

SB

117

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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate State affairs
 Committee on 117 Committee Name Dated 27 Mar 03
Bill / Subject

*Please do not take away our longevity
 payment. We depend on it and we spend it
 here. This is my 51st winter in AK and
 I want to be able to stay here*

SIGNED: *Robert E. Franz*
Testifier

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Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate's State Affairs
 Committee on SB117 Committee Name
 Dated 3-27-03
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I object to the elimination of
 the longevity bonus for the welfare
 of seniors in Alaska.

Age 75 - resident of Fairbanks
 since 1953.

SIGNED:

Philip J. Freese
 Testifier

Myself and seniors in general
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I am retired and need the Longevity Bonus to pay my fuel oil bill each month. In order to remain in Alaska where I have lived for 53 years I rent my basement to a tenant to help pay my mortgage and the cost of garbage, water and sewer continues to rise. I need the Longevity Bonus to survive in Alaska.

SIGNED:

Blayne M. Jerry
 Testifier

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Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate State Affairs
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I am 100% agents eliminating the
 Longevity bonus

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 Committee on SB117 Committee Name
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I would like to say the longevity is very important as it is all I have besides Soc. Sec.

SIGNED: Rillian P. Smith
 Testifier

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 Committee on _____ Dated 3/27/03
 Committee on SB 117 Dated _____
 Bill / Subject

I am an 84 year old lady that came to Alaska June 24, 1944
 aam now classed as legally blind. My husband was employed by
 the Civel Service Administration (Federal Aviation Agency). He
 worked 33 years with the Agency and retired here in Fairanks.

The longivety BONUS was started to keep the retired Seniors
 from moving back to the states to spend their pay . The BONUS
 would assist them to stay here in Alaska and spend their
 retirement pay here. If the BONUS goes I am sure many of us will
 have to leave Alaska regardless of how much we love our homes.
 Think about how you would get reelected if we all are put out
 to pasture in the states.

SIGNED:

X *Lorena M. Ervin*

Testifier

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 Committee on SB 117 Committee Name Dated 3-27-03
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*I leave the Longevity Status as it is.
 It is very important to be shown for
 merit to merit appraisals.*

SIGNED:

Warren R. Smith

Testifier

Representing-

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Committee on SB 117 Committee Name Dated 3-27-03

Bill / Subject

My name is Karen Wood. I hold a master's degree in Gerontology. I am a senior working with seniors in the interior of Alaska.

It is imperative to the health, welfare and dignity of the elderly receiving the longevity bonus that this program not be eliminated as proposed in Gov. Murkowski's FY04 budget.

Tightening the belt in Alaska should not be accomplished by strangling and disrespecting the elderly who are unable to replace the loss of income in their long established budgets. The burden will fall on families for those who have families and on the state for those who do not. The caregiver family cannot take on the additional burden.

Increasing safety net programs is insignificant in relation to the increase in the senior population in Alaska, the second fastest growing in the nation in proportion to the total population.

Elimination of the Longevity Bonus is a false economy as the fall out burden will far outweigh the initial savings.

I respectfully encourage you to vote "NO" in behalf of Alaska's pioneers program.

SIGNED:

Testifier

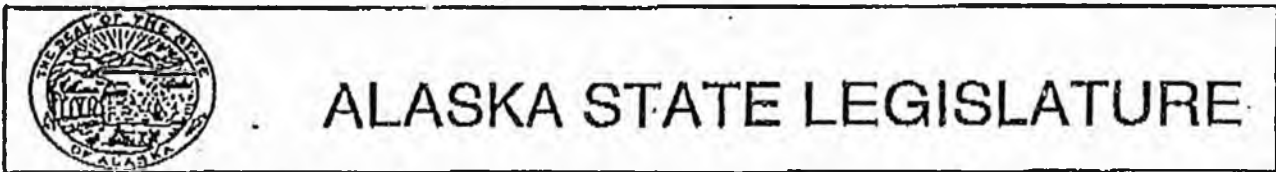
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 Dated 3-27-03
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MR. Governor —

You have only one recourse, that is to remove about 12,000 employees from the state payroll. This would balance the budget. If you need a guideline, look up to 1959 and eliminate all services we did not render at that time and start over. What a waste. More state employees than we need or require. You have only 2 years to do the job!

SIGNED: Randall K. Aard
 Testifier

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Good afternoon, my name is Don Lee; Executive Director for Denakkanaaga Inc, the regional native elder's organization for the Doyon/TCC region. We have been in operation since 1982, providing a variety of services to Elders for 20 years.

