

**HB**

**476**

# SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 04/22/04

FURTHER:

DATE TURNED IN TO OFFICE: 4/30/04

State Affairs Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 476(STA)

## HB 476 AK STATEHOOD CELEBRATION COMMISSION

"An Act establishing the Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission; 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

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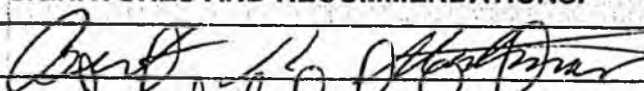
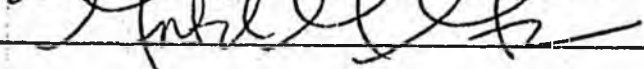
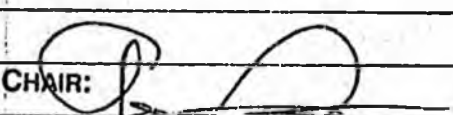
**NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):**

Department	Date	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN#

**PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):**

Department	Date	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN#
Leg.	2/27/04			✓	1
Gov	2/20/04			✓	3

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	DO PASS	DO NOT PASS	NO REC	AMEND
	✓			
	✓			
CHAIR: 	✓			

## PROPOSAL FOR ALASKA'S 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Presented to Governor Murkowski by Gail Phillips  
October 2003 (Updated January 2004)

**FIVE YEARS FROM NOW, WE WILL BE CELEBRATING OUR GOLDEN, 50<sup>TH</sup> STATEHOOD ANNIVERSARY. THIS PROPOSAL CONTAINS PLANS FOR BEGINNING THE PLANNING PROCESS NOW FOR THE CELEBRATION.**

**I AM VOLUNTEERING TO CHAIR A COMMITTEE COMPRISED OF ALASKANS FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE AND ALL LOCATIONS OF ALASKA TO BEGIN WORK ON THE FESTIVITIES. I BELIEVE THIS COMMITTEE, WITH OFFICIAL SANCTION FROM YOU, CAN SET THE GROUNDWORK FOR A VERY SUCCESSFUL CELEBRATION.**

**YOU AND NANCY, TED AND KATHERINE, LISA AND VERNE AND DON AND LU SHOULD ALL BE SHOWN AS OFFICIAL HEADS OF THE COMMITTEE AND I WOULD SUGGEST THAT WE PUT TOGETHER A LIST OF PIONEER ALASKANS WHO VOTED FOR STATEHOOD IN 1958 TO BE SHOWN AS THE HONORARY CAMPAIGN CHAIRMEN. IF THIS LIST IS TOO LONG, WE CAN USE IT IN SOME OTHER VENUE. IT WOULD BE IMPRESSIVE TO HAVE SUCH A LIST TODAY.**

**I THINK THAT THE INITIAL COMMITTEE CAN BE VOLUNTARY AND SHOULD WORK FOR THE NEXT THREE YEARS PUTTING PRELIMINARY PLANS INTO PLACE. THEN, IN 2007, I THINK THE COMMITTEE SHOULD BE FUNDED FULL TIME FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS. THIS WILL BE A MAJOR TASK TO CARRY OFF SUCCESSFULLY AND I DON'T THINK IT CAN BE LEFT TO UNPAID VOLUNTEERS IN THE LAST TWO YEARS – THIS COULD BE A SIMILAR ORGANIZATION TO THAT PUT TOGETHER FOR THE WORLD WINTER SPECIAL OLYMPICS CELEBRATION THAT WAS HELD IN ANCHORAGE SEVERAL YEARS AGO.**

**I HAVE PUT TOGETHER A LIST OF SOME IDEAS I HAVE ON ITEMS THAT WE NEED TO GET STARTED ON. THIS LIST IS CERTAINLY NOT A FINAL LIST AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A BEGINNING DRAFT. THE COMMITTEE THAT IS ESTABLISHED WILL COME UP WITH MANY MORE WONDERFUL IDEAS.**

**Plan the Statewide Celebration for the week of January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009. Logistically, the events could begin on Monday, December 29<sup>th</sup>, have a semi-major event on Wednesday evening (New Year's Eve), major events on Thursday, January 1<sup>st</sup> and then the huge gala on Saturday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>. The formal recognitions, etc. could all take place on Sunday, the 4<sup>th</sup> and the closing ceremony that evening.**

On Saturday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, each community in Alaska needs to have a coordinated gigantic bonfire and birthday cake celebration – this all needs to be choreographed ahead of time so that the bonfires are all lit at the same time the evening of the 3<sup>rd</sup> (in remembrance of the Statehood celebration).

We should produce a CD (Video and DVD) showing a timeline of 50 years of development in our State – we should try to get as much footage from as many communities across the State as possible for this. The State archives has great footage that we can use, starting with the actual battle in Congress for our Statehood and the proclamation signed by President Eisenhower, admitting us into the Union. This should highlight all the major events of our State's history during the past 50 years.

We need to develop a contest for all Alaskan artists to come up with a grand design for our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. This would be the official logo that will be used on everything published or printed or manufactured for this event.

We should develop a contest for Alaskans to come up with a third verse to our State Flag Song that commemorates our 50 years of Statehood.

Some of the items that would need to be created for this event include bumper stickers, posters, commemorative coins, balloons, pins etc. There should not be a problem with using the State seal on any of these items since this is a celebration of Statehood, and this needs to be cleared ahead of time.

The University needs to develop course curriculum on Alaska history focusing on the first 50 years of Statehood. This course needs to be available on-line in order for all school classrooms across the State to have access to it and to use it as a lesson plan in late 2008 in anticipation of the celebration in 2009.

All citizen organizations in the State need to be contacted and coordinated for Statehood presentations in the several months prior to the date. This would include all Chambers of Commerce, Rotary Clubs, Lion Clubs, RDC, Commonwealth North, The Alliance, Community Councils, Boys and Girls Clubs, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, all elementary and secondary school groups and all other groups anyone can think of. The purpose here would be to take the CD presentation and/or a power point presentation to educate every citizen in Alaska of the importance of our 50 years of successful statehood – something Congress feared would not be the case when we were granted statehood.

We need to coordinate with all retail outlets in Alaska to use a printed grocery or retail bag that depicts this anniversary – using the winning artist's design, we can coordinate this with a private vendor to make any and all sizes of bags and carrying cases available to all retailers in the State.

We could initiate a "Homesteader's Raffle" statewide. Tickets would be \$10 and the money raised would be used to deflect the cost of the statewide celebration. The winning tickets could be deeded a 10-acre, 5-acre and perhaps 10 one-acre parcels of State land in a fairly desirable location. Any variation of this could be worked out – primarily we want to raise money for the celebration and give our citizens a chance for land at a great price! The cost of transferring this land to private ownership must be minimal, so the location of land will be important.

We need to coordinate with all the Military in Alaska for their participation in the celebration, including fly-overs, gun salutes, tours of vehicles and facilities, and so on. If we start early enough, perhaps we could even get the military to dedicate a plane or ship to Alaska for this event.

We need to work with Alaska Airlines and the smaller carriers in the State to install new paint jobs on their planes with the anniversary logo. Also, we need to make sure all the materials on their planes, such as the magazines, napkins, uniforms, buttons etc. reflect our celebration.

We need to coordinate with a manufacturer of paper goods, and with COSTCO and SAM'S CLUB to create a 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary line of paper goods that all restaurants, lodges, bars, clubs, etc. will use during this time.

We need to work with the Alaska Railroad to make sure they have at least one passenger car repainted and dedicated to the Anniversary.

We need to coordinate with all native groups and ask them to have their musicians and dancers create special music and dances for this celebration.

We need to coordinate with a publishing company to create a large "Coffee Table Pictorial Book" covering the last 50 years in Alaska – her land and people.

We need to begin the process of officially gaining a patent or copyright for everything that we are going to make or publish for the celebration. This may require legislative action that will mandate that nothing can be created or sold as far as memorabilia is concerned without the State's approval.

We need to plan a major nation-wide (world-wide?) press campaign to make sure all Americans have the chance to share in our celebration. In addition, every thing we do for this celebration needs to be well documented for future generations.

**I KNOW THERE ARE MANY OTHER THINGS TO DO TO CELEBRATE OUR STATEHOOD; THIS LIST JUST PUTS TOGETHER A FEW IDEAS I'VE HAD AND I HOPE YOU WILL AGREE THAT WE NEED TO GET STARTED VERY SOON IN ORDER TO HAVE A GRAND CELEBRATION IN 2009.**

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH.**

**Gail Phillips, October 2003**

Updated ideas, effective January 15, 2004

Honorary Committee Chairpersons should also include all former Governors and First Ladies.

Contact Grizz – Anchorage Fireworks Specialist – to have him design and create a special fireworks exhibition that will include an Alaska Flag display.

Contact the Alaska Marine Highway System for their participation for the year, including special decorations and commemorations on the ferries, new “statehood” menus for the galleys, etc.

Contact all cruise lines coming into Alaska to have them develop a special “Alaska 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary” menu for their ships. Also – make sure they have the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary video on all their ships for viewing by passengers in their lounges, libraries, etc. and for sale as a souvenir. Also, contract with them to sell the coffee-table book in their gift shops.

We should conduct essay and poetry contests in all elementary and high schools in the State. There could be various categories to give prizes for. The theme of these should be clearly outlined and should all tie into our 50 years of Statehood.

All major events during the year such as races, the Iditarod and Quest, sporting and musical events, events in the performing art centers, etc. should be encouraged to use the logo and any other promotional pieces for the Anniversary.

Hobo Jim should be contacted soon to start working on a Statehood Anniversary Song, similar to what he’s done for the Iditarod, the Railroad, the Valley Farming industry, etc.

Arrangements need to be made with the State Fair Associations now to accommodate a large display/demonstration of our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The book, video and all other promotional material should be on sale at the Fairs.

We need to start working on good names for the Committee. I met with Governor Hickel, Mead Treadwell and Malcolm Roberts and they were all very interested in helping and being involved. I would definitely recommend Melissa Anderson of Alaska Destination Specialists to be involved. She was one of the major players in the World Special Olympics. Mayor Rick Mystrom should also be included, particularly in light of his planning role with the Winter Olympics.

Consideration should also be given to reactivating the Statehood Commission which was in place for the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. This would need Legislative authority and should be well defined as to what is expected of them.

Design a 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Auto License Plate.

More to come later.....Gail

# FISCAL NOTE

**STATE OF ALASKA**  
**2004 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

Fiscal Note Number: 1  
 Bill Version: CSHB 476(STA)  
 (H) Publish Date: 4/7/04

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): \_\_\_\_\_ Dept. Affected: Legislature  
 Title "An Act establishing the Alaska Statehood BRU Leg Council/Leg Operating  
Celebration Commission; and providing for an effective.." Component: Session  
 Sponsor Representative Anderson Legislative Operating Budget  
 Requestor House State Affairs Component No. 783

**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	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
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
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**FUND SOURCE** (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

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)

This legislation has zero fiscal impact on the Legislative Affairs Agency.

Prepared by: Karla Schofield, Deputy Director Phone 465-6626  
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 Approved by: Pamela Varni, Executive Director Date 3/29/2004  
 Agency: Legislative Affairs Agency

# FISCAL NOTE

**STATE OF ALASKA**  
**2004 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

Fiscal Note Number: 3  
 Bill Version: CSHB 476(STA)  
 (H) Publish Date: 4/21/2004

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): \_\_\_\_\_ Dept. Affected: GOV  
 Title "An Act establishing the Alaska BRU Executive Operations  
Statehood Celebration Commission Component Executive Office  
 Sponsor Representative Anderson  
 Requester House Finance Committee Component No. 6

**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						
Miscellaneous						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

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<b>CHANGE IN REVENUES ( )</b>						
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**FUND SOURCE** (Thousands of Dollars)

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1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

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	0	0	0	0	0	0
Part-time	0	0	0	0	0	0
Temporary	0	0	0	0	0	0

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

Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_  
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# Alaska State Legislature

## House of Representatives



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### **SPONSOR STATEMENT FOR CSHB 476(STA)** **BY: Representative Tom Anderson**

**TITLE:** "An Act establishing the Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission; and providing for an effective date."

January 2009 will mark the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Alaska's admission as the 49<sup>th</sup> state of the United States of America. It is important the State of Alaska recognize this landmark with a celebration of the state's magnificent heritage and to reflect upon the opportunities that 50 years of Statehood have brought to the state.

The Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission shall consist of 9 members. There shall be 4 public members, of whom one member shall be a resident of and be appointed from each of the four judicial districts in the state. The presiding officer from the Alaska House of Representatives and the Alaska Senate will appoint a majority and a minority member from each body. The governor or the governor's designee will occupy the 9<sup>th</sup> seat.

The Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission shall plan and administer all official state activities leading up to the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Alaska Statehood. The commission will initiate a public process to solicit ideas about the celebration.

In addition, the commemorative quarter honoring the State of Alaska will be issued in the same calendar year in which the Alaska Statehood Celebration occurs.

I urge your support of this important piece of legislation.

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## MEMORANDUM

April 3, 2004

**SUBJECT:** Sectional Summary of CSHB 476( ); An Act establishing the Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission (Work Order No. 23-LS1744D)

**TO:** Representative Tom Anderson  
Attn: Jim Shine

**FROM:** George Utermohle *GU*  
Legislative Counsel

You have requested a sectional summary of CSHB 476( ), [Draft Version D]; An Act establishing the Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission.

As a preliminary matter, note that a sectional summary of a bill is not an authoritative interpretation of the bill. The bill itself is the best statement of its contents.

Section 1 of the bill sets out the purpose of the bill to establish a commission to plan and prepare for a celebration of the 50th anniversary of Alaska Statehood.

Section 2 of the bill establishes the Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission consisting of four public members, four legislative members, and the governor or the governor's designee and provides for operations of the commission.

Section 3 of the bill sets out the powers and duties of the commission in regard to the celebration of the 50th anniversary of Alaska Statehood.

Section 4 of the bill prohibits persons from asserting an affiliation with the commission unless the commission has authorized the affiliation in writing.

Section 5 of the bill provides that the provisions of the bill are repealed January 31, 2010.

Section 6 of the bill provides that the bill takes effect January 1, 2005.

If I may be of further assistance, please advise.

GU:med  
04-369.med

**Changes to HB 476 in (H) STA**

Page 2, line 3: Delete [17] and insert 9.

Page 2, lines 5 through 7: Reduced the number of public members on the commission from 12 to 4.

This amendment reduced the size of the commission to 9 members in an attempt to lower the fiscal impact of the legislation.

**Changes to CSHB 476(STA) in (H) JUD**

The House Finance Committee reduced the fiscal note to zero.

# HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(11)

Date Referred to Committee: April 7, 2004

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: 4.19.04

The FINANCE Committee considered:

HB 476

HOUSE BILL NO. 476

AK STATEHOOD CELEBRATION COMMISSION

"An Act establishing the Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission; and providing for an effective date."

Recommends it be replaced with [ ] HCS or  CS for HB 476 (STA)  
 For Senate Bills with new title: [ ] Technical Title [ ] New Title: HCR \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] Same Title [ ] New Title

- attach amendments
- add new referral to \_\_\_\_\_ Committee
- Letter of Intent \_\_\_\_\_ Committee

List of Abbrev for Depts.:  
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<u>NEW FISCAL NOTES</u>				
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<u>PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTES</u>				
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