra payment given as an incentive or reward for) In this case those who were true to Alaska instead of taking our pay back to the 48 and spending it there. They did not want us to be in poverty or destitute to receive it. I have been in Alaska over 30 years. I am a disabled WW2 veteran with nearly 4 years as a POW in Japan. I have been retired for many years and very little of my income is from Alaska but all of it is spent here. This is my home, don't spoil it now.

Signed: William G. Plat
Testifier

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Dear Senator Wilken:

We are forced to defend
the Longevity Bonus Program
against means testing or
other cuts

Please read and circulate
the attached compelling
arguments - some new.

Thank you

Sincerely,

J. L. Girard

May 5, 2003

Frank L. Girard
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(Gov. Frank Murkowski will not ever be elected to Public office) again - we Seniors ALL Vote!

Signed: Henry Malcoy
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Senate Finance (Senate Bill 117 -) NO VOTE!
May 1-2003

I came to Anchorage 44 years ago. I'm 79. Lost my home in Turnagain 1964. Now am mostly in bed or wheel chair alone in my own home. As others I am handicapped and suffering and on the Longevity Bonus, not welfare.

Threatened with \$122,000 basic Medical Nursing Home Care costs, plus drugs & other additional costs, I remain at home.

To see my present 34 year old house, I need new roof, flooring, Carpets, paint, Cabinets, stove, furnace. at an impossible cost of \$20,000+

The natives have free hospital, nursing, medical care. I pay \$2400 a year plus drugs. When they received the 1st Ciri payout of \$65,000, they did not give up any monthly welfare checks!!

Consider under S.B. 117, the remaining 4,300 people would be ^{mostly} natives, not Pioneers. With \$16,924 retirement or \$22,716 husband & wife income outside of Ciri gifts - with a new \$50,000 distribution: \$60,924 or \$72,716 would be mostly Federal Income.

Tax free and S.B. 117 would still send them the Longevity Bonus. Where is Need-based there? Native Land Claims + Federal Laws still flow

Why are you taking away the honor of pioneering and building infrastructure and independence from welfare by independent living, but (soon to die??) people now from the past don't count? Please say we do! Terry Berne CO.

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HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE
SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

E. M. CASEY, AN OLD VOTER
May 2, 2003
LONGEVITY AMENDMENTS
SB 117 (i)

DEAR COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

THERE ARE 4 AREAS OF DEEP CONCERN THAT ARE RAISED BY TESTIMONY SO FAR ABOUT THE FORM IN WHICH THE LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM PAYMENTS WILL BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE:

(not necessarily in order of importance)

1. INCOME ELIGIBILITY should not be even lower than for various other public interest programs nor should that for a couple be less than twice that of an individual--should be at least two and one-half times federal poverty level because those not already on welfare have many health insurance and other expenses not paid by government.
2. ASSET ELIGIBILITY should not penalize those who have scrimped to put aside money for such catastrophic expenses as essential repairs to their home: frozen pipes, roof leaks, plumbing failures--and home insurance. And, for the legions of month-to-month renters who can at a landlord's whim be faced with all the expenses of moving: first and last month's rent, deposits, utility connections and deposits, and paying for help to find a place to live, pack, move, and unpack--we need to be allowed at the very least to retain ten thousand dollars of emergency savings for all the many things the state does not provide for us.

Note: Such emergency savings cannot be "structured" to produce income offsets referred to by the Welfare Department.

3. EXCESSIVE PAPERWORK DEMANDS would prevent many elders who rely on LBP for sustenance from being able to qualify. A simple, form, easily understood written for this program only and signed under penalty of perjury which can be submitted by mail initially and annually could be a rational and practical substitute for the only alternative suggested by welfare-minded.
4. FREEZING ELIGIBILITY to allow dropping out and regaining eligibility if needed in the future needs to be clarified.

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Date: 4/30/03

Please accept the enclosed original(s) of written testimony for the Senate Finance
teleconferenced hearing that was scheduled on SB 117 Longevity Bonus

A copy of this testimony was transmitted to your committee via fax on 4/30/03

Thank you.

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Fax 465-2187

I speak for myself. I am opposed to Senate Bill 117 as a substitution for and eventual elimination of the Longevity Bonus program.

It was originally designed to encourage the older Alaskans who worked & helped build up what is now our present state. These elderly persons worked hard to make an unforgiving land one of promise where we could live a life style of choice & still be able to abide by Government rules and laws.

Your recommendation for qualification is one of inequitable possibilities under the current age of increasing cost of living.

The loss of income will force many to apply for other subsistence & the mountains of paper work will cost more in the long run than if you continue to pay the Bonus. Therefore you are robbing the senior to create more political jobs. You will be stripping us of pride & income.

The loss of spending cash will effect

the already poor economy.

At the hearings I listened to many reasonable possible solutions to help keep this program and also help your budget.

You Governor Murkowski and Senators should try to live on the budget you set for the seniors on this program & see how it feels. In your campaigns we were promised how you would improve the state, and as thanks for our votes & contributions you are taking away part of our income. I'm sorry I voted for you.

I am a widow 75 years old and a resident of Alaska for 48 years. I have worked hard & donated many hours & dollars to help make this state and my community a good place to raise my family & grandchildren in.

Geneva L. Smith Job Alaska



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* Original mailed 5/1/03

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It was originally designed to encourage the older Alaskans who worked and helped build up what is now our present state. These elderly persons worked hard to make on unforgiving land one of promise where we could live a life style of choice and still be able to abide by Government rules and laws.

Your recommendation for qualifications is one of inequitable possibilities under the current age of increasing cost of living.

The loss of income will force many to apply for other subsistence and the mountains of paperwork will cost more in the long run than if you continue to pay the Bonus. Therefore you are robbing the senior to create more political jobs. You will be stripping us of pride and income.

The loss of spending cash will affect the already poor economy.

At the hearings I listened to many reasonable possible solutions to help keep this program and also help your budget.

You, Governor Murkowski, and Senators should try to live on the budget you set for the seniors on this program and see how it feels. In your campaign we were promised how you would improve the state, and as thanks for our vote and contributions you are taking away part of our income. I'm sorry I voted for you.

I am a widow 75 years old and a resident of Alaska for 48 years. I have worked hard and donated many hours and dollars to help make this state and my community a good place to raise my family and grandchildren in.

Geneva Smith



Alaska State Legislature

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Committee name

Committee on Sec. 47.15.015/SB 117, dated 4-30-03
Bill/Subject

Thank you for being considerate of families that depend on longevity program.

Signed: Lois M. Wertz James I. Wertz
Testifier

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Alaska State Legislature

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Committee on HB 117 dated 4/30/03
Bill/Subject

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Alaska State Legislature

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Committee on SB. 117, dated 4/30/03
Bill/Subject

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Signed: Eileen O. Jenson
Testifier

Myself & senior friends & family
Representing (Optional)

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Committee on SB117 Bill/Subject, dated 4/30/03

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Signed: William K Church
Testifier

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April 30, 2003

To Members of the Senate Finance Committee

Subject: Longevity Bonus

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This is a program that helps everyone in Alaska.



Alaska State Legislature

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Committee name

Committee on SB 117, dated 4-30-03
Bill/Subject

My husband and I both need
the Longevity Bonus for
medicines & food - due to
their high cost.

Signed: James M. Slater - Robert H. Slater
Testifier

Self - Husband
Representing (Optional)

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Alaska State Legislature

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 Committee on Longevity Bonus Senate Bill No. 117, dated 4-30-03
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The figures used for monthly income is low. The Fed Bank of Alaska uses \$1709.⁰⁰ for one and \$2,302.⁰⁰ for two people. The Dept. of Health & Social Services Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program used these same figures.

The change in the Longevity Bonus program looks like a welfare program. Seniors little \$100.⁰⁰ to \$250.⁰⁰ a month have kept them off that programs and give them independence.

There has been several seniors passed away in the past month. Now in the Wasilla Senior Campus so the 15000 has been reduced. As seniors die the program will be phased out completely. So why change it.

Signed: Betty Mercer
 Testifier

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Alaska State Legislature

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Committee name

Committee on SB 117, dated _____
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This letter is in regard to Senate Bill 117 as an act relating to eligibility for longevity bonus program. Leave it alone. It is doing what it was intended to do & will terminate soon anyway. The intent of this bill were not trying to help those that were destitute, but were doing what the name implies.

Webster's Dictionary: (Bonus - anything given over and above the regular amount, extra payment given as an incentive or reward for) In this case those who were true to Alaska instead of taking our pay back to the 48 and spending it there. They did not want us to be in poverty or destitute to receive it. I have been in Alaska over 30 years. I am a disabled WW2 veteran with nearly 4 years as a POW in Japan. I have been retired for many years and very little of my income is from Alaska but all of it is spent here. This is my home, don't spoil it now.

Signed: William G. Plott
Testifier

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Committee on SB 117, dated 5-5-03 ⁴⁻³⁰⁻⁰³ _{month}

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Signed: FRANK L. GIRARD

Testifier

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May 5, 2003

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MEANS TESTING FOR THE LONGEVITY BONUS?

Governor Murkowski is apparently scheming to deprive the oldest and sickest Alaskans of their Longevity Bonus (LB) by punishing thrift. The proposed asset/income cutoffs are far too low. Those LB seniors who would qualify to continue to receive the LB would qualify, or nearly so, for other charities. Those LB seniors who were thrifty enough to save for one or more common emergencies such as unexpected medical/dental outlays, broken heating units, failed septic systems, major car repairs, etc. would not be eligible to stay on the LB program.

LB seniors foolishly expected the state to keep its promise and long ago built the LB into their income-expense structures. (e.g., mortgage payments were predicated on a continuing LB.) If the LB is withdrawn, exLB seniors will have to spend down their savings at the LB rate until their resources fall below the poverty levels currently planned. At that time, they will have little left to face hardships, especially those peculiar to old age. How cruel it would be to deny the oldest and sickest segment of the population a slight bit of security!

To legally try to beat financial asset testing, many seniors will transfer savings into more expensive homes, cars or other less liquid forms. This accomplishes nothing for the state and leaves old people more vulnerable to catastrophe. With the exception of great wealth, the state should encourage oldsters to have as much liquidity as possible.

What is the real cost of administering and policing a means-based LB program? This cost could take a large bite out of what is supposed to be saved. What about privacy rights, loss of dignity?

Nearly all LB money is spent in Alaska with accompanying economic stimulus. The vast majority of LB seniors have social security; many have other income as well. A senior's total income can be several times the LB. Usually all is spent in the state with much greater economic benefit than from the LB alone. Loss of the LB will cause thousands of seniors to leave for places with lower living costs, taking their SS and any other income with them. This potential loss could dictate maintaining the LB as is.

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Though most seniors don't know it, they are facing financial disaster. Steeply rising drug costs and ongoing federal cuts in medicare and veteran's benefits will eventually crush the majority of seniors. Please leave the LB as is for the oldest and sickest Alaskans. They desperately need it! By death, the LB is already self-eliminating.

We are told that Alaska is going broke. In response to this, many new ways of raising money for the state have been suggested --sales tax; income tax; tourism tax; skimming a little from each dividend check; a lottery; cutting the state's bloated bureaucracy, boondoggles, and other monetary hemorrhages. But an obvious large and relatively painless source of revenue is never mentioned--the taxing of church property.

Exempting any property from taxation for religious reasons violates the First Amendment, the separation of church and state. Tax exemption for religion causes others to pay higher taxes to make up for potential revenue shortages. This unfair practice causes many to indirectly support religion they may not agree with.

Because of religious political clout and the personal prejudices of many in government, no politician seriously considers taxing church property. But why not? This would force religion to be more frugal. The added burden, if any, on the average parishioner would be small.

Churches that sustain ongoing, clearly charitable programs such as food and shelter for indigents should not pay tax on the properties used for these purposes. But very few churches engage in such activities. The vast majority of religious properties are devoted to satisfying the emotions of congregations, fund raising, and proselytizing. That these are more worthy than providing shelter for one's family or housing a business is a matter of personal opinion. But to infringe the LB or other necessary functions while leaving church property untaxed would not only be unfair, insensitive and hypocritical but a stupid crime!



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*Senate Floor
Committee
+ Delany*

COMMENTS ON SB 117, SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDED VERSION "I" 4-30-03

INADEQUATE PROVISION AS TO ALLOWANCE FOR LIQUID ASSETS, CASH AVAILABLE TO RECIPIENTS WITHOUT DISQUALIFICATION, INITIALLY OR ON A CONTINUING BASIS, AND CONSTANT REQUALIFICATION EXCESSES:

IF RECIPIENT DOES NOT OWN OR LIVE IN HIS OR HER OWN HOME NEEDS TO BE ABLE TO IMMEDIATELY MEET COSTS IF FORCED BY CIRCUMSTANCES TO MOVE, E.G., FIRST AND LAST MONTH'S RENT, SECURITY DEPOSITS, INCLUDING THOSE FOR PETS, AND PAYING FOR PACKING HELP AS WELL AS MOVING HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, ETC., CONNECTING UTILITIES AND ANY DEPOSITS FOR CONNECTION--AND COSTS OF HAVING HELP IN FINDING A PLACE TO MOVE. TO PROVIDE FOR LESS PUTS VULNERABLE SENIORS IN DANGER OF BECOMING HOMELESS WITH A LIFETIMES ACCUMULATION SITTING ON A STREET!

CONSIDERING THAT OVER \$150,00 PER MONTH IS SPENT PERSONALLY BY MANY RECIPIENTS ON MEDICAL INSURANCE (PART B AND MEDI GAP) EXPENSES NOT CALCULATED AS BEING PAID BY PEOPLE ON PUBLIC WELFARE (MEDICAID RECIPIENTS) A HIGHER LEVEL OF INCOME IS CALLED FOR THAN MERELY 200% OF FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL. WE ALSO PAY ALL OUR COSTS FOR THE NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS THAT CONTROL PAIN AND HELP PRESERVE WHAT MOBILITY WE MAY HAVE, OTHER MEDICAL SUPPLY NEEDS WHICH MEDICAID WOULD BE CHARGED WITH IF WE WERE WELFARE CASES (INCONTINENT SUPPLIES AS JUST ONE EXAMPLE) AND PRESCRIPTION DRUGS. A 200% LIMIT ON INCOME LEVEL IS NEITHER ADEQUATE, EQUITABLE, NOR REASONABLE!

THE STATE HAS ALWAYS RELIED UPON OUR VERACITY IN THE MONTHLY QUESTIONNAIRE AS TO PRESENCE/ELIGIBILITY. TO REQUIRE MORE THAN THAT TYPE OF CHECK-OFF AND RETURN FORM IS BOTH DEMEANING, NEEDLESS, AND CREATES A VERY BUREAUCRATICALLY EXPENSIVE BURDEN. EVEN ACTUAL WELFARE CASES ARE NOT MADE TO GO THROUGH AN ASSET CHECK EVERY MONTH--I BELIEVE THAT IS ANNUAL AND DONE VIA A FORM FILLED OUT ONCE A YEAR AND MAILED BACK TO THE WELFARE OFFICE.

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LBP WAS NEVER INTENDED TO BE A WELFARE PROGRAM. JUST BECAUSE IT HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES IS A POOR REASON TO TREAT THE SENIORS WHO RELY UPON THE PROMISE MADE YEARS AGO AS IF THEY ARE SOME UNTRUSTWORTHY PEOPLE WHOSE WRITTEN WORD AND SIGNATURE ARE NOT TO BE TRUSTED WOULD BE INSULTING AND UNALASKAN.

E.M. CASEY, AN OLD VOTER, 8480 JEWEL LAKE RD., ANCHORAGE, AK 99502
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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate Finance Committee
Committee Name

Committee on Longevity Bonus, dated May 1, 2003
Bill Subject

I object to the Longevity Bonus being a form of Public assistance.

I think you should honor the phase ^{out} of this program that is now in effect. The program is definitely needed.

Signed Steve D Stewart
Testifier

Representing (Optional)

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May 1, 2003

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To: Senate Finance Committee, Senators Green & Wilken, CO-Chairs
FAX 465-2187

Subject: SB 17 Re: Longevity Bonus

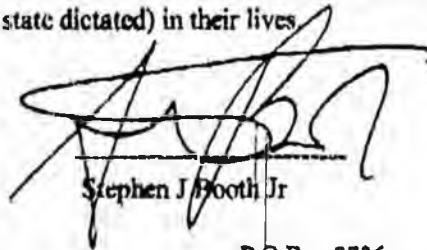
Gentlemen:

My wife and I were deeply disturbed by what we read in today's local newspaper (The Peninsula Clarion) regarding the *FATE* of the above subject and the many *Seniors (such as we) dependent upon same* as currently being considered in the Senate Finance Committee.

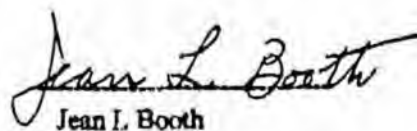
We know this is not an easy problem however, if "*Seniors NEEDS*" are decided upon, and they should not by The State, how can the Senate Finance Committee in all its wisdom define the "*NEEDS*" of the individual *Seniors* involved? *Elimination* of the current "*LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM*" or a drastic "*NEEDS BASED*" adjustment (to the current program such as mentioned in the above article) will be devastating to many *Seniors*. Such action will deprive many '*SENIORS*' of their independence and self respect plus force them involuntarily to be dependent upon (and raise the "*COST*" of) "*STATE WELFARE PROGRAMS*"!

We urge you to drop the "*NEEDS BASED*" agenda and let the "*LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM*" continue until it dies as presently scheduled. Failing that, please consider no changes prior to the middle of 2004 in order to enable "*SENIORS*" (those that can) to make reasonable changes (not state dictated) in their lives

Sincerely,



Stephen J. Booth Jr



Jean L. Booth

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CC: Senator Tom Wagoner
Representative: Kelly Wolf

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TELECONFERENCE TESTIMONY OF JOHN L. CERUTTI, P.O. BOX 871, VALDEZ, AK 99686, TO SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE, RE SENATE BILL 117(), APRIL 30, 2003.

THIS IS A NEARLY VERBATIM TRANSCRIPT OF MY VERBAL TESTIMONY:

"I AM MAKING MY CLOSING STATEMENT FIRST IN CASE I RUN OUT OF TIME.

"IN CLOSING, I THINK THE GOVERNOR AND ALL YOU IN THE LEGISLATURE, HOUSE AND SENATE, LACK THE INTESTINAL FORTITUDE TO ENACT AN INCOME TAX. NOTE THAT SUCH A TAX NICKS THE [LONGEVITY] BONUS PAYMENTS OF THE BETTER-OFF SENIORS!

"I AM NOW 83. FIRST CAME TO ANCHORAGE JUNE '49; WENT OUTSIDE SEPT. '54 FOR EDUCATION; RETURNED MAY '60; NOW A [TOTAL] OF 47 YEARS IN ALASKA. BOTH OF MY ADOPTED CHILDREN WERE BORN IN TERRITORY.

"THE CHANGE TO 1 YEAR RESIDENCY WAS STUPID! EVERYONE HAD THE SAME CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO LIVE IN ALASKA FOR 25 YEARS.

"I ACCEPTED THE 'BONUS AS AN INCENTIVE – A PROMISE? – TO REMAIN IN THE STATE WHEN I REACHED 65 ON SEPT. 1, 1984, SO I STAYED AND MADE VERY MODEST INVESTMENTS IN ANCHORAGE AND VALDEZ – [PAYOFFS] NOW RUNNING OUT. AS A [LICENSED] CIVIL ENGINEER, MY WORK HAS HELPED IN BUILDING THE STATE'S INFRASTRUCTURE – NO BONUSES [READ, RETIREMENT BENEFITS]."

THE FOLLOWING WAS NOT PART OF MY TESTIMONY BUT IT CAN BE CONSIDERED AS ADDITIONAL TESTIMONY.

INCIDENTALLY, I DO APPRECIATE VERY MUCH THE OPPORTUNITY TO VOICE MY OPINION IN THIS, OR ANY OTHER MATTER OF INTEREST. AS A MEMBER OF AARP, I FEEL BETRAYED BY THOSE LOCAL OFFICIALS WHO ESPOUSED COMPROMISING. Y'ALL ARE TO BE COMMENDED FOR HAVING THE PATIENCE TO SIT THERE FOR THREE HOURS, AFTER WORKING HOURS, TO HEAR THE TESTIMONY OF SO MANY PEOPLE. I REITERATE THAT AN INCOME TAX IS THE FAIREST OF ALL BUDGET FINANCING METHODS: IT DOESN'T SUPPORT THE COST OF GOVERNMENT ON THE BACKS OF THE LOW INCOME PEOPLE AS WILL A SALES TAX – ESPECIALLY IF LEVIED ON THE NECESSITIES OF LIFE. A SCHOOL TAX OF \$100 PER WAGE OWNER CAN BE ONEROUS FOR LOW INCOME FAMILIES (REMEMBER THE TERRITORIAL DAYS WITH THE \$10 TAX?). A TOUR BOAT PASSENGER HEAD TAX OF MORE MODEST PROPORTION SEEMS FAIR SINCE THAT INDUSTRY DOES IMPOSE A BURDEN ON THE PORTS-OF-CALL GOVERNMENTS BUT YOUR VERSION PUTS ALL SUCH REVENUE IN THE STATE TREASURY.

IN CLOSING, SHOW ONE PERSON WHO IN SOME WAY IS NOT SUBSIDIZED BY THE GOVERNMENT!!!

John L. Cerutti

Senate Finance Room 520

April 30-03

Attn.

General Information Office Fax 465-2864

Gary Wilkew Senate Bill SB 117

Eliminating Longevity Bonus

The longevity bonus for seniors when
ruled unconstitutional should have
ended at that time. -- Period

Since that time seniors that turned
sixty five and lived in the state
only one year received \$250 per month.
Also many new seniors came to the state.
They received the bonus also. This
increased State dollars \$ \$ \$ \$

The phasing out program the
legislature passed in early 1990
was another big mistake and
unfair. Now we have many
seniors 65 to 70 plus that receive
0. Some have lived in the state
all their lives. My husband and I
since 1955 along with many friends
on the 0 list.

The longevity when started gave seniors
a little help to stay in Alaska when they
lived here thirty years or all their
lives. This was a good program at the time.

I and my husband agree with
governor Murkowski, Longevity
Bonus is unfair and should not
to help cut State spending.

Take seniors that are in need and look
for help in other social service program
Our State and Federal Government have
A list of programs was mailed to all
State seniors from the governors
office. I kept my list.

Thank you for my time and your time

Ruth Johnson

PO Box 1402 Sitka AK 99835

P.S. The other day a lady I know made the
remark she and her husband enjoy their bonus
money of \$6000 per year for traveling. I moved to the
State in 1990 when 65 years old. Smart move
for them.



Alaska State Legislature

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Committee Name

Committee on Longevity Bonus, dated 5-1-03
Bill/Subject

URGENT! URGENT! URGENT!

We are greatly concerned and disturbed concerning the Longevity Bonus!!

What does the compromise do? It affects some of the "in between" who have depended upon the bonus. If the Longevity Bonus is "unfair to some" then limiting it to those whose income levels can be no higher than \$16,824 for singles and \$22,716 for couples is still "unfair."

One of us works part-time to meet our commitments. An income cut immediately would hurt. Pioneer Alaskans were known always to make good on their promises with a handshake. We have faith that those Alaskans who "don't need the Longevity Bonus" will willingly volunteer to turn theirs back to help the State budget. But leave the Longevity Bonus in tact to run out its term for those who depend on it now.

Signed [Signature] Alfred & Virginia Augustad
Testifier Virginia Augustad

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Alaska State Legislature

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Committee Name

Committee on Longevity Bonus, dated 4-30-03
Bill/Subject

My concerns are for our Native Elders who rely on the Longevity Bonus Program as a major source of income. Many have Native Allotments and own houses through the HUD program. Can the Legislature leave Native allotments and HUD housing off the list of assets. Also in villages, people need more than one type of vehicle for the different seasons - such as snow machines, four wheelers, and boats. I would suggest leaving these off the list of assests for qualifying for the program. Our Native people honor our Elders and ask that thrs program be allowed to continue.

Signed Roberta Mote
Testifier

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Alaska State Legislature

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Committee Name

Committee on Longevity Bonus, dated 5-1-03
Bill/Subject

Dear Sirs,

This Fax reached me in the afternoon of 4-30-03. Obviously we missed the deadline to testify.

This is an atrocity to take away this money from deserving Alaskans. My assets are tied up, my monthly income is a fixed amount, and the lack of that Bonus will hurt me. Again, for 30 years I have been a contributing member of this state. I am livid that this political machine will hurt me. All my life I have had faith in you, my Legislature to take care of my needs. Apparently I was wrong. This is very unfair.

Signed Billy Jo Taylor
Testifier

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**To Senate Finance Committee: Testimony for SB 117 Teleconference
4/30/03 @ 5:30 PM**

* Original mailed 5/1/03

I speak for myself. I am opposed to Senate Bill 117 as a substitution for and eventual elimination of the Longevity Bonus program

It was originally designed to encourage the older Alaskans who worked and helped build up what is now our present state. These elderly persons worked hard to make on unforgiving land one of promise where we could live a life style of choice and still be able to abide by Government rules and laws.

Your recommendation for qualifications is one of inequitable possibilities under the current age of increasing cost of living.

The loss of income will force many to apply for other subsistence and the mountains of paperwork will cost more in the long run than if you continue to pay the Bonus. Therefore you are robbing the senior to create more political jobs. You will be stripping us of pride and income.

The loss of spending cash will affect the already poor economy.

At the hearings I listened to many reasonable possible solutions to help keep this program and also help your budget.

You, Governor Murkowski, and Senators should try to live on the budget you set for the seniors on this program and see how it feels. In your campaign we were promised how you would improve the state, and as thanks for our vote and contributions you are taking away part of our income. I'm sorry I voted for you.

I am a widow 75 years old and a resident of Alaska for 48 years. I have worked hard and donated many hours and dollars to help make this state and my community a good place to raise my family and grandchildren in.

Geneva Smith

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From: Fairbanks LIO

Senate Finance Committee

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Date: 5/1/2007

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Re: Written Testimony SB 117

CC:

Urgent

For The Record

Please Comment

Please Reply

•Comments Written testimony for SB 117, teleconferenced on 4/30/04. The originals will be pouched to the committee co-chair.

Fran/Fbx LIO



ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate Finance Standing Comm.
 Committee on CS for SB117 Committee Name Dated 4.30.03
Bill / Subject

A bad idea! Makes one feel like a "third class citizen" - a worthless longtime Alaskan.

There haven't been 18,000 longevity recipients since mid 2001. Lets not inflate numbers. (Where did the ^{recent} 4,000 additional "unfairly treated seniors" come from since February 2003 - when there were 20,000 - (to quote the Gov. both times!))

Most seniors are trying to avoid becoming wards of the state by careful planning.

- Have you considered illegal use of
1. Permanent funds going outside? - don't live here.
 2. 10% teacher retirement going outside - don't live here.
 3. G.I.'s who have no intention of returning to Ak to live.

That 47 million is an easy way to please the Gov.!

SIGNED:

Jamette Hanneman
 Testifier

myself and Pioneers of Alaska
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April 30, 2003

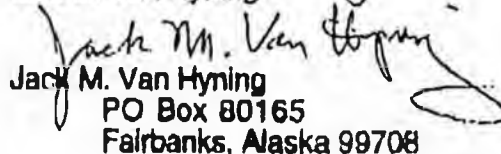
Members of the Senate Finance Committee:

After reading the recently revised Senate Bill No. 117 we could not believe that any Alaska State Legislator would ever want to remove the Safety Net from the old timers who helped build Alaska years ago. Now that these Pioneers are well over 75 years of age and are at a time of life where the Longevity Bonus (like a retirement) is needed now and when unexpected health and financial problems are most apt to occur. To tell these pioneers that we will not keep a promise to you. You cannot have a personal savings or money to see you through your last years is extremely demeaning. To say to old timers that you do not deserve a safety net unless you qualify for income at the welfare level is to tell them that you do not deserve anything for your hard work, hardships and efforts in building Alaska. Even President Bush is trying to put relief money back into the pockets of citizens to stimulate the economy. Our Alaska Legislature needs to recommend a State Sales Tax or Seasonal Tax so the elderly seniors and disabled would be assured of "Meals on Wheels" and the Longevity Bonus. Kids Care and adequate funds for education are also are priorities to maintain an adequate standard of living. A tax on out-of-state workers during the construction and fishing seasons should be put in place and the Governor and the Administration should prevail on their oil company friends to pay their bills. Many Alaska fishing families have received nothing from Exxon for the 1989 spill and payment of the now greatly reduced punitive damage claim would be a great boom to the Alaskan economy.

Respectfully,



Lois E. Van Hying

Jack M. Van Hying
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April 30, 2003

To: Senate Rules Committee

Subject: CS for Senate Bill No. 117 - Re: Longevity Bonus

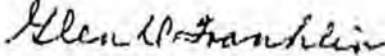
This proposed legislation is intended to supplement the current regulations that cover the Longevity Program, and will take the place of the phase-out that the current law designates. With due respect, I find this Bill degrading and an insult to the pioneers involved in the program, whether they as individuals would be eliminated from the program, or those that would qualify. As the Governor has stated, Alaska has many programs that are designed to help the poor and pick up the tab for those who are destitute.

The Longevity Bonus was not designed for those reasons and the recipients are entitled to a phase out that has some dignity about it. Many of us will agree that the annual expenditures for the current qualified long-term residents if carried to its demise, (estimated 2031,) is excessive, and not fair to other Alaskans.

A more equitable way to eliminate the Program would be to speed up the phase out. Each year, starting with July 1, 2003, reduce the annual payments to current participants by 20% per year. For example, current participants receiving \$250 would be reduced to \$200 per month and so on down the line of other lesser amounts as specified in the current program. The phase-out would then eliminate the Program in five (5) years. Everyone takes the same hit, and participants will have a period to adjust their income to offset the shock of a one-time blow. There would be very little additional expense determining who was eligible for the phase-out, as compared to changing the recipients to a "needs" basis.

Keep in mind that we did not invent the Longevity Program, and we had nothing to do with the increase in recipients, but we do need time to adjust to the loss of income.

Since the Program was to be phased out, we had no warning before the ballots were counted in the last election that the Governor was taking aim at the Longevity Bonus Program.

Glen D. Franklin, 
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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate Finance Committee ^{Standing}
 Committee on SB 117 (CS I) _{Bill / Subject} ^{Committee Name} Dated 4-30-03

Oppose the bill & its concept.

Remember ^{you} your friends!!

The (BIG BOSS) does not need it all at once.

If longevity must go — Go Slow.
 Give time to adjust!!!

DO NOT ADD EMPLOYEES TO PROGRAM
 JUST TO CUT IT!!

SIGNED:

Alex L. Harman
 Testifier

Self
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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate Finance
 Committee on SB 117 Committee Name
Bill / Subject Dated 04/30/03

I am against your Bill that would
 take the money away from the poor people
 - by in hell don't you put in a income tax
 the you could get people that make the money
 here and go out side and spend it out side
 and don't give a damn about the people here
 we need some people in our government that
 will do something for the people that live here
 I have lived in Alaska for seventy three years
 just don't pass a bill against us

SIGNED: Harold Starbuck
 Testifier

 Representing

 Address / Phone Number



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the SENATE FINANCE Committee
committee name

Committee on HB 117., dated Apr 28, 2003.
bill # / subject

I am against any change
to the longevity bonus program.
+ the passing of the above bill
or amendments.

Signed: James F. Caldwell
Testifier

Representing (optional)

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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the SENATE FINANCE Committee
committee name

Committee on SB-117, dated Apr. 28, 2003
bill # / subject

Mr. Chairman Honorable, Senators - I am not a senior yet but I am an Alaska Voter + seniors are my mentors - I am not in favor of this amendment or touching the longevity bonus period. I feel you need to honor the past commitment of our state government to these seniors. They have already adjusted their budgets for many years to include it. Many I've talked to need it for medical reasons. This money in turn then comes back into our economy + receive little reward stay in the seniors pocket. I was always taught to respect + keep my promises if I made one. Is it fair to take it because this government has failed to be fiscally responsible + operate within a balanced budget? I strongly suggest that you do the right thing + leave our seniors alone. After all most of them made the ultimate sacrifice to make this state what it is today. Wouldn't it be better to give them the option to make a decision to relinquish it if they have sufficient wealth or income instead of asking them to apply welfare + assistance? The administration +

Signed: Petia Falkenberg
Policing of Government. These requirements will also increase the cost of Government. You need to respect your Elders!

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(Suggest a State lottery) It does work other places + the money is volunteered not raised from senior citizens!



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate Finance Committee
committee name

Committee on HB-11 and SB173, HB59
C. Sfr. Senate Bill 117, dated 4-30-03
bill # / subject

I am opposed to taking the longevity bonus away from those receiving it and also opposed to a phase out of the program making seniors prove their need. There has been lots of testimony from seniors and I am sure you have lots of E-mails on the subject. In today's paper the house + senate rejected ending the program, however, it informs everyone that Senate Republicans plan to craft legislation to preserve the program for needy seniors. Hello, hello, welfare and goodbye independence. Alaska voters elected you to represent them and any change to the program does not, its only an end run around the longevity program by the governor and some senators and representatives when they see dollar signs on any pocket of money. I urge everyone to keep the present longevity program intact. For fiscal responsibility why not have an Alaska State Income Tax or Lottery, this would bring money to the state. Please do not support CS for senate bill 117.

Signed: Lynne Jones
Testifier

Self
Representing (optional)

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AAEP Capital City Task Force 4/30

~~##BT##~~

Your Committee has copies of my ^{previous} written testimony on this bill in which I covered the economic impact on the state & to the communities in which they live,

The bonus allows them to remain independent rather than have to apply for any of the Governor's safety nets. I won't repeat what you have already heard.

AAEP believes the services should have an opportunity to work with the administration on how this program could be reconfigured to help finance it.

Marie Darlin
586-3637

*Mc chairman
Horton
Senators
Stevens
O'Leary
Hoffman*



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate Finance
Committee Name

Committee on SB 117, dated April 30, 2003

Bill/Subject

I am here to express my ^{*objection*} to SB 117 regarding the Alaska Longevity bonus. This bill would detrimentally impact Alaska's most honored citizens, our elders. *objecting the enactment of*

I respect this Committee's diligence in addressing the budget shortfalls. I recognize your decisions are difficult and laden with burden.

I believe there are two options, cut back spending or generate more revenues. This proposed cutback will hurt elders. Generating revenues makes everyone that can pay for services and programs - pay. I was told that there are approximately 18000 Alaskan elders that receive the longevity bonus. The cost is approximately \$47 million.

In 2001, total wages earned in Alaska equaled \$9.3 Billion dollars and non-residents earned \$1.1 billion dollars of that money. A 5% income tax would have generated \$465 Million dollars, of which Non-residents would have had to give back to Alaska in the amount of \$50.5 Million dollars. **The revenue generated from the non-residents alone would be more than enough to cover the expenses related to providing a bonus to our respected elder..**

We all know it's time to pay the piper. But the question is who is to pay? I believe it should be those that work and can afford to pay, not our honored elders. Why would anyone want to balance the budget on the backs of our elders?

Many of ~~the~~ ^{*elderly*} elders benefiting paid income tax and provided ^{*tax*} ~~income~~ ^{*income*} to the state's coffers. *ask you, REVENUE*
The question is not whether we can afford this program; the question is, "are there alternative solutions?" I believe there are. I respectfully request that you not support SB 117.

Signed *Myrna Gardner*

Testifier - Myrna Gardner

Self

Representing (Optional)

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*I wish
Senator
Burdell
had stayed
in this hearing
to see*



Alaska State Legislature

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 Committee name
 Committee on Longevity Bonus , dated 4-30-03
Senate Bill No. 117
 Bill/Subject

The figures used for monthly income is fair. The Fed Bank of Alaska uses \$1709⁰⁰ for one and \$2,302⁰⁰ for two people. The Dept. of Health & Social Services Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program used these same figures.

The change in the Longevity Bonus program looks like a welfare program. Seniors with \$100⁰⁰ to \$250⁰⁰ a month have kept them off that programs and give them independence.

There has been several seniors passed away in the past month here in the Wasilla Senior Campus so the 18000 has been reduced. As seniors die the program will be phased out completely. So why change it.

Signed: Betty Mercer
 Testifier

Seniors and Wasilla Senior Center
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Alaska State Legislature

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Committee name

Committee on SB117, dated 4/30/03

Bill/Subject

See attached

3 PAGES

Signed: _____

Testifier

Representing (Optional)

Address

Phone number

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4-30-03

My name is Louise Harris, I am
Pres. of Palmer Senior Center.

I have read and heard that the Governor
wants to grow the resources to balance
the state's budget. My opinion is that
seniors are a resource. When we receive
the Longevity Bonus each month it is
spent right here in Alaska and therefore
goes ^{into} into the economy. We also spend our
pensions, if we have one, some do not!
~~which are usually smaller than~~
~~our salaries when we worked.~~ The Alaska
budget benefits from our presence here.

Seniors are also proud. To apply for
welfare is demeaning. It is also a problem
for those who have trouble filling out forms
and doing paper work. The Bonus, in
contrast, is based only on age - seniors can
maintain their dignity - ^{not} feel they are begging.

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Since age is the criterion, this program is phasing out naturally. I, for instance, am 89 and don't expect to be on the list much longer. Every day there are names of people in their late 70's, 80's and 90's listed in the Obituary columns.

Doing away with the Longevity Bonus will have an impact on younger Alaskans also. Many of them will have to help their parents who will not have money to buy their presc. drugs, and pay living expenses.

This is a program that helps everyone in Alaska.



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Signed: William K Church _____
Testifier

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April 30, 2003

To Members of the Senate Finance Committee

Subject: Longevity Bonus

My name is Bill Church, age 72, and I have lived in Alaska for 69 years. I worked my whole life here and subsequently retired here.

I'm not so old that I can't realize the necessity of cutting the budget. However, there are many elderly people who can't make it without the longevity bonus and I think it would be pretty heartless take this away from them. This "needs based longevity bonus" would take care of these people who would otherwise fall between the cracks.

I consider myself a true Alaskan, and I can see a need for changes in the longevity program. As has been said many times, it was created to reward those longtime Alaskans who lived here, worked, and helped make Alaska what it is today. It no longer serves that purpose. As has also been said, it has created two classes of seniors; actually more than that. There are long-time Alaskans who get the bonus; there are short time Alaskans who get the bonus; and there are long-time Alaskans who don't get the bonus. It probably would be a fairly reasonable thing to say that those of us who don't get the bonus could use it just as well as those getting it. Whether they needed it or not, those receiving the bonus have received thousands of dollars since the program started, or they reached age 65. We are all being asked to tighten our belts, so perhaps those not in dire need of the bonus will now be willing to sacrifice a little in order to look out for those who are.

I sat in during the last two legislative audio conferences, and heard many people talking about, "it being nice to have, they had gotten used to it and it wasn't right to take it away now, it was their mad money, etc." I also had planned on the bonus at age 65, but missed the deadline by 5 months. It was necessary to make several major adjustments in our retirement plans at that time, as my wife would also have received it. Perhaps the people fortunate enough to have received the bonus should be grateful it lasted as long as it did.

I spoke with one of the Johnny come lately Alaskans and he said, and I quote him, "If the legislature does this, I'm going BACK down south." All I can say is that people like this are not Alaskans. Alaskans are here through both the good times and the bad. Perhaps it would not be such a bad thing if some of these people who came up here strictly for the benefits Alaska offered were to return home when the benefits stopped.

When you consider the number of senior citizens residing in Alaska, these hearings show how few of them are willing to give up even a few minutes to defend the programs benefiting them. Perhaps they are not as important to them as we think.

Bill Church



Alaska State Legislature

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Committee name

Committee on HB 117 _____, dated 4/30/03 _____

Bill/Subject

I do not sanction putting the longevity bonus in a welfare concept, if we are already on it, please leave us alone or let us draw it until we die. Many of us are far from \$1402.00 per month, why dig in to our private bank accounts. It is none of your business how we handle our private matters. Please keep so much politics out of our private affairs.

Signed: Edward F. Anderson
Testifier

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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate Finance
 Committee name
 Committee on SB. 117, dated 4/30/03
 Bill/Subject

Wow - How Gov Murkowski -
 SB 117 would give us pioneers a
 chance to apply for charity! Thanks!
 Your promise made to prompt us
 to vote for you gave no indication
 what we would be so demeaned!!
 Should this bill pass I sure know
 who we seniors and our family will
 vote out of gov Office in the coming
 election! Sincerely -

Signed: Eileen G. Jensen
 Testifier

Myself & senior friend & family
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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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 COMMITTEE: _____

I am an Alaskan resident since 1951 and I hope I can remain here with the aid of the longevity bonus when my health is slowly eroding as I approach 82 this fall. The Ketchikan Daily News stated a huge increase in revenues for British Petroleum Oil Company at a time when oil prices have fluctuated from high to low. When an oil company can show a glorious increase of 4.2 billion dollars - double the amount gained last year - where is the problem?

I suggest our legislators go back and negotiate a reasonable severance tax for the oil being taken by British Petroleum Oil company. There's plenty of oil - let our bashful legislators stop giving oil away for nothing. Good luck.

Alaska is rich in resources - let's use them wisely.

I oppose the passing of Senate Bill #117

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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BILL# or SUBJECT: SB117
COMMITTEE: _____

I AM PRESIDENT OF LOCAL CHAPTER AARP
HERE KETCHIKAN, - ABOUT 250
STRONG -

WE ARE OPPOSED TO ANY REDUCTION
TO THE LONGEVITY BONUS - I TESTIFIED,
THREE TIMES AND GIVEN WRITTEN TESTIMONY
MANY TIMES - THE COMMITTEE HAS
HEARD ALL THE REASONS WHY THE NEED FOR
THE BONUS -

THE 'LONGEVITY' BONUS ELIGIBILITY DRAFT BILL
DATED APRIL 29/30 IS UNACCEPTABLE

THE ELIGIBLE FOR THE BONUS
MONTHLY INCOMES AND ASSETS VALUES
ARE TOO LOW AND INSULTING TO
A SENIOR MAINTAINING A HOME-LIVING
A WELFARE FOR LIFE STYLE, -

I PERSONALLY FEEL THIS LAST MINUTE
DECISION NEEDS ADDITIONAL STUDY & CHANGING THE
INTENT OF THIS PROGRAM IS UNACCEPTABLE.

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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BILL# or SUBJECT: CS FOR SENATE BILL #119C
COMMITTEE: _____

Administrative Service to administer the
University Bonus Program of \$1 million to
18,000 Alaska citizens who are very expensive.

I do object to the elimination of the Administrative
Administration of the University Bonus Program. It will
eventually eventually.

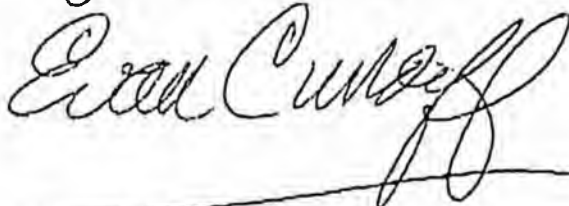
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4-30-03

765-2187

I want to thank all the members of the state of Alaska 23 rd Legislature, the members of Senate Rules Committee and especially Governor Frank Murkowski for this opportunity to speak my mind. At this time there is no way that any rational person can be so naïve to believe that the majority of our elected representatives plan to oppose the reconstruction of the Longevity Bonus Program. All the facts are in and duly noted. Not only duly noted but also completely ignored. I predict that the resultant effect of this bill will be a total disaster. Not just for the senior citizens involved but ^{for} all the people of Alaska and mostly the craven legislature who gave birth to it. I for one, as in the past, will never miss an election but hence forth in the future I will oppose any and every legislation offered and actively encourage all within my voice and pen to do the same. This Legislature and its Governor is totally corrupt and deplete of morals. With no shame have chosen to equate the future well being and peace of its senior citizenry and pioneers of this State to bike trails, road improvements, enticements for tourists and their own personal welfare. For having chosen these baseless priorities and so willfully jeopardizing so many lives I solemnly wish that each of you reap by a hundredfold the pain that you have caused.

GLEN FRANKLIN FAIRBANKS -

Evan Cundiff
Homer, Alaska



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Attention Senate Finance Committee

Testimony April 30, 2003

RE: Eliminating Longevity Bonus Program

This bill is wrong on several counts. It breaks a commitment made when the final sunset clause was adopted in 1994. It serves as a quick and dirty way to save money for "better" purposes, done in haste with little regard of its overall effect.

I believe that most of the people presently getting the bonus will qualify for public assistance, or if they just can't live with "going on the dole" they will take the rest of their money and go outside where it will no longer re-circulate in the Alaska economy.

The last minute change in the bill to turn it into an official public assistance bill was done without gathering the facts. The estimates are just broad suppositions. Finally, some consideration was given to continue payments through August instead of just callously ending the checks in July. As much advance notice is given to criminals.

However, do you know anyone who can find new housing, especially low income, with only a month's notice? Are you aware that there are very few vacancies for which people of little means can qualify? The Pioneers' Home was mentioned as one solution. Anyone knows their waiting list would require several years if ever to get you a placement.

Even if people apply through the new public assistance formula, do you have the staff to process the applications quickly? First, it will take some time for them to gather the documentation needed, once they understand what it is you want. Do you plan to include applications in your next check mailing? I suspect as soon as the bill passes they will be forgotten in a quagmire of paperwork.

I have heard from some bonus recipients in recent days. Some rely on the bonus to buy medication, to buy groceries, and to pay for help with chores they are too ill to take care of. They repeatedly tell me that this was suppose to have been settled and now feel you are going back on your word.

Just today, one bonus recipient told me how it use to be before the bonus. "We weren't a normal state. The average age was 25!" People had to relocate to the "Alaska village" in Washington or Oregon where they reminisced about "The Great Land."

Today I see seniors everywhere I go. They serve in many volunteer positions, become foster grandparents in schools, serve as mentors in extended families, and generally raise the level of civilization of our state. Some hold part time jobs that would be difficult to fill otherwise.

Seniors do have money which helps boost our economy, they just don't quite have enough. These days there are 401k's and retirement plans that people can get into. Years ago they did not exist. The Longevity Bonus which allowed them to stay also brought more medical facilities in a state where often there were not enough people to support a physician.

Please consider the real effect of your actions here today. Keep the Longevity Bonus and your promise.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Doris Robbins".

Doris Robbins
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38 Year Resident



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committee on elimination of longevity, dated 4/30/03
bill/subject

Anyone spending time in villages or interacting with
Alaskan Elders knows how critical the longevity bonus
is. To eliminate it will be devastating to low
income Elders. If there is a need to trim the
budget, then perhaps there should be an
income level cut-off for receipt of the bonus, or
the opportunity for higher income Elders to decline
the check. (Then again, eliminating the longevity bonus
will insure our next Governor will be
Thank you. a democrat.)

Signed: Grand Juror
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BILL# or SUBJECT: SB 117 LONGEVITY
COMMITTEE: (S) FINANCE

I AM A LONG TIME RESIDENT BORN IN
PETERSBURG IN 1923. FATHER CAME IN
LATE 1800'S MOTHER HAD RESTAURANT IN
PETERSBURG IN 1910 - BOTH BURIED IN PETERSBURG
I HAVE LIVED IN ALASKA ALL
MY LIFE.

I FEEL THE LONGEVITY BONUS
HELPS SENIORS TO LIVE AND ENJOY
LONG TIME ALASKA LIVING BECAUSE
THIS IS HOME. OUR FAMILY LIVES
IN ALASKA.

IF THE LONGEVITY BONUS IS
TAKEN AWAY A LOT OF PEOPLE
WILL HAVE TO MOVE TO THE
LOWER 48 WHERE LIVING COSTS ARE
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WILL BE SUFFICIENT FOR AWHILE.
MEDICAL EXPENSES OFTEN RUN OVER
WHAT MEDICARE OR INSURANCE WILL COVER
LONGEVITY WILL HELP WITH THAT ALSO

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Mabel Smeltzer

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Cc: <governor@gov.state.ak.us>
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Subject: Proposed Substitute Longevity Bill

The first response to your proposed new Longevity Bill is: How much will it cost to institute the new eligibility for this program: (hire more people, reprogram computers, research finances, mailing costs to send out new forms; and all this by July 1, 2003?) This kind of thinking would only escalate the high cost of state government.

The motivation should be for Seniors to stay in and maintain their home so as NOT to have to ask for assistance for as long as they are able. This means they must be able to do this and to receive reasonable medical attention, pay for drugs, pay for heat and electricity and nourishing food as needed. First the ability to drive is lost (we have a borough bus, but it doesn't go into the borough) so mobility is impaired. The dependence on others is starting.

These are Seniors who have saved and survived the downturn, but now are asked to give up what has been promised to them by law.

Ernest and Mabel Smeltzer
298 Sunset Drive N
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Hello! My name is Jim Dennis and I reside at 430 Hamilton drive Craig Alaska. There is an editorial in yesterdays Ketchikan paper calling for the longevity bonus program to be turned in to a needs based system. That's great! Whack everyone off that does not meet some definition of poverty and make the rest feel like bums. I have been watching this budget battle with growing disgust for the last several years. Every one wants to cut out the fat in government but the "fat" has turned in to a giant hot potato that every one wants to pass on to some one else. It seems that old people and children are the easiest group to stick with the hot potato.

When I was a child I was told that you were supposed to be nice to old people, children and women, as they were weaker than the rest of us. Now, I know that the last part there is no longer politically correct and if said in the wrong company, is likely to get you beat up, but I thought the first two principals were still valid. Wrong again. I am good at that.

In school I was taught that as citizens we have rights and responsibilities. Among those rights and responsibility it was implied that we have the right to good government and the responsibility to pay for our fair share of it. The free ride is over. It is time to step up and pay our part in this. It is time for a State income tax. I don't see what the bitch is. If you don't have any income then you don't have to pay. If you have income then you have the money to pay. If you don't like paying then pack your bags and leave. That is just what some elderly Alaskans will have to do if you take away the longevity bonus.

The last time I was In Anchorage I saw there were still lot's of fancy houses and car's so I would guess that the old adage of go north and make your fortunes is still alive and well. We auto to use a little of that fortune to pay for a few old people and to educate the children instead of just taking the money and running. Thank you.

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COMMITTEE: (S) FINANCE

THE LONGEVITY PROGRAM SHOULD BE
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RETURNED INTO THE COMMUNITY BY
LIVING EXPENSES FOR HIGH COST OF
LIVING IN ALASKA.

I HAVE BEEN A RESIDENT OF
ALASKA SINCE 1950; HAVE HOME
AND FAMILY HERE AND PLAN ON
LIVING HERE ALL MY LIFE.
MY HUSBAND WAS BORN IN
PETERSBURG IN 1923
MY FAMILY LESTER ELKINS AND
HELEN FENN HAVE BEEN IN
ALASKA SINCE EARLY 1920'S AND 1930'S.

MEDICAL EXPENSES ARE ENORMOUS AND
LONGEVITY MONEY HELPS WITH THAT ADDED
EXPENSE.



Fireweed Place

Tlingit-Haida Regional Housing Authority

"Housing Designed by Seniors for Seniors"

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April 30, 2003

Co Chairs, Senator Green, Senator Wilken and Senators

My name is Lorilyn Swanson I reside in Juneau and have been the manager of Fireweed Place, an apartment building for seniors for the past 8 years. We have 78 seniors living in the building at this time. Of these 78, 40 receive the Longevity Bonus. The Longevity Bonus is anywhere from 30 to 40% of their income. Many are already on subsidized housing waivers, which are based on the Medium Income Limits for each Borough. As you must be aware the Medium Income Limits were just revised as of 2/20/2003 and under these new limits low low income for a single person in Juneau is \$2,366.66 to qualify for housing and \$2,708 for a couple. In Anchorage it is \$2,145.83 for a single person and \$2,454.16 for a couple. It varies for each community. As you can see these figures are far above the figures that have been set forth in CS to SB 117.

This bill needs to be thought out more carefully before setting income limits as many seniors feel that while they were once wanted in the state they are now being force to apply for welfare and the promise once made to them to get they to stay in the state is now being broken.

Read the McDowell Group report of December 2000. Read the Alaska Trends of 2001 these all support the Longevity bonus for seniors. The Governor has chosen to make two classes of citizens those that receive the bonus and those that don't. Seniors to not look at it this way – it has just been accepted as is.

Please give us a year to work on a program where if the longevity bonus must be reduced that it can be done in a way that will not jeopardize ones living situation as of July 1. AARP, Senior Groups are all willing to work with you on a program – give the seniors the time and allow us to work out a solution to be put in place for next year. Thank you.



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Committee on HB 117
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I think this Bill should not be passed. My parents are both in their 70's and although my mother is eligible for Native medical services, my father a Korean war veteran is not and he relies on the longevity bonus for medical insurance. Having poverty level limits on eligibility is unfair to older productive citizens that have contributed a lot to the State of Alaska.

Signed Jeffrey A. Alderson
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URGENT FOR REVIEW PLEASE COMMENT PLEASE REPLY PLEASE RECYCLE

MESSAGE: It would really help if we have a good
understanding in all the bills their passing. And
please Dont hesitate to e-mail me. If you
need any public concerns or surveys done.

Thank you
Julia



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Committee on Longevity Bonus Program
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Signed Julia Cleveland
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I strongly believe that if the Longevity bonus is take away from our elders they are jeopardizing our Elders. As a Former Healthaide (When you become old like an elder you also become like a child, that needs help with pretty much every thing in life just to survive.

Now days they need all the money coming in for them just to have bills payed, Food on the table, heat to buy stove oil, RENT To pay. medical reasons, EX....

SO please look and think carefully who really needs this money Our Elders! Needs the money.

Thank you

Signed Mary J Ramoth
Testifier Mary J Ramoth
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I object the removal of longevity bonus benefits from our elders. Without this income elders will have a hard time to purchase non-food items such as, laundry soap, gas for subsistence hunting and stove oil to heat their homes.

Living in a place where we don't have access to whole sale, prices are unbelievable high. Just a box of 30 per load laundry soap cost 34⁰⁰

Please, leave the longevity bonus benefits alone. The elders depend on it for non-food items.

Mary Jayne



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate Finance Committee on 'The Longevity Bonus Program, dated April 30, 2003. My Name is Roswell L. Schaeffer, Sr. Mayor of the Northwest Arctic Borough.

The Elders Longevity bonus program was changed by the State legislature as an agreed commitment between the two groups to cut the longevity bonus program on a sliding scale in 1994. This was a state contract with the older Alaskans whereby, in 1994 the longevity bonus program was cut to \$67 million dollars and is now down to \$47 million.

In the Northwest Arctic Borough alone we have 185 Elders receiving the longevity bonus for a total of about \$1.7 million dollars a year. The Governor must realize that these Elders in our region for the most part have not held permanent full time jobs to accumulate a retirement fund. They have spent the majority of their lives hunting, fishing and gathering foods for their families without the luxury of a job. Some have held seasonal jobs throughout their lives. It is our generation that will have a retirement to turn to in the future because most of us work.

A large reduction or the elimination of the Longevity Bonus Program will have a very devastating effect on our Elders. For example: A Selawik Elder talked about her fixed income recently. Her longevity bonus and social security checks totaled about \$1,300.00 a month. After paying all her bills she has \$300.00 to live on for the rest of the month. Many of our Elders in this region don't have the luxury of having any retirement because they have been living off subsistence all of their lives and have not worked full time during their lifetimes to build a nest-egg of retirement benefits as do many Americans in the urban areas. Receiving a fixed income for Elders mean that every little bit of income helps and without it they are put into a bind.

The longevity bonus means a lot to our Elders and without that \$250.00 a month they have nowhere to turn. Governor Murkowski, in his infinite wisdom and of course, lack of knowledge about rural people stated on television, "Well, let them apply for welfare." Welfare Reform is a reality. This program is very limited in its cash distribution...only families with dependent children can receive cash and only for a short period of time. The Elders, if they were eligible for welfare could only apply for food stamps. Many are too proud to look at welfare as a means of support. Making this program a welfare program is wrong. It may have adverse effects on many of our proud Elders.

In this region alone, the longevity bonus serves 185 of our Elders, bringing to our region \$46,250.00 per month for a total of about \$1.7 million dollars a year. I reviewed the Elders listed in each village who received the longevity bonus. In the village of Noatak there were 14 Elders receiving the longevity bonus. Of these 14 Elders, none of them ever held a permanent full time job to accumulate retirement benefits. Five of these Elders worked construction or held other seasonal jobs to receive some social security benefits. Our Elders are of the generation who were totally dependant upon hunting, camping, fishing, trapping and for the women, raising a lot of

children. I would venture to say that at least 50% of us 'baby boomers' will be eligible for retirement benefits because we have worked in permanent full time positions to earn these benefits. It has been only in these last 25 years that many of us have seriously looked at permanent full time employment and for the future retirement benefits.

I applaud the House Finance committee for taking the stand on continuing with the longevity bonus. With our yearly Permanent Fund Dividends getting smaller each year I think this is a bad time to eliminate the longevity bonus program. I recommend that the Senate should let the longevity bonus program ride out its term but not as a welfare program.

Signed

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Committee Name

Committee on LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM, dated APRIL 30, 2003
Bill/Subject

IT IS A GOOD IDEA TO HAVE ELIGIBILITY RULES TO PREVENT ABUSE OF THE SYSTEM. NOT EVERYONE NEEDS/DESERVES THIS SORT OF GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE. PEOPLE SHOULD CONSIDER THEMSELVES FORTUNATE TO EVEN HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO APPLY FOR THIS BONUS MONEY. BEFORE THE GOVERNMENT CAME ALONG, THERE WAS NO ONE TO HELP THE ELDERLY. UNLESS YOU THINK BEING PUT ON A BOAT AND OUT TO SEA TO DIE IS ASSISTANCE.

GOVERNMENT HAND-OUTS ARE NO SUBSTITUTE FOR PERSONAL FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY OR FAMILY INVOLVEMENT.

Signed Charlotte E. Ormling
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Committee Name

Committee on Longevity Bonus, dated 4/29/03
Bill/Subject

I do not believe the longevity Bonus
Should be changed in any way. It
is gradually going out anyway so why
spend more money to change it now. Other times
and work to change this is not good at
this time.

Thank you

Signed Dennis Brankney Dennis Brankney
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Committee on Longevity Bonus, dated 4/30/03
Bill/Subject

Senators. Again we must protest your plan to eliminate the Longevity Bonus even with intent to make a welfare program. The proposed eligibility with a monthly income down to poverty level would eliminate most of us - and place many seniors in the situation of relying on family or leaving the state in order to survive. Apparently you people are determined to eliminate the elders from Alaska Society. Why do you refuse to listen to the general public, when again and again, people are saying that the only fair way to eliminate the financial deficit is an income tax; let all people share the burden. You guys don't live in the real world!

Signed Elizabeth & Albert Dennis
Testifier ourselves & others in the same boat
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Senate Finance

Committee Name

Committee on

Longevity Bonus

dated

4-30-03

Bill/Subject

The Longevity Bonus check represents 12 percent of my personal income.

I have no objection to losing 12 percent of my income, IF every other resident of the state is asked to give up 12 percent of his or her income, starting with the governor and every legislator, every state employee, every employee of the oil companies, and all other working people of the state.

Loss of the L.B. check will force many older residents into poverty level. Many may have to leave the state (reluctantly). The 300 percent increase in the cost of my medications over the past 15 months has already caused me to restrict my extremely modest lifestyle as well as made it impossible for me to continue any level of support of charitable and nonprofit agencies of the city and state.

It is true that the Longevity Bonus is "not fair." It never was. By the same token, LIFE is not fair, and all men (and women) are definitely NOT created equal, in this state and country any more than anywhere else.

Signed

Carol A. Phillips

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Committee Name

Committee on Longevity Bonus Pgm., dated April 30, 2003
Bill/Subject

Please do not make it difficult for our senior citizens to receive the Longevity Bonus by treating it as a form of Public Assistance.

I know for a fact that this bonus is very much needed by our senior citizens and is something that all senior citizens are deserving of.

How would you like to have to apply to see if you qualify for your retirement income? Many of our senior citizens have not had the privilege of having a job that would ensure them of a retirement income. Leave the program alone!

Signed Dana Gail McKenzie

Testifier Mattie Bodfish, Billy Pattkotak, Sr., Amy B. Pattkotak

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FROM: Herb & Polly Didrickson

MESSAGE:Re: Elimination of the Longevity Bonus

They would like you to know that being on a fixed income, they appreciate and depend on their longevity checks. They still have a house payment.

Thank you, Herb & Polly Didrickson, Sitka constituents

My name is Robert Thibodeau. I am the person that strongly objected to the elimination of the Longevity Bonus program. And I wrote a letter and hand-delivered it to every legislator. And now I must object to the "needs based" substitute for pretty much the same reasons. If you are in need of a copy, I will be happy to get a one for you.

What can I say that will give seniors the same consideration and respect as say the oil companies? Why are we, seniors treated so badly? Studies made by various groups such as the McDowell Group clearly show that seniors contribute a lot more economically to the State of Alaska than what they receive from the State and that includes the Longevity Bonus. Are the lucky ones those that leave the State and retire elsewhere? Why are nursing homes and drugs so expensive? Why are we afraid to go to the Doctor's office for fear that we will be burdened with another medical expense? Is Alaska to be the home of the rich retirees that "snowboard" outside every winter. And I might add, what are your plans when you reach the age of retirement? Does Alaska offer the same benefits that other States do?

You are going to receive a lot of testimony from seniors. They are going to plead and appeal to your reason. Not one is happy with the "needs based" arrangement. There will be no discussion. You will have done your duty. I don't think that it will make any difference. You have already made up your mind. But whom are you listening to? Who has your attention? With seniors leaving the State, you will be relieved of a burden. It is a sad day for seniors and for the State of Alaska. Again I am Robert Thibodeau, 81 years young and "bitching". I don't wish any of you to get old and be burdened with aches and pains and worries of old age. The native population had the right idea. Respect for age is one of their ingrained principles. We could learn a lot from them. Oh yes, we die and then it is over.

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Committee Name

Committee on LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM, dated 04-30-03
Bill/Subject Fax (907) 465 2187

WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE LONGEVITY PROGRAM AND ASK TO HAVE IT CONTINUED. ALASKANS, WHO ~~L~~AIVE HERE - AND MANY WHO CAME HERE - ARE IN NEED OF THE MONTHLY CHECK; THEY COUNT ON IT. THE "LIMIT" SET UP TO RECEIVE IT IS OUTRAGES. THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS WHO SET UP THE REVISED PROGRAM SHOULD ~~L~~AIVE UNDER THESE LIMITS AND SEE ON THEMSELVES HOW FAR THEIR MONEY GOES! THEIR CAN BE A DIFFERENT SOLUTION FOR THE BUDGET SHORTFALL.

WHAT ABOUT THE INCOME TAX?! WE HAD IT FOR MANY YEARS!

Signed Therena Q. Lang and Henry P. Lang
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Committee Name

Committee on Longevity Bonus, dated April 30, 2003
Bill/Subject

FAX 907--465-2187

We have previously expressed our opinion regarding the Longevity Bonus Program. Many Seniors have come to depend on it and would be seriously affected by its cancelation. Seniors are declining at an alarming rate. We count 20 friends who have passed away this past year. The program will become less costly and phase out in the near future.

Robert E. Renkert

Mildred W. Renkert

rer:b

Signed

Testifier

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Robert E. Renkert Mildred W. Renkert



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Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate Finance Committee
Committee Name

Committee on Longevity Bonus, dated 4/30/03

Bill/Subject

As pioneer Alaskans we respectfully request your consideration of maintaining the Longevity Bonus in its present form.

We believe there should be honor in Government and stand by a promise made to us in the form of the Longevity Bonus and our future time in Alaska.

Having lived in Alaska since 1942 and served in the Army during WWII as an Alaska veteran I speak for many of my associates and friends who also depend on what was given and we are very thankful.

If this Bonus never happened we might have depended on other plans, however the Bonus has been factored in our lives and our future. At age 76 there isn't a whole lot one can do at this point to change one's life.

We are not asking for charity as the new bill is worded; just honor the trust we should have in our representatives to keep your word. Please do not change the present Longevity Bonus as it now stands.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

We are counting on you to do the right thing.

Sincerely,

Richard and Patricia Garvin

Signed

Richard N. Garvin

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Committee Name

Committee on LONGEVITY BONUS, dated 4/30/2003
Bill/Subject

I feel strongly that a requirement to place the Longevity Bonus in the category of "Need" is an insult to the integrity of each senior required to do so.

The bonus was a commitment made by the State of Alaska and should be honored as such.

Signed Robert B. Smith (ROBERT B. SMITH)
Testifier

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Committee on Longevity Bonus Program
Senate Finance Committee, dated 4-30-03

 Bill/Subject

This program was not established as a public assistance program and should not be considered one now. It was a program to benefit seniors for their contributions to the state. It as you know, is already being phased out.

This small group of people should not be singled out for such a reduction in their income. Other state wide measures should be instituted as needed such as a graduated income tax or/and a sales tax.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

Signed Suzanne Stefano

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Committee Name

Committee on _____ Longivity Bonus _____, dated _____ April 30, 2003 _____

I am totally against cutting the Longivity Bonus given to the Elders of Alaska. This money whatever little it may seem, helps all Elders of Alaska. It helps elders in the urban and rural both. Living in the rural is very harsh. Food, stove oil, electricity (to name a few) is RIDICULOUSLY expensive out there. I grew up in the rural community and I know what it is like out there.

Elders in the Urban community use this for Medications, homes, food, warm clothing and such. I also live in an Urban community and understand how much help this would be. A while back I was looking for a liscensed babysitter, I went to interview her. I didn't realize how old she was, until I went to her house. She looked like she had arthritis, her back was bent over and she had a lot of wrinkles. Her house was very old, it had a very musty smell to it. My husband and I left after the interview. As we were driving off my husband said, "no way, "she look like she might collapse any time". Up to this day, I think about her. There may be other babysitter wanna be's like her out there that might depend on this little income they look forward to. Please, don't do this!!!



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Committee on THE LONGEVITY Bonus, dated April 30, 2003
Bill/Subject

I believe that prior to this date, many senior Alaskans testified that they did not want to see the Longevity Bonus Program eliminated or tampered with. For the third time I must state the same; leave the Longevity Bonus Program alone. Most of us have been paying taxes in this State for 50 + years and the program is due to terminate soon, and eliminate the problem it causes with balancing the budget. Although Governor Murkowski campaigned with a promise of no new taxes, that promise has already been broken, and a statewide income tax is the best way to balance the budget, in the minds of many Alaskans. I've seen too many Bristol Bay fishermen head back to the lower 48 without contributing to our economy in any way and understand the North Slope oil field workers are in much the sameboat. I know of one who lives in Florida and commutes for North Slope big paying jobs. If there must be cutbacks; let's start with them that do not contribute anything to our State.

Signed

Testific: Melvin J. Monson Sr.

Melvin J. Monson Sr.

Thank you,

Representing (Optional)

2245 Forest Park Drive Anchorage AK 99517-1324

Address

279-8867

Phone Number

Senate Finance Committee

30 April 2003

Re: SB 117: Eliminating Longevity Bonus Program

Gentlemen:

I am opposed to the elimination or modification of the Alaskan Longevity Program at this time.

We are in a serious budget shortfall and at this time there are many attempts being made to increase taxes. Most noteworthy are the sin taxes, alcohol, gasoline, car registration and cigarettes which apply to me and all others in an equitable manner. Each pay as the sin applies.

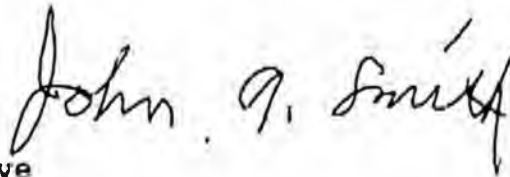
There is the ever present specter of State Sales tax / State Income tax which to me seems inevitable, for one or both. This applies to all in a fair and equitable manner.

As an Alaskan resident since 1954 and at 75 years of age I foresee this deluge of taxes before me and all others, I see the elimination of the Longevity Bonus as a direct assault on me personally since it does not apply equitably to all others.

The Longevity Bonus was rewarded by a Governor and Legislature to recognize productivity to the people who worked in the years 1955-1990 to build industry, commerce and infrastructure leading to the States prosperity in those years. This growth of pulp mills, pipeline and population was appreciated by some of us, including politicians.

If the Longevity Bonus is to be assailed then do it as a single issue during daylight hours and do not confront me with MORE taxes AND the loss of a \$6000 hedge against the rising cost of living and ...
MORE taxes.

John A. Smith
Eva J. Smith
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Sitka, Alaska 99835-1386
(907) 747-8190



PUBLIC TESTIMONY4-30-03TO: SENATE FINANCE
COMMITTEEErin Casey
an old voted
8480 Jewel Lake
Auch AK 99502
243 8530

PLEASE DO NOT REQUIRE VISITS TO
WELFARE OFFICE! I AM A HOUSEBOUND
CRIPPLED OLD LADY AND ^{MUST} KEEP ENOUGH
BORROWED MONEY (DEBT) IN CHECKING TO
 PAY SOMEONE TO MOVE ME IF LANDLORD
 SUCCEEDS IN THROWING ME OUT SO
 HE CAN RENOVATE & INCREASE RENT
 OVER 20% RAISE I ALREADY PAY FROM MY
 LOW INCOME. I'LL FILL OUT A FORM UNDER PERJURY

PLEASE ALLOW AT LEAST 200% OF
FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL INCOME
 SO I CAN KEEP FAIL-SAFE (DEBT) CASH
CUSHION ON HAND FOR EMERGENCIES
 AND DON'T FORCE ME INTO WELFARE
CASE LOAD I CANT GO TO ITS OFFICE

LEAVE ME WHAT DIGNITY AND INDEPENDENCE
 I STRUGGLE TO MAINTAIN AS I PAY
MEDICARE "B" AND MEDI-GAP MYSELF TO
 AVOID BEING AN OBJECT OF CHARITY



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DATE: 4-30-03

TO: Senate Finance

FAX: 465-2187

4 pages, including cover sheet

FROM: Sitka Constituents

MESSAGE:Re: Longevity Bonus hearing

Tarleton F. Smith
3407 Halibut Point Rd.
Sitka, AK 99835

April 30, 2003

To : Alaska State Senators.

Subject : Longevity Bonus.

Please permit the Longevity Bonus to continue until it self-terminates, as designed. Every month the cost of the L.B. is shrinking as ^{we} old-timers pass away.

I have lived in Alaska beginning 13 years before Statehood. The money I get from the L.B. stays in Alaska and helps the State's economy, as well as my own finances.

Yours sincerely,
Tarleton F. Smith

4-30-03

The Longevity Bonus

Please Leave the Longevity Bonus as it is. Attrition will phase it out with no harm to anyone.

Shame on the Governor for making designs on the "Widow's mite". He has an astronomical income and makes ten times more money than any senior.

The bonus was promised to help seniors stay in Alaska.

Doris Smith

T. and DORIS SMITH
3407 Hallbut Point Road
Sitka, Alaska 99835

Ms Anne M Gangle

Box L105 SITKA AK

I am a 73 year old resident
of Sitka for 40 years.

My monthly income is
\$1403.00 without the 150.00
longevity bonus.

I have glaucoma in one eye
and use drops daily which
cost almost \$150.00 a month
without the meds. I will lose
the sight in the eye.

I live on ~~an~~ Income Based
rental apt. - Cost \$493.00.

Heat is electric - too expensive
to use except during the coldest
days, never at night.
Food is expensive, even for one
person.

I buy all my clothes at
the used clothing store.

Life is not easy, being old
and wondering when I will
manage to keep my life rights
if I lose the bonus money.

Thank You A. Gangle

April 25, 2003

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To: Senate Finance Committee, Senators Green & Senator Wilken, CO-Chair
FAX: 465 2187

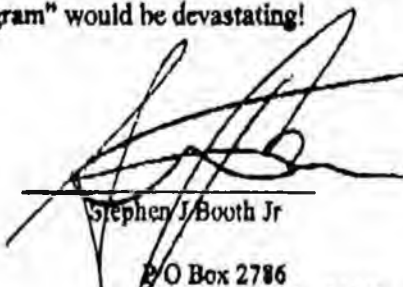
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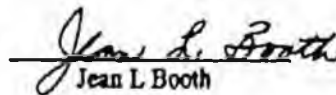
Gentlemen:

As previously communicated the Longevity Bonus represents a good 20 % (percent) of our total income! Please place yourselves in a similar situation and consider the consequence of your pending action.

We urge you to let the *Longevity Bonus Program* die by attrition as currently structured. Please do not end or alter the program and force some (perhaps many) seniors to involuntarily join the "Welfare" ranks. For emergencies we only have the "Equity" in our home and the loss of the "Longevity Bonus Program" would be devastating!

Sincerely,


Stephen J. Booth Jr


Jean L. Booth

P.O. Box 2786
Soldotna, Alaska 99669
907-262-4790
FAX: 907-262-2922

CC: Senator Tom Wagoner

TO: HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
STATE CAPITOL, JUNEAU, ALASKA

PLEASE DON'T PUT A SALES TAX ON RENT. IT ALREADY TAKES
HALF OF MY SMALL FIXED INCOME AND I AM YEARS DOWN ON ANY
WAITING LIST TO EVEN BE ELIGIBLE FOR SUBSIDIZED HOUSING.

PLEASE DON'T TAX THE MEDICAL SUPPLIES I USE TO STAY ALIVE,
NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS THAT CONTROL PAIN AND LOSS OF
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NO ON SB 117/HB 158
YES ON FUNDING LONGEVITY
LIMITS ON SALES TAX

FOR A SMALL % INCOME TAX
GRADUATED FOR FAIRNESS

E. M. CASEY, AN OLD VOTER

8480 Jewel Lake Rd
Anchorage, AK 99502
tel 243 8530

APRIL 26, 2003

4/29/03

Dear Senate Finance Committee.

I am sending a petition from our assisted living home in Anchorage.

The starred signatures are residents in the assisted living. The others are friends and family members.

There are many, very low income residents here. If the Longevity Bonus is taken the state, through what's has been called General Relief funds, would have to subsidize their residency. This doesn't make sense.

And please, SB 117 is no answer to this. Please keep the promise for now until we can truly study the impact of taking the LTB away. The poor elderly won't always come forward. We need time to speak with them and make sure we are not causing harm to those who are already poor.

Thank you,
Sue Samet

We the undersigned believe that ending the Longevity Bonus will cause many hardships for older Alaskans. We ask that the promise of the Longevity Bonus be kept to those who helped make this a great state. Don't end the Longevity Bonus.

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| * 1. <u>Zelma K. deSilva</u> | Providence Horizon Hou
4140 Folkier
Anchorage, AK
99508 |
| * 2. <u>Donald G. Blawie Sr.</u> | |
| * 3. <u>Leah M Eddy</u> | |
| * 4. <u>Celia M. yere</u> | |
| * 5. <u>Dorothy M. Alderman</u> | |
| 6. <u>Juleym Frost</u> | P.O. Box 201549
Anchorage, AK 99520 |
| 7. <u>Ann Davis</u> | Juleym Frost
Ed's Place |
| * 8. <u>Margaret L. Thomson</u> | |
| * 9. <u>Sue Milton</u> | |
| * 10. <u>Edna Johnson</u> | |

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- * 17. [Handwritten Name] ^{WEXFORD} [Handwritten Name]
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APRIL 26, 2003

Room 518
Dear Senator or Representative:

Wilken
SUBJECT: LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM

(1)

9450 Herbert Pl.
Juneau, Alaska 99801
789-7516

Please leave this program alone, it is working well. The State of Alaska made a PROMISE to the people who helped get us Statehood, built up Alaska in Territorial days and took pride in doing so. Fourth Avenue was the only paved road in Anchorage, the fishermen trappers and miners ran the Territory they loved. They were all hard working people. When they aged, they wanted to stay in Alaska. The Sitka Pioneer Home, the only one at the time, helped a lot. Others had to leave Alaska due to our high cost of living.

The PROMISE was the Longevity Bonus Program to help these Pioneers stay here. They were the people who had lived and worked here, even though it was hard at times. Governor Murkowski says we can use other available programs to offset the loss of the monthly check. NOT TRUE.

1. Medicare pays less and less. More medical no longer covered. Some needed blood tests not covered, hospital charges \$91.00 for this one alone.
2. Some doctors will not take new Medicare patients.
3. Costs of prescriptions are out of sight. Some people have to decide whether to eat or get needed medicine to help their condition.
4. Meals on Wheels cannot bring a meal to your home if you can drive a short distance or a family member can. Or if you walk your dog in your own yard. I can't get respite for even 2 hours a week for the same reason.
5. The Pioneer Homes have long waiting lists, lots of empty beds due to the lack of help. I also know some people are paying over \$4,000 a month there even though they are not bed ridden. I don't understand this charge. Suppose the Governor closes these Pioneer Homes? At \$4,000 per month, how much of your savings could be left to go elsewhere? I realize the "have nots" stay there, too, but how is the amount charged the "haves" decided? A percentage of the remaining balance in savings?

Ewer The Longevity Bonus check has been figured into all our budgets. Each month there are of us to receive these checks because we are a dying breed. I figure the youngest person receiving a check of \$100 per month was 72 years old this year. I was 74 on 12/23/2002, which makes me one of the last people to qualify for \$250.00 per month. I have been in Alaska 55 years. This means a lot of people who receive \$250 are older than I am, but may not have been in Alaska as long due to the program rule of residency was declared to be unconstitutional and opened it up to anyone of a certain age, no matter how recently they had come to Alaska. Lots of people we know brought up Mom & Pop to live here and get the \$250 a month, turned the garage into an apartment. This made the list of those getting checks go out of sight.

Three generations of our family born in Alaska, children, grandchildren and great children. We do own our home. I receive \$250, date of birth 12/23/28, my husband gets \$200 even though he's been here longer, dob 2/22/29, 2 months younger than me. Every penny we spend for anything is spent here. We contribute to local charities, and quietly help individuals needing it, taught remedial reading without salary, helped deaf 13 year old to speak and other personal help to make life better here. That's what the pioneer Alaskans always did, help each other because we cared and not for money.

We need this program to continue as it is, it's working well. As I said in the beginning, leave the program alone, we're dying off and the Governor is wrong, most of us don't qualify for the programs he thinks are there and we don't want charity. Also, if we lose this program I can think of other ways to save money, but then a lot of people wouldn't like it because it would be their money being given up.

I cannot believe the Governor and our Senators and Representative would even consider touching this program. At the same time the Tourist Industry, which is private industry, is again asking for a government FREE subsidy to offset its advertising costs. Tourists have always come to see our different, beautiful State. Let this private industry finally stand on its own. I would think the elderly are more important, remember, we live here.

Thank you for your time, Sincerely

Marilyn O'Brien

2.

My husband and I worked hard for Statehood, at our own expense, working with Delegate E. Bob Bartlett. My husband's letter to Congress regarding our Fisheries, was so impressive it became a part of the Congressional Record.

I'm sorry this is so long, but it is a very important to our age group and it seems as though the needy, the handicapped and the elderly are often targets of cutting costs of government down and more funds are asked for and given to businesses which should always stand on their own two feet. I consider this a form of welfare, meaning the business handouts, because it is their problem how they advertise. Saying they are bringing business to Alaska, they are doing this advertising for their business, Alaska itself does not need advertising. They choose to do big time advertising, fine, they can pay for it like the rest of us do. We pay for an ad in the newspapers. The State should not pay for anyone's advertising and these funds are not repaid to us, the people of Alaska. The industry is quick to say how much they do for Alaska, it looks to me like they want to be paid twice, one when they charge the customer and once when they ask the State for money for free.

Sorry if I sound cynical, these two subjects are related. One, the government wants to take away from people who can no longer work except for charitable organizations due to health and age restrictions and continue to give to private industry every single year. If they were a charity that would be different and would be considered however, maybe these people have over extended their business for the all mighty dollar and feel the State owes them something. Not true, as Harry S. Truman said, if you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen. Businesses come and go, I know this to be true, I feel very strongly about this, we should not subsidize tourist industry.

Marg Snapp
PO Box 6165
Sitka AK 99835

Senator Gary Wilken
Room 518
State Capitol
Juneau AK 99801-1182

MAY 24 2003

March 19, 2003

Dear Senator Wilken,

I'm writing to express my concern on the proposed cutting of the Longevity Bonus from the proposed budget.

I work in Social Services/Public Assistance for the State of Alaska. I can tell you with authority that often the Longevity Bonus is all that keeps many of our elders from going on Public Assistance - that's "Welfare".

Our elders are dying off each year - the Longevity Bonus budget should be getting smaller each year. The recipients of the Bonus that I encounter are spending their bonus on health and medical issues - prescriptions, insurance, etc. They are close to, but not yet at, the poverty level. The goal is to lower the Welfare roles - this budget cut could easily increase the roles.

I ask to you to oppose this budget cut.

Thank you for representing Alaskans,


Marg. Snapp, Voter

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COMMITTEE: (S)STA

It should not be a surprise
that seniors need and use their
resources. They understand how
things, but targeting this group
for cuts is not only a hardship
but also an insult.

These seniors help support their
community by living here,
supporting merchants and neighbors.
They are also the greatest volunteers
in the community and are
more than willing to work for
the betterment of all.

We urge you to rethink this
action which is strongly opposed.



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I Am opposed to doing Away
with The longjevety SB117

I Am a life long Resident of Alaska
A WWII Vet.

I Paid State income tax.
I Cant Rember being upset paying
State tax. It was simple to pay. I
Even mad out my own federal & State tax
papers.

Why dont you want to not have
a State tax?

Even a state school tax of 100⁰⁰
7 year. This would include Seasonial
workers. They work here in The Summer
& take all their wages & leave.
we Seiner & who Recive the longjevety
Spend our Benifits Here & Alaska

Ernest Smeltzer

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KETCHIKAN AK 9990
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 EMAIL: _____

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 COMMITTEE: (S)STA

I AM OPPOSED TO LONGEVITY BONUS
PROGRAM LOSS. I AM 73³ YEAR-ARRIVING
IN KETCHIKAN IN 1936 & BEING EVACUATED FROM
ALASKA NOV 1942. I NOW WONDER
IF THIS IS THE START OF LONGEVITY
PEOPLE LEAVING ALASKA WITH LOSS OF
THESE FUNDS. IF THIS HAPPENS
THE PERMANENT FUNDS WILL NO DOUBT
BE REMOVED. WE DO NEED THIS MONEY @200
FOR LOCAL EXPENSES. I HAVE 2
GRAND CHILDREN IN KETCHIKAN & WANT TO
REMAIN IN KETCHIKAN.

T HANKS
Guy H Townsend

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NAME: Don Macmillan, age 72
 ADDRESS: 615 MAIN ST.
KETCHIKAN AK

PHONE: 907 225 4348
 EMAIL: _____

BILL# or SUBJECT: SB 117
 COMMITTEE: (S) STA

I am ~~the~~ 3rd generation Alaskan.
Grandparents arrived in AK 1898.
To live here, the expenses are
tremendous.

Don't Pass SB 117.

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LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION OFFICE

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N/ME: Shirley Carlin
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Ketchikan, Alaska
99901
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BILL# or SUBJECT: SB 117
 COMMITTEE: (S) STA

I strongly oppose taking
 the Longevity (or Permanent Fund
 away from us seniors.
 We came here in 1950 and
 decided when we 65 & 70 we were
 going to stay here. Part of that we
 lived were getting longevity & Perm
 funds. I get no retirement except
 the so called. This we felt we could
 afford to live here.