1300 Elders from District C will be negatively impacted, if the proposed cut takes place.

The impact of cutting the Longevity Bonus program will be devastating and traumatic for our Elders of the region.

Within the Doyon/TCC region, the proposed cut will impact at least 388 native Elders enrolled to Doyon, who are 72 years old or older, of which 116 live in Fairbanks, 45 live in Anchorage, and 278 reside in the rural communities of the Doyon/TCC region.

Most of these Elders live near the national poverty level even with the longevity bonus. By deducting \$250/month from their incomes, would reduce their monthly income by 25-30% of their already impoverished incomes. I think all of us would agree that a 25-30% reduction in our incomes would dramatically impact our standard of living. We ask you to consider what an even greater impact such a reduction would have on elderly people who are already impoverished. Is this fair? The loss of the longevity bonus will cause serious financial hardship for all involved an even greater impact on rural residents, considering the higher cost of living.

There are many good reasons not to reduce the income of Alaska's "eldest" Elders. You have heard those reasons from others already, throughout the state.

I would close by simply stating that Alaska's people have a solid sense of fairness and what is right. WE value the hard work and pioneer spirit of our Alaskan Elders. This part of the governor's budget proposal does not reflect our Alaskan values. It's not fair; it's not right, that's not the way we treat our Elders.

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Originals to follow by pouch.

When the longevity bonus program was set up, it was designed to "self destruct". Only pioneers who had been in the state for 30 years or more and were living in the state in 1959 were eligible for the longevity bonus. Eventually we'd all die off and that would be the end of it.

Then some lawyer got the law changed so anyone over 60 years of age, who lived in Alaska for ONE year or more, was eligible. Relatives from the Lower 48 moved to Alaska to reap the benefits. Many hadn't lived in Alaska before and never endured any pioneer hardships at all.

Now the state wants to penalize the pioneer residents and others (mostly single women, some men) who are too old to work and don't have enough money to live on and pay for necessities of life.

Sad to say I've worked most of my life but was so busy just surviving and caring for a family I didn't plan ahead. So, I have no pension, no retirement, no IRA, no 401K, just my social security, and annual permanent fund bonus, plus my longevity.

I've worked most of my life, but never more than four years on any one job; I've freelanced writing for 20 years, also intermittently sell my watercolors. So I count on the longevity to pay studio rent and whatever gifts I give my children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren for Xmas/birthdays, etc augmented by my social security (which pays for perscriptions and travel primarily).

I was a widow for nine years and totally responsible for all expenses for myself and family- housing, transportation, food, clothing, medical care, taxes, etc. Even now I share expenses with my present husband-especially for my own children and sometimes travel.

PLEASE do NOT eliminate the LONGEVITY BONUS for us folks past 70's & 80's who have lived in Alaska since before 1959. (I came to Fairbanks in 1928 at age 13 and have lived in Alaska continually, except for four years during WorldWarII, when I worked for Boeing Air in Seattle.)

Helen L. Atkinson, Fairbanks, Alaska

Helen L. Atkinson 4:30 PM Tues 3/25/03
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Please enter into the record my testimony to the (S) STA
 Committee on Integrity Issues Checks Committee Name Dated 3-26-03
 Bill / Subject SB 117

Please do not let this bill go through - our elders have enough difficult times. My 91 yr old mother lives in the village and purchase her wood & groceries. My elder husband 80 years old sees this forwards his stipends - he has no medical coverage.

SIGNED: Arene G. Roberts / Bogner wife
 Testifier
Lacey Roberts (*daughter)
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A.A. Bogner wife / husband
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Committee Name
 Committee on SB 117 Dated 3-27-03
Bill / Subject

I am against our Governor Murkowski's plans of eliminating the Longevity bonus checks that are mailed to Senior Citizens once a month and are vital to many and important towards their income. Many will suffer if the Governor decides to cut this program.

SIGNED:

Jane Hallman
 Testifier

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Committee Name

Committee on SB 117 Dated _____

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Everything is going ^{up!} including Medicare, and Thanks to you Gov, your receive dumping on us & old folks.

I'm glad I didn't vote for you (!!!) (+ also LISA). I remember the 60' Mins interview a number of year ago, when you were head of Alaska National Bank - that if you were making "BIG" money - that you should move!!! A real "fippen" answer for the Junior Senate from the State of Alaska - "NEVER" - became a Junior Senator - and then "downgrade" to Governor - !!! You - Steven + Young had this figured out

SIGNED:

Richard H. Ventose (76) a long time ago!
Testifier

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Many Senior Citizens depend on the Longevity Bonus for their basic needs, which would create a hardship if it were discontinued.

Medicare premiums are increasing again which will create a further need to continue receiving the Longevity Bonus. I strongly urge the Legislature to consider these factors as they vote!

SIGNED:

Anna D. Brantner
 Testifier

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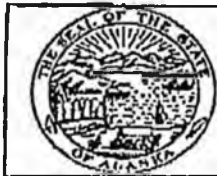


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 Committee on SB 117 Dated 3-27-03
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I feel we should keep the Longevity for the Senior Citizens of the state of Alaska. So many of us depend on our Longevity each month to help us pay our bills. The costs of medicine, fuel bills, doctor bills & etc. going up all the time. It would be a hardship on many on limited income. I hope we can continue the Longevity.

SIGNED: Darlene Lundberg
 Testifier
myself
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 Committee on _____ Committee Name
 Committee on SB 117 Dated 3-27-03
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the longevity bonus is part of the budget/
 long range plan of the people who have
 been receiving it for all these years.
 Since this plan is gradually disappearing,
 as we all die off, this doesn't seem a real
 assistance to a budget deficit!

I think it would be fair to take a dollar
 or two from every benefit program, so that
 everyone helps a little bit and no one
 gets hurt to a large extent.

SIGNED: IRENE PEYTON Irene Peyton
 Testifier

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 Representing

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See Attached.

*P.S. Local Press was here earlier,
 they ask us if anyone was in favor
 of cutting the longevity bonus, of the
 60-70 seniors here were all against
 the Governors Proposal.*

SIGNED:

Don Lee

Testifier

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March 27, 2003

The Honorable Gary Stevens
Alaska Senate
State Capitol
Juneau, AK, 99801-1182

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SUBJECT: The proposed elimination of the Longevity Bonus

Dear Senator Stevens,

I wish to voice my opposition to the proposed repeal of the Longevity Bonus. At 70, I am not eligible so miss nothing from this Bonus. However, I do believe in fair and equal treatment and unfairly singling out the elderly for a large portion of government spending cuts is certainly not equal treatment.

Governor Murkowski said it is time for ALL ALASKANS to share the burden of falling State revenues. However, the abrupt and almost immediate elimination of the Longevity Bonus is an unequal, unfair, and mean-spirited tax on the elderly in far greater proportion than that of the general public. Using numbers published in the Friday March 7 ADN, the average Alaskan 72 years and older would be taxed \$2611.00/year (\$47 million - 18,000 elderly) while Alaskans as whole would pay \$180.00/year (\$113 million - 627,000 Alaskans) to fund the new taxes/fees recommended by the Governor. The Governor says he is not abandoning the elderly. I must ask if not then who is?

We can argue all day about whether a loss of an entitlement is a tax and what is a tax and what is a fee and so on. But the real point is that Alaskans 75 years and older are being taxed/asked to pay/forfeit/do without \$3000.00/year to help fund their share of government. The elderly are the most vulnerable of all citizens. Many are in poor health with large medical expenses. Most live on fixed incomes and will be unable to recover this immediate and substantial loss. Few could re-enter the work force or change careers or work more hours as younger Alaskans could if taxed proportionately. And last, this is no way to treat those who helped make this a great State, hard working elderly Alaskans who are nearing the end of their years and are no longer as productive as they once were.

We can also argue the issue of entitlements all day. Should people receive public money for being elderly, here and breathing - The Longevity Bonus? And should people receive public money for just being here and breathing - The Permanent Fund Dividend? While both were enacted for very noble and valid reasons, when we look back from here neither one makes great sense today. And neither one is more noble or valid today than the other and the elimination of either creates great hardship.

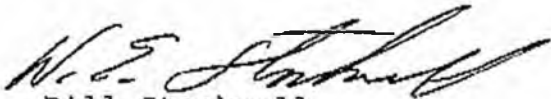
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Let us be fair. All Alaskans must pay their fair share of the burden of higher taxes and less entitlements. The elderly and all Alaskans should give up their fair and proportionate share of the Permanent Fund Dividend and the Longevity Bonus and all Alaskans should pay their fair and equitable share of taxes necessary to operate our government.

If each elderly Alaskan gave up just \$75.00/year (\$6.25/month) from their Longevity Bonus and all Alaskans gave up just \$75.00 of their yearly Permanent Fund Dividend, \$48 million would be available for government spending - more than enough to make up for the proposed elimination of the elderly's entitlement. While this solution would appear fair to all, the elderly would still pay twice as their share of the budget reductions.

DON'T PLACE AN INORDINATE BURDEN ON THE ELDERLY.

Sincerely,



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committee name

Committee on state affairs # 9117, dated 3-27-03
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The longevity program was originally started as a program to keep Alaska Seniors in Alaska, Many Alaska Seniors use this money to pay for what medicines they use and other living expenses, So it is returned to the Alaska economy and the money does remain in Alaska. Many of the seniors feel they deserve this program to keep them here in Alaska. If this program is revoked many seniors will move elsewhere where the daily needs are less expensive.

Signed: Dannie W. Garoutte
Testifier

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Senate State Affairs Committee Hearing - SB 117 March 27, 2003

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The Longevity Bonus has become an integral, life-saving part of low and middle income seniors' budget. The seniors receiving Longevity checks are depending on the bit of extra dollars each month to buy prescriptions pay utility bills or buy groceries.

Most seniors who are currently receiving the Longevity Bonus need and strongly depend on the Longevity Bonus for basic necessities. Many of them do qualify for some Medicaid assistance. Some have refused 'welfare' and struggle to keep going with what they have. Without the Longevity Bonus, most of the seniors who receive services at the Ninilchik Senior Center would have to seek financial assistance elsewhere, or have to be supported by family.

Medicaid and Medicare do provide a ghost of a safety net but they do NOT provide what is necessary for life. Medicaid and Medicare provide only SOME of life's necessities. They do not even provide adequately for all medical needs.

Therefore, the Ninilchik Senior Center members strongly recommend that the Longevity Bonus remain in place as it is, and be terminated by attrition.

Signed:

Julianne Welch
Testifier

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Representing (optional)

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BIGGEST LITTLE SENIOR CENTER on the PENINSULA
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March 26, 2003

Governor Murkowski
Juneau, Alaska

WE members of the Ninilchik, Alaska Senior Center on behalf of our fellow Seniors living on the Kenai Peninsula, strongly encourage Governor Murkowski to endorse continuing the Longevity fund. By 2015 the Seniors eligible for the fund will have dwindled to perhaps a few sturdy pioneers. Denying Seniors this help amounts to an Income Tax of up to 10% on our neediest folks. Please remember that almost every penny of this fund is returned to the Alaska economy.

Sincerely,

Mrs Donald Reetz 80
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Flo Hornum
Faye Garretts
Kerrie
Hannie Garretts R
Donald J Reetz 81
Susan Helen Smith
Lee Wentworth
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Date: *28 March 2003*

Subject: *SB 117*

written testimony to be included with the SB 117

list of attendees at the Senate State Affairs Committee public hearing - off-site teleconferences at Ninilchik Senior Center.



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committee on SB 117, dated 4/3/03
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Signed: _____
Testifier

Representing (Optional)

Address

Phone No.

April 3, 2003

Frank L. Girard
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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

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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 Murkouski, 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,



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Please enter into the record my testimony to the SENATE STATE AFFAIRS
committee name
committee on SR 117, dated APRIL 3, 2003.
bill/subject

MR. CHAIRMAN and MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE,
IN view of the fact that the Longevity
bonus program is being phased out, this
program should NOT be cut.

Please instead consider a windfall
profits tax on oil above \$18 per barrel.

Leave the PFD alone. If you put
together a package of graduated
income tax and oil windfall profits
tax that would be fair.

Once Again, please DO NOT PASS SB117

Signed:

Jim Sykes JIM SYKES
Testifier

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Please enter into the record my testimony to the Longevity bonus Program
committee name

committee on 117, dated 4-3-2003
bill/subject

I am opposed to eliminating the longevity bonus.
I am a 63 year resident and do not qualify for program
but I feel the citizens of Alaska who do should continue
receiving it.

I feel there are many other places where reductions can be
made. I also feel that possibly taking \$200.00 from each
Permanent Dividend check would pay for state of Alaska Senior
benefit programs. Lets take care of our seniors and get
on with state business.

Signed:

James Fleming

Testifier

Self and Representative of Alaska

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committee on SB 117 Longevity, dated 4-3-03
bill/subject Bonus

My name is Louise Harris. I am President of Palmer Senior Center.

We believe there are several reasons to retain the Longevity Bonus for Alaska citizens over 72.

To begin, this payment to seniors is spent right here in Alaska each month and is a boon to the economy. It probably costs the state less than "public assistance" and has a different meaning for older Alaskans.

Secondly, there are many senior citizens in Alaska who do not have social security or individual pensions, and this check each month pays for prescription drugs, groceries, utilities, rent and other necessities.

Thirdly, the Bonus is phasing out as seniors die. Finally, it would be very difficult for those in

Signed: Louise Harris (over)

Testifier

Palmer Senior Center

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their 70's, 80's and 90's to find jobs and go back to work. They would be forced to ask for "public assistance" which would be demeaning to many and also cost the state more.

We urge you to vote "NO" on SB117.

Thank you.



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Signed: _____

Testifier

William Church

Representing (Optional)

Address

Phone No.

Hi I am William Church

4/3/2003

I have been in Alaska since 1935----- I am 70 years old.

I Have spent all of my life in Alaska.

Most of my life I have heard the statement, from real OLD Timers, We stayed because we never had the money to leave. In most cases this was a big joke; they loved Alaska. And would not leave for any reason.

I feel I am a relative new comer to the state.. But it is my home. I will be here until the end...

I do not receive Longevity.

Have been fortunate enough to have been employed all of my adult life, up until I retired. as have the rest of My family. so can get along with out it .

I agree that a few hundred dollars a month would be very nice to have coming in. I also figured I would get longevity at retirement age, but unfortunately it didn't turn out that way.

As one of my old friends said ,the other day, this is her mad money..It would be a terrible thing to take it away..

I am also quite sure there are those who can not live with out it.

Thank you for your time
Bill Church



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Please leave the longevity Program in place as is. It is phasing out.

The Gov. and some legislators have targeted the elderly to help balance a large portion of the budget deficit. He even went on television to convince the general public he needs it. I don't think he needs to balance the budget on our backs.

There are so many ways to cut spending and raise revenue, most of the suggestions are called regressive til it comes to the elderly 72 yrs + up. Then it becomes alright.

The governor and some legislators must greatly dislike us. If you eliminate the program we will still be required to pay the user fees, gas taxes, tire taxes and sales taxes you may enact.

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Please enter into the record my testimony to the SB117 Senate State Affairs

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"My husband and I have lived here for 52 years. I have founded the pavement to collect funds for the Fairbanks Memorial Hospital construction after the 1967 flood, - just spent 4 months volunteering to help in the Junior Olympics, which drew 350 skiers and 650 family and friends to Fairbanks which drew in tremendous amounts of money to the area state. I was a home mom volunteering for a sewing project to support to buy funds to buy needed equipment for our children's schools from 1960 to 1980.

How many employees who remain. Longevity will lose their jobs? Or will they just be absorbed? Please let me know this information!

You talk about being fair - You are not fair, if you are involved in breaking a promise made - even if made by your opposing regime in years past?

After Glen's job was terminated, he chose to retire here on a very modest pension because he liked living in Alaska. The Longevity really helps cover his "meds" that medicare doesn't even pay for now, and didn't make the card "med" list from HARP.

The pressure on state funded homes will be tremendous, if we can't stay fiscally in our own homes

Why does the Gov. choose to take this 47 million as an easy way to make his 55 million cut? Is that fair?!

Thank you for listening.

SIGNED:

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SB 117

March 31, 2003

Dear Legislators and Governor:

Re: Budget Cut of Longevity Bonus

Thank you to the Governor for responding to our letter of March 9, 2003.

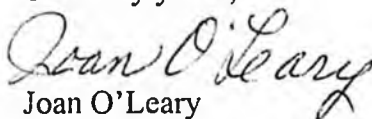
We are still opposed to this cut and you have not convinced us. It will die on its own as people are passing on. Most of the attachment you provided makes us feel as if we would be better off if we were on welfare and not independent. This just makes me want to cry to be given a list of welfare or lower income benefits. That is so undignified. Prescription drug coverage - they have been working on this for years and it is the same old thing - the drug costs go up and the drug companies get richer and richer, probably because they have good lobbyists.

It is our belief that all of that money for the longevity bonus is spent by the recipients in the state, just as most of the Permanent Fund Dividend money is spent here.

Again, please just reconsider this. I'm sure we can be more innovative than this instead of creating more welfare or low income ideas.

Attached is a copy of Dermot Cole's column that may of interest to you.

Sincerely yours,



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Attachment

Old-timers waited patiently to support Longevity Bonus

NEARLY 50 PEOPLE, most of them long-time Alaskans in their 70s and 80s, packed into an overheated room at the Legislative Information Office for a teleconference hearing on plans to eliminate the Longevity Bonus.

Most of them didn't have a chance to testify Thursