

SB

277

ALASKA COMMISSION ON POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION
SECTIONAL ANALYSIS
SB 277/HB 404 (1/28/04)

BILL SECTION	AK STATUTE SECTION TITLE	PAGE	LINE	PURPOSE OF SECTION	TYPE OF CHANGE
1	ACPE authorized functions. 14.42.030(e)	1-3	7-1	Adds authority to establish and enforce collection orders on defaulted loans and provide for borrower appeals of collection orders.	Amended Language
2	Education loan fund. 14.42.210(a)	3	2-9	Conforming change to add revised grant program.	Amended Language
3	14.42.210(b)	3	10-19	Conforming change; by reference, specifically authorizes grant program funding.	Amended Language
4	Bonds of the corporation. 14.43.220(a)	4	20-31	Expand the use of bond proceeds to pay costs of state projects.	Amended Language
5	Conditions of loans. 14.43.120(u)	4	1-11	Makes determination of an origination fee a corporation function and automatically places fees into the education loan fund of the corporation.	Amended Language
6	Consolidation of loans. 14.43.122(a)	4	12-20	Increases flexibility for offering loan consolidation options.	Amended Language
7	Default. 14.43.145 (a)	4-5	21-5	Provides authority to establish a collection order as a means of recovering on defaulted loans.	Amended Language
8	Authority and procedure to administratively establish and enforce a collection order. 14.43.151	5	6-14	Describes administrative process for establishing a lien through a collection order.	New Language
	Initiation of administrative action to establish a collection order; required notice. 14.43.152	5-6	15-9	Steps for establishing collection order; notice to borrower.	
	Hearings in administrative action to establish a collection order; burden of proof. 14.43.153	6-7	10-2	Provides due process for borrower to contest establishment of collection order through administrative hearing.	

BILL SECTION	AK STATUTE SECTION TITLE	PAGE	LINE	PURPOSE OF SECTION	TYPE OF CHANGE
	Collection order as judgments. Sec. 14.43.154	7	3-7	Provides that collection order is equivalent to judgment.	New Language.
	Nature of remedies. 14.43.155	7	8-9	Provides that collection order is an alternate remedy to commission.	New Language
9	Purpose; creation. 14.43.161	7	10-15	Conforming change of trademark name.	Amended Language.
10	Repayment of loans. 14.43.166	7	16-25	Requires immediate repayment of consolidation loans.	Amended Language.
11	Default. 14.43.168(b)	7	26-28	Conforming change to incorporate new administrative collection order authority.	Amended Language
12	Creation, purpose. 14.43.170	7	29-7	Conforming change of trademark name.	Amended Language
13	Applicability of other laws. 14.43.171	8	8-13	Changes applicable cite to allow for consolidation of supplemental education loans.	Amended Language
14	Eligibility. 14.43.172(c)	8-9	14-5	Revised so borrower that has fully repaid a defaulted loan may be eligible for new loan without a cosigner.	Amended Language
15	Eligibility. 14.43.172(d)	9	6-11		
16	Purpose: creation. 14.43.400	9	12-20	Revised to rename and describe grant program.	Amended Language
17	Administration. 14.43.405(a)	9	21-24	Conforming change of name of grant program to be administered as provided in 14.42.030.	Amended Language
18	Applicability of other laws. 14.43.406	9-10	25-2	Conforms by incorporating reference to other aid programs, grant program residency requirement, confidentiality of financial need information, repayment for an ineligible recipient, and definitions.	New Language
19	Distribution of funds. 14.43.410	10	3-8	Conforming change of name of grant program.	Amended Language
20	4.43.410(b)	10	9-13	Revised to permit grants for half-time study.	New Language

BILL SECTION	AK STATUTE SECTION TITLE	PAGE	LINE	PURPOSE OF SECTION	TYPE OF CHANGE
21	Eligibility; priority. 14.43.415	10-11	14-6	Revised to require in-state attendance. Requires prioritization of eligible programs of study based on state workforce needs.	Amended Language
22	Limitation on grants. 14.43.420(a)	11	7-10	Revises minimum and maximum grant amounts.	Amended Language
23	14.43.420(c)	11	11-13	Sets maximum grant dollars per recipient.	New Language
24	Definitions. 14.43.500	11	14-28	Provides definitions of occupational fields for which a "shortage priority" may be given.	Amended Language
25	Loan terms and conditions. 14.43.740(a)	11-12	29-2	Removes student-specific loan maximum; permits loan consolidation and administrative collection from liens.	Amended Language
26	14.43.740(g)	12	3-5	Permits commission to set loan limits by regulation.	New Language
27	Definition. 14.43.990	12	6-12	Provide definition for AlaskAdvantage, the agency's service mark registered under the Trademark Act.	New Language.
28	Repayment condition for program participants. 14.44.040(c)	12	13-16	Conforming change to include new authority for collection order for defaulted WICHE PSEP loans.	Amended Language
29	Application of this chapter. General Provisions to state procurement code. 36.30.850(b)	12	17-21	Excludes contracts for electronic services entered into by the Commission and Corporation for financial aid administration.	Amended Language

BILL SECTION	AK STATUTE SECTION TITLE	PAGE	LINE	PURPOSE OF SECTION	TYPE OF CHANGE
30	Repealer section.	12	22-23	<p>Repeal AS 14.42.110. Purpose of corporation.</p> <p>Repeal AS 14.42.220(i), limits aggregate amount of bonds that can be issued in two consecutive years other than through legislation.</p> <p>Repeal 14.43.122(b). Limits consolidated loan interest rate to be weighted average of the interest rates on loans being consolidated.</p> <p>Repeal AS 14.43.145(b). Notification of default and consequences to borrower. Replaced in Sec. 8</p> <p>Repeal 14.43.145(c). Appeal process for borrower of notice of default. Replaced in Sec. 8</p> <p>Repeal 14.43.300(g). ACPE authority to set loan origination fee on memorial education loans. Duplicate language of 14.43.120(u) incorporated by reference.</p> <p>Repeal 14.43.405(b). Student aid provisions applicable to the grant program. Replaced in Sec. 18.</p> <p>Repeal 14.43.420(b). Allows grant to be used at accredited postsecondary educational institution, already stated in eligibility section 14.43.415. See Sec. 20.</p> <p>Repeal 14.43.500(1) Defines resident. Replaced in Sec. 18 by incorporating residency requirement of 14.43.162.</p> <p>Repeal 14.43.500(2) Defines undergraduate. Term not used in remaining text.</p>	Amending Language.
31	Transition language.	12	24-29	Authorization to promulgate regulations.	
32	Instructions to Revisor	12-13	30-6	Conforming changes to titles in Articles 5 and 8.	

BILL SECTION	AK STATUTE SECTION TITLE	PAGE	LINE	PURPOSE OF SECTION	TYPE OF CHANGE
33	Instructions to Regulations Attorney	13	7-13	Instructions to make conforming changes to insert "AlaskAdvantage" in regulations.	
34	Effective date section.	13	14	Providing for Sec. 5 to be effective January 1, 2005.	
35	Effective date section.	13	15-16	Providing for, except as stated in Sec. 34, this Act to have an immediate effective date.	

STATE OF ALASKA

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January 26, 2004

VIA FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

The Honorable Fred Dyson, Chair
Health, Education, and Social Services Committee
Alaska State Senate
State Capitol, Room 121
Juneau, Alaska 99801

JAN 27 2004

Dear Senator Dyson:

I am writing to formally request that Senate Bill 277, an act relating to the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education and the Alaska Student Loan Corporation, be scheduled for a hearing in your Committee.

SB277's objectives are to:

1. Broaden the scope of the Corporation's bonding authority;
2. Reconstitute the State student grant program to better focus on Alaska's workforce needs;
3. Provide the Commission with greater flexibility in offering loan consolidation options to borrowers;
4. Clarify the Commission's ability to administratively issue liens in the collection of defaulted education loans; and
5. Provide certain exemption from the State Procurement Code for services related to guaranteeing and disbursing education loans.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request. I am, of course, available to meet with you to discuss this in advance, or, alternatively, I have prepared a sectional analysis if that would be helpful.

Sincerely,



Diane Barrans
Executive Director

DB/dm



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January 22, 2004

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 article III, section 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the Alaska Commission on Post-secondary Education (ACPE) and the Alaska Student Loan Corporation (ASLC). This bill is a result of ASLC board members and management, in consultation with financial advisors, proposing a mechanism where (1) the state could optimize the use of its financial assets and deliver a greater return to Alaskans for its initial investment in ASLC and ACPE; and (2) continue to effectively administer ACPE/ASLC financial aid programs.

The bill would allow ASLC to issue bonds utilizing future cash flow that is in excess of that needed for effective and efficient operation of corporation programs. ASLC predicts it can return \$260 million to the state over a three-year period beginning in 2004; the proceeds from which would be available to finance capital projects.

The ASLC's primary mission is to support, promote, and provide access to postsecondary education for Alaskans. The objective of this legislation is to continue to serve that mission, but to do so in a way that permits ASLC to serve broader state interests through the efficient allocation of financial resources. As part of the development process, cash flow models were developed to ensure the corporation has and will continue to have the financial capacity to discount loan interest rates and deliver outstanding borrower benefits to its primary customers -- Alaska students and their families.

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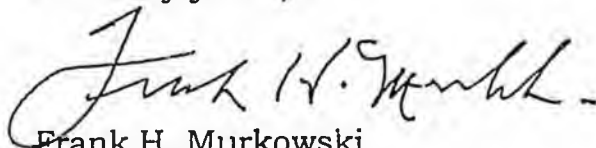
The Honorable Gene Therriault
January 22, 2004
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I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Frank H. Murkowski".

Frank H. Murkowski
Governor

Enclosure

Governor's transmittal letter dated January 22:

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Frank H. Murkowski
Governor

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2004 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 3
Bill Version: SB 277
(S) Publish Date: 1/23/04

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: Education
Title An Act relating to ACPE; relating to ASLC; relating RDU ACPE
to bonds of the corporation; relating to loan and grant programs... Component Program Administration & Operations
Sponsor Rules Committee
Requester Governor Component No. 2738

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims	120.0	120.0	120.0	120.0	120.0	120.0
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	120.0	120.0	120.0	120.0	120.0	120.0

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

FUND SOURCE	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
1002 Federal Receipts	120.0	120.0	120.0	120.0	120.0	120.0
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	120.0	120.0	120.0	120.0	120.0	120.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2004) cost: 0.0
Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2005 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

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Division Finance Date/Time 12/12/03 10:28 AM
Approved by: Diane Barrans, Executive Director *Diane Barrans* Date 12/12/2003
Agency Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education

STATE OF ALASKA
2004 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. SB 277

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2004 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 2
Bill Version: SB 277
(S) Publish Date: 1/23/04

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: DCED
Title ASLC Return Funds to State RDU Investments (122)
Component Investments
Sponsor Rules
Requester By Request of the Governor Component No. 383

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

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1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
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Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2004) cost: 0.0
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POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

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

This legislation has no fiscal impact on the operations of the division.

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Division Investments Date/Time 12/12/03 4:22 PM
Approved by: Edgar Blatchford, Commissioner Date 12/12/2003
Agency Department of Community & Economic Development

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2004 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 1
Bill Version: SB 277
(S) Publish Date: 1/23/2004

Revision Date/Time (corrected): 12/12/03 12:42pm Dept. Affected: Administration
Title: An act relating to the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary RDU: Centralized Administrative Services
Education: relating to an exemption from the State Procurement Code... Component: Purchasing
Sponsor: Rules
Requester: Governor Component No.: 60

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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Personal Services						
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TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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Estimate of any current year (FY2004) cost: 0.0

Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2005 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

POSITIONS	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Full-time						
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Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

The bill would exempt Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education contracts for guaranteeing and disbursing financial aid money to institutions of postsecondary education from the State Procurement Code (AS 36.30).

Bill has no fiscal impact.

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Agency: Administration

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Date/Time: 12/15/03 10:00 AM
Date: 12/15/2003

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2004 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

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 () Publish Date: _____

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: Education
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CHANGE IN REVENUES (bond proceeds)	75,000.0	*	*			
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Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
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Estimate of any current year (FY2004) cost: 0.0

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POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This bill would allow the Alaska Student Loan Corporation (ASLC) to issue bonds and use the proceeds for purposes other than the sole funding of financial aid programs currently authorized in law. This creates a mechanism for the ASLC to return money, not otherwise required to fund core agency programs, to the state through financing of state capital projects. As of this date, the ASLC anticipates utilizing this mechanism to return approximately \$260.0 million to the state over a three-year period beginning in FY2004. *Amounts for FY06 and FY07 will be determined next year.

This bill also would create an administrative collection order to be used for establishing a lien on property belonging to a borrower who has defaulted on an education loan.

This bill also amends the state's needs-based grant program so that grants may only be awarded to

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 Approved by: Diane Barrans, Executive Director Date 1/30/2004
 Agency Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education

FISCAL NOTE

**STATE OF ALASKA
2004 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

BILL NO. SB277-EED-ACPE-1-30-04

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2004 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
 Bill Version: **SB277-DOLWD-WIB-1-27-04**
 () Publish Date: _____

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____
 Title: **Student Loan Programs**

Department: **Labor and Workforce Development**
 RDU: **Business Partnerships**
 Component: **Workforce Investment Board**

Sponsor: **Rules Committee**
 Requester: **Governor**

Component Number: **2659**

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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Estimate of any current year (FY2004) cost: None

Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2005 budget proposal:

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Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the department as a result of this legislation.

Prepared by: Katherine Farnham, Director
 Division: Business Partnerships Division
 Approved by: Greg O'Claray, Commissioner
 Agency: Department of Labor and Workforce Development

Phone: 269-7490
 Date/Time: 1/27/04 8:47 AM
 Date: 1/27/2004

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 277()

**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND 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 Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education; relating to the**
2 **Alaska Student Loan Corporation; relating to bonds of the corporation; relating to loan**
3 **and grant programs of the commission; relating to an exemption from the State**
4 **Procurement Code regarding certain contracts of the commission or corporation;**
5 **making conforming changes; and providing for an effective date."**

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

7 *** Section 1. AS 14.42.030(e) is amended to read:**

8 (e) The commission may

9 (1) adopt regulations under AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure Act)

10 to

11 (A) carry out the purposes of

12 (i) AS 14.43.091 - 14.43.750, 14.43.990, AS 14.44, and

13 AS 14.48; and

1 (ii) AS 14.43.910 and 14.43.920 as they relate to the
2 purposes of AS 14.43.091 - 14.43.750, 14.43.990, AS 14.44, and
3 AS 14.48; [AND]

4 (B) ensure compliance with the requirements imposed by state
5 and federal statutes and regulations governing the guaranty, insurance,
6 purchase, or other dealings in eligible loans by federal agencies,
7 instrumentalities, or corporations; and

8 (C) establish standards for the

9 (i) administration of hearings conducted under
10 AS 14.43.153; and

11 (ii) administrative enforcement of collection orders
12 under AS 14.43.151 - 14.43.155;

13 (2) delegate to the executive director of the commission or a
14 subcommittee of the commission any duty imposed on or power granted to the
15 commission by this chapter, AS 14.43, AS 14.44, or AS 14.48, except its power to
16 adopt regulations and its duty to consider appeals under AS 14.43.100(b) and
17 AS 14.48.120;

18 (3) establish task forces, committees, or subcommittees, not
19 necessarily consisting of commission members, to advise and assist the commission in
20 carrying out its functions;

21 (4) contract with or use existing institutions of postsecondary
22 education or other individuals or organizations to make studies, conduct surveys,
23 submit recommendations, or otherwise contribute to the work of the commission;

24 (5) establish fees for the review of an out-of-state institution that

25 (A) requests approval for participation in the programs under
26 AS 14.43.091 - 14.43.750, 14.43.990, and AS 14.44; and

27 (B) is not accredited by a national or regional accreditation
28 association recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation; and

29 (6) collect all fees and costs incurred in collection of the amount owed
30 on a loan or repayment obligation if the loan or repayment obligation becomes
31 delinquent or in default; in this paragraph, fees and costs include attorney fees, court

1 costs, and collection fees charged by a collection agency.

2 * Sec. 2. AS 14.42.210(a) is amended to read:

3 (a) The education loan fund is established in the corporation. The education
4 loan fund is a trust fund to be used to carry out the purposes of AS 14.42.100 -
5 14.42.990, AS 14.43.091 - 14.43.175, 14.43.400 - 14.43.500, 14.43.600 - 14.43.700,
6 14.43.710 - 14.43.750, 14.43.990, and AS 14.44.025. The fund consists of money or
7 assets appropriated or transferred to the corporation for the fund and money or assets
8 deposited in it by the corporation. The corporation may establish separate accounts in
9 the fund.

10 * Sec. 3. AS 14.42.210(b) is amended to read:

11 (b) Money and other assets of the education loan fund may be used to

- 12 (1) secure bonds of the corporation;
- 13 (2) pay the costs of administration of the fund;
- 14 (3) invest in education loans and investments under AS 37.10.071;
- 15 (4) finance programs approved under AS 14.43.091 - 14.43.175,
16 14.43.400 - 14.43.500, 14.43.600 - 14.43.700, 14.43.710 - 14.43.750, or
17 AS 14.44.040; and
- 18 (5) pay the costs of administering and collecting the loans and
19 repayment obligations under the financial aid programs listed in (4) of this subsection.

20 * Sec. 4. AS 14.42.220(a) is amended to read:

21 (a) The [SUBJECT TO (f) OF THIS SECTION, THE] corporation may
22 borrow money and may issue bonds, on which the principal and interest are payable
23 from its income and receipts or other assets or a designated part or parts of them. The
24 corporation may use the proceeds of its bonds for any purposes that the
25 corporation considers appropriate, including providing money to

- 26 (1) make or purchase education loans;
- 27 (2) finance programs identified in AS 14.42.210;
- 28 (3) finance projects of the state as those projects may be identified
29 by law; and
- 30 (4) pay for any other purpose or program of the corporation that
31 is authorized in AS 14.42.100 - 14.42.310.

1 * **Sec. 5.** AS 14.42.220 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

2 (g) The corporation may not issue bonds to finance projects under (a)(3) of
3 this section in an aggregate amount that exceeds \$280,000,000.

4 * **Sec. 6.** AS 14.43.120(u) is amended to read:

5 (u) The corporation [COMMISSION] by regulation shall set a loan
6 origination fee, not to exceed five percent of the total education loan amount, to be
7 assessed upon an education loan that is funded from the education loan fund of the
8 corporation [ALASKA STUDENT LOAN CORPORATION]. The loan origination
9 fee shall be deducted by the commission at the time the loan is disbursed. The
10 [SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION, THE] loan origination fees shall be deposited into
11 an origination fee account within the education loan fund of the corporation
12 [ALASKA STUDENT LOAN CORPORATION], and subsequently used by the
13 corporation to offset losses incurred as a result of death, disability, default, or
14 bankruptcy of the borrower.

15 * **Sec. 7.** AS 14.43.122(a) is amended to read:

16 (a) The commission may offer

17 (1) a borrower who has received more than one education loan
18 [UNDER AS 14.43.091 - 14.43.160] the option of consolidating the multiple loans
19 into a single loan; or

20 (2) to consolidate education loans made [UNDER AS 14.43.091 -
21 14.43.160] to married borrowers if the married borrowers agree to be jointly and
22 severally liable for repayment of the consolidated loan, regardless of the borrowers'
23 future marital status or the death of one of the borrowers.

24 * **Sec. 8.** AS 14.43.145(a) is amended to read:

25 (a) For the purposes of this chapter, a loan is in default after a loan payment
26 has become 180 or more days past due or, for a loan under AS 14.43.161 - 14.43.168
27 or 14.43.170 - 14.43.175, the default requirements established by the commission have
28 been met. Upon default,

29 (1) repayment of the remaining balance is accelerated and due;

30 (2) the commission may take the borrower's permanent fund dividend
31 under AS 43.23.067;

1 (3) the commission may issue an order to withhold and deliver under
2 AS 14.43.147;

3 (4) the commission may provide notice of the default to a licensing
4 entity for nonrenewal of the license under AS 14.43.148; [AND]

5 (5) the commission may record the lien created under AS 14.43.149;
6 and

7 (6) the commission may establish an administrative collection
8 order under AS 14.43.151 - 14.43.155.

9 * Sec. 9. AS 14.43 is amended by adding new sections to read:

10 **Sec. 14.43.151. Authority and procedure to administratively establish and**
11 **enforce a collection order.** If a judgment in favor of the commission has not been
12 entered by the court regarding a defaulted loan awarded under this chapter, the
13 commission may establish a duty to repay the defaulted loan through a collection order
14 using the procedures prescribed in AS 14.43.152 - 14.43.155 and may enforce the
15 collection order using the procedure prescribed in AS 14.43.149. Action under this
16 section may be undertaken at the commission's discretion if the borrower is in default
17 under AS 14.43.145.

18 **Sec. 14.43.152. Initiation of administrative action to establish a collection**
19 **order; required notice.** (a) An action to establish a collection order authorized under
20 AS 14.43.151 is initiated by the commission's serving on the borrower a notice of
21 establishment of collection order. The notice shall be served by mailing the notice to
22 the borrower at

23 (1) the borrower's most recent address provided to the commission by
24 the borrower; or

25 (2) another address known to the commission.

26 (b) The notice served under (a) of this section must state

27 (1) the amount of the liability for default under AS 14.43.145 for
28 which the borrower is found to be responsible; the amount stated under this paragraph
29 shall include all principal, interest, and collection fees;

30 (2) that a lien may be recorded against the borrower's property as
31 authorized under AS 14.43.145(a)(5);

1 (3) that the borrower may appear at a hearing held by the commission
2 and show cause that a collection order should not be entered because, at the time of the
3 notice,

4 (A) no loan payment was more than 180 days past due or, for a
5 loan under AS 14.43.161 - 14.43.168 or 14.43.170 - 14.43.175, the default
6 requirements established by the commission had not yet been met; or

7 (B) the borrower had entered into, or was in compliance with,
8 an agreement to forbear default with the commission; and

9 (4) that, if the borrower served with the notice does not request a
10 hearing within 30 days after the date of mailing of the notice, a collection order will be
11 entered and the property of the borrower will be subject to a lien under AS 14.43.149
12 in the amount stated in the collection order without further notice or hearing.

13 **Sec. 14.43.153. Hearings in administrative action to establish a collection**
14 **order; burden of proof.** (a) A borrower served with a notice of establishment of
15 collection order under AS 14.43.152 is entitled to a hearing before the commission if
16 the request for a hearing is served on the commission by registered mail, return receipt
17 requested, within 30 days after the date the notice is mailed to the borrower.

18 (b) If a request for a hearing in accordance with (a) of this section is made, the
19 issuance of a collection order is automatically stayed pending the decision of the
20 hearing officer for the commission. If a request for a hearing is not made, the
21 collection order is final at the expiration of the 30-day period specified in (a) of this
22 section.

23 (c) A borrower claiming that the notice is incorrect has the burden at hearing
24 to document the existence of one of the conditions described in AS 14.43.152(b)(3)(A)
25 and (B).

26 (d) Within 60 days after the date of the hearing, the hearing officer shall enter
27 a decision determining whether default has occurred and, if default has occurred,
28 specifying the amount of the collection order and declaring that the property of the
29 borrower is subject to a lien under AS 14.43.149 in the amount of the collection order.

30 (e) If the borrower who requested the hearing fails to appear at the hearing, the
31 hearing officer shall enter a decision

- 1 (1) confirming that a default has occurred;
2 (2) confirming the amount of the collection order;
3 (3) declaring that the property of the borrower is subject to a lien under
4 AS 14.43.149 in the amount stated under (2) of this subsection.

5 (f) The decision of the hearing officer is a final decision that may be appealed
6 to the superior court under the Alaska Rules of Appellate Procedure.

7 **Sec. 14.43.154. Collection orders as judgments.** A collection order is
8 equivalent to a judgment for purposes of AS 14.43.149 and becomes vested

9 (1) at the expiration of the 30-day period described in AS 14.43.153(b)
10 if a hearing is not requested; or

11 (2) on the date the hearing officer enters a decision in favor of the
12 commission if a hearing was requested by the borrower.

13 **Sec. 14.43.155. Nature of remedies.** AS 14.43.154 provides a remedy in
14 addition to and not as a substitute for any other remedies available to the commission.

15 * **Sec. 10.** AS 14.43.161 is amended to read:

16 **Sec. 14.43.161. Purpose; creation.** There is established the AlaskAdvantage
17 [ALASKA ADVANTAGE] loan program to provide postsecondary educational
18 financial assistance through the federal guaranteed student loan program. The
19 AlaskAdvantage [ALASKA ADVANTAGE] loan program is the primary source for
20 financial aid to eligible borrowers under this chapter.

21 * **Sec. 11.** AS 14.43.166 is amended to read:

22 **Sec. 14.43.166. Repayment of loans.** A borrower's obligation to commence
23 repayment of the principal and interest on a loan under AS 14.43.161 - 14.43.166 and
24 14.43.168 [AS 14.43.161 - 14.43.168] begins six months after the borrower's
25 completion or other termination of the postsecondary education program. The
26 commission may accelerate the repayment of any loan made in error or in reliance
27 upon a false statement made by the borrower. The commission shall determine the
28 period over which loans are repaid; however, the maximum period of repayment of
29 loans may not exceed the maximum period permitted under applicable provisions of
30 the federal guaranteed student loan program.

31 * **Sec. 12.** AS 14.43.168(b) is amended to read:

1 (b) The provisions of AS 14.43.145 - 14.43.155 [AS 14.43.145 - 14.43.150]
2 apply to loans under AS 14.43.161 - 14.43.168 that are in default.

3 * **Sec. 13.** AS 14.43.170 is amended to read:

4 **Sec. 14.43.170. Creation; purpose.** There is created the Alaska supplemental
5 education loan program to provide postsecondary educational supplemental financial
6 assistance. Supplemental financial assistance is available only if the financial aid
7 available through the AlaskAdvantage [ALASKA ADVANTAGE] loan program is
8 insufficient to cover the costs of attendance at a postsecondary institution or if the
9 borrower does not qualify for financial aid under the federal guaranteed student loan
10 program. The commission shall make the public aware of the Alaska supplemental
11 education loan program to facilitate providing loans to as many eligible borrowers as
12 possible.

13 * **Sec. 14.** AS 14.43.171 is amended to read:

14 **Sec. 14.43.171. Applicability of other laws.** The provisions of
15 AS 14.43.120(d)(4), 14.43.122, 14.43.135, 14.43.140, 14.43.145 - 14.43.160,
16 14.43.164, 14.43.166, and 14.43.168 [AND 14.43.166 - 14.43.168] apply to the loans
17 made under AS 14.43.170 - 14.43.175 as if the loans were made under those
18 applicable provisions.

19 * **Sec. 15.** AS 14.43.172(c) is amended to read:

20 (c) In addition to the provisions of (a) of this section, a borrower is eligible for
21 a loan under AS 14.43.170 - 14.43.175 if the borrower

22 (1) is not delinquent in payment [ON AND HAS NEVER BEEN IN
23 DEFAULT] on a loan previously awarded by the commission;

24 (2) at the time of application or loan disbursement, does not have a
25 past due child support obligation established by court order or by the child support
26 enforcement division under AS 25.27.160 - 25.27.220;

27 (3) has not, within the previous five years, had a loan discharged or
28 written off by the commission for any reason;

29 (4) does not have a status, at the time of application for a loan or
30 disbursement of loan money, that would prevent the borrower from repaying the loan
31 as it becomes due;

1 (5) has not, within the previous five years, defaulted on another loan
2 made to the borrower by a lending entity unless the borrower can show good faith
3 efforts to repay the loan and extraordinary circumstances that led to the default;
4 [AND]

5 (6) does not have a credit history, at the time of application for a loan,
6 that demonstrates chronic inability or unwillingness to pay an extension of credit or
7 loan as it becomes due; and [.]

8 (7) has [AS] complied with the military selective service registration
9 requirements imposed under 50 U.S.C. App. 453 (Military Selective Service Act), if
10 those requirements were applicable to the person.

11 * Sec. 16. AS 14.43.172(d) is amended to read:

12 (d) The commission may not make a loan to a borrower who has been in
13 default on a loan previously awarded by the commission unless [IF

14 (1)] the previously awarded loan has been paid in full [; AND

15 (2) ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL WHO SATISFIES THE
16 REQUIREMENTS OF (c) OF THIS SECTION COSIGNS THE LOAN].

17 * Sec. 17. AS 14.43.300(a) is amended to read:

18 (a) An education loan to a recipient under AS 14.43.250(b)(1) - (4) or (6) may
19 not exceed \$2,500 a school year for an undergraduate student or \$5,000 a school year
20 for a graduate student [, EXCLUSIVE OF LOAN GUARANTEE FEES UNDER (g)
21 OF THIS SECTION,] and may not be made to a student for more than six years. An
22 education loan to a recipient under AS 14.43.250(b)(5) may not exceed the cost of
23 tuition and required fees, [LOAN GUARANTEE FEES UNDER (g) OF THIS
24 SECTION,] books and educational supplies, room and board, and transportation for
25 two round trips between the recipient's home and school each year. A loan under
26 AS 14.43.250(b)(5) may not be made for more than five years of undergraduate study,
27 five years of graduate study, or a combined maximum of eight years of study.

28 * Sec. 18. AS 14.43.400 is amended to read:

29 **Sec. 14.43.400. Purpose; creation.** There is created [ESTABLISHED] the
30 Alaska Advantage ed^uation [ALASKA STATE EDUCATIONAL INCENTIVE]
31 grant program to provide financial assistance to eligible students to enable them to

1 attend, or continue their attendance at, postsecondary educational institutions. Funds
2 designated by the corporation or appropriated for this program may [SHALL] be
3 used as matching funds for the state's participation in the federal [STATE STUDENT
4 INCENTIVE] grant program under 20 U.S.C. 1070c - 1070c-4 [(P.L. 92-318: 20
5 U.S.C. 1070C - 1070C-3)].

6 * Sec. 19. AS 14.43.405(a) is repealed and reenacted to read:

7 (a) The AlaskAdvantage education grant program created under AS 14.43.400
8 - 14.43.500 shall be administered by the executive director of the commission.

9 * Sec. 20. AS 14.43 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 **Sec. 14.43.406. Applicability of other laws.** (a) To the extent they are not in
11 conflict with the provisions of AS 14.43.400 - 14.43.500, the provisions of
12 AS 14.43.162(b), 14.43.910, and 14.43.920 apply to a grant made under AS 14.43.400
13 - 14.43.500.

14 (b) In determining a student's eligibility for a grant under AS 14.43.400 -
15 14.43.500, the executive director of the commission shall apply the standards
16 contained in the definitions of "full-time student," "half-time student," and "school
17 year" in AS 14.43.160 as if those provisions were applicable to application for the
18 grant.

19 * Sec. 21. AS 14.43.410 is amended to read:

20 **Sec. 14.43.410. Distribution of funds.** The funds [APPROPRIATED] for the
21 AlaskAdvantage education [EDUCATIONAL INCENTIVE] grant program may
22 [SHALL] be allocated to eligible students in accordance with the provisions of the
23 federal [STATE STUDENT INCENTIVE] grant program under 20 U.S.C. 1070c -
24 1070c-4 and regulations adopted under AS 14.43.105 and 14.43.405.

25 * Sec. 22. AS 14.43.410 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

26 (b) The commission may set aside a portion of grant awards for otherwise
27 eligible applicants whose employment prevents them from attending school on a full-
28 time basis. The commission shall adopt regulations to carry out the purposes of this
29 subsection.

30 * Sec. 23. AS 14.43.415 is repealed and reenacted to read:

31 **Sec. 14.43.415. Eligibility; priority.** (a) For an applicant to be eligible for a

1 grant under AS 14.43.400 - 14.43.500, the applicant must be

2 (1) a resident of this state;

3 (2) enrolled or about to be enrolled

4 (A) at an institution approved to participate in federal financial
5 aid programs under 20 U.S.C. 1070 - 1099c-2, as amended, located in this
6 state; and

7 (B) on at least a half-time basis; and

8 (3) able to demonstrate financial need in accordance with standards for
9 determining financial need established by the commission under 20 U.S.C. 1070c-2, as
10 amended.

11 (b) The commission shall give an applicant eligible under (a) of this section
12 priority for a grant award if that applicant is, or is about to be, enrolled in a program of
13 study that is preparatory for employment in an occupation or profession for which the
14 Department of Labor and Workforce Development, or another workforce data source
15 selected as reliable by the commission, indicates there is a severe shortage of trained
16 individuals in this state. Additionally, the commission may give an applicant priority
17 for a grant award if that applicant has participated in a secondary education program
18 of study that can be demonstrated to the commission to be a predictor for success at
19 the postsecondary education level for a program of study described in this subsection.
20 For purposes of this subsection,

21 (1) "occupation or profession" means a job for which specific
22 postsecondary certification is a prerequisite for entry-level placement;

23 (2) "severe shortage" means a current or recurring job vacancy rate of
24 15 percent or greater, as determined by the Department of Labor and Workforce
25 Development or by another workforce data source determined reliable by the
26 commission.

27 (c) The commission shall adopt regulations to establish a prioritization process
28 for awarding grants under AS 14.43.400 - 14.43.500.

29 * Sec. 24. AS 14.43.420(a) is amended to read:

30 (a) A grant made under AS 14.43.400 - 14.43.500 may not be in an amount
31 less than \$500 [\$100] nor more than \$2,000 [\$1,500] for each school [ACADEMIC]

1 year.

2 * **Sec. 25.** AS 14.43.420 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

3 (c) A student may receive not more than a total of \$8,000 in grants awarded
4 under AS 14.43.400 - 14.43.500.

5 * **Sec. 26.** AS 14.43.740(a) is amended to read:

6 (a) The provisions of AS 14.43.100, 14.43.120(a) - (c), (m), and (r) - (u),
7 14.43.122 [14.43.110, 14.43.120(a) - (d), (m), AND (r) - (u)], 14.43.135, 14.43.145 -
8 14.43.155 [14.43.145 - 14.43.150], and 14.43.910 - 14.43.990 apply to a loan made
9 under AS 14.43.710 - 14.43.750.

10 (a) The provisions of AS 14.43.100, 14.43.120(a) - (c), (m), and (r) - (u),
11 14.43.122 [14.43.110, 14.43.120(a) - (d), (m), AND (r) - (u)], 14.43.135, 14.43.145 -
12 14.43.155 [14.43.145 - 14.43.150], and 14.43.910 - 14.43.990 apply to a loan made
13 under AS 14.43.710 - 14.43.750.

14 * **Sec. 27.** AS 14.43.740 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

15 (g) The commission may, by regulation, set loan limits for loans made under
16 AS 14.43.710 - 14.43.750.

17 * **Sec. 28.** AS 14.43.990 is amended by adding new paragraphs to read:

18 (5) "AlaskAdvantage" means the service mark registered by the
19 commission under 15 U.S.C. 1051 (Trademark Act) that is used to describe financial
20 aid and higher education outreach programs and services provided by the commission;

21 (6) "education loan" means a loan made to finance the cost of
22 attendance in a postsecondary education program that is made by the commission or is
23 a loan received through the federal guaranteed student loan program.

24 * **Sec. 29.** AS 14.44.040(c) is amended to read:

25 (c) If a program participant defaults on the repayment obligation, the
26 provisions of AS 14.43.145 - 14.43.155 [AS 14.43.145 - 14.43.150] apply to collect
27 on the obligation as if it were a defaulted loan under AS 14.43.

28 * **Sec. 30.** AS 36.30.850(b) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

29 (44) contracts of the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education
30 or the Alaska Student Loan Corporation for the guarantee and disbursing of financial
31 aid money to institutions of postsecondary education under the financial aid programs

1 under AS 14.43.091 - 14.43.750 and AS 14.44.025.

2 * **Sec. 31.** AS 14.42.110, 14.42.220(f); AS 14.43.122(b), 14.43.300(g), 14.43.405(b),
3 14.43.420(b), 14.43.500(1), and 14.43.500(2) are repealed.

4 * **Sec. 32.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
5 read:

6 **TRANSITION: REGULATIONS.** The Alaska Student Loan Corporation may
7 proceed to adopt regulations to implement the changes made by sec. 6 of this Act. The
8 regulations take effect under AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure Act), but not before the
9 effective date of sec. 6 of this Act.

10 * **Sec. 33.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
11 read:

12 **REVISOR OF STATUTES INSTRUCTIONS.** (a) The revisor of statutes is
13 instructed to change the heading of Article 5 of AS 14.43 from "Article 5. Alaska Advantage
14 Loan Program." to "Article 5. AlaskAdvantage Loan Program."

15 (b) The revisor of statutes is instructed to change the heading of Article 8 of AS 14.43
16 from "Article 8. Educational Incentive Grant Program." to "Article 8. AlaskAdvantage
17 Education Grant Program."

18 * **Sec. 34.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
19 read:

20 **REGULATIONS ATTORNEY INSTRUCTIONS.** Wherever in the Alaska
21 Administrative Code the term "Alaska advantage" is used, it shall be read as
22 "AlaskAdvantage" when to do so would be consistent with the changes in this Act. Under
23 AS 44.62.125(b)(6), the regulations attorney is instructed to make changes in the Alaska
24 Administrative Code consistent with this section.

25 * **Sec. 35.** Section 6 of this Act takes effect January 1, 2005.

26 * **Sec. 36.** Except as provided in sec. 35 of this Act, this Act takes effect immediately under
27 AS 01.10.070(c).

(S) HES amendments to SB277:

page 4, line 1, new Sec. 5: 14.42.220

AS 14.43.120 is amended by adding new subsection to read:

(g) The corporation may issue bonds pursuant to (a)(3) in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$280,000,000.

RENUMBER ALL SUBSEQUENT SECTIONS

Sec. 21, page 10, beginning on line 28:

Following the word "in" delete "a health, human services, education or public safety" and insert "an" to read "...study that is preparatory for employment in an occupation or profession...."

Sec. 24 page 11, line 15 (conforming change): strike paragraph (3) and renumber remaining paragraphs (4) and (5) as (3) and (4).

Line 26, strike "10" and insert "15" to indicate the job vacancy rate percentage that will be deemed "severe shortage",

**SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT
First Committee of Referral**

DATE: 1/23/04

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Health, Education and Social Services Committee considered

SENATE BILL NO. 277

SB 277 STUDENT LOAN PROGRAMS

"An Act relating to the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education; relating to the Alaska Student Loan Corporation; relating to bonds of the corporation; relating to loan and grant programs of the commission; relating to an exemption from the State Procurement Code regarding certain contracts of the commission or corporation; making conforming changes; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends:

- be replaced with _____ CS for SB 277 (HES)
- 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 Change
 New Title w/ SCR # _____

NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN#
EED	1/30	X			

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN#
ADM	12/15			✓	1
CED	12/12			✓	2

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	DO PASS	DO NOT PASS	NO REC	AMEND
<i>Lylee Meier</i>	✓			
<i>Erny Willie</i>	✓			
CHAIR: <i>Paul Brown</i>	✓			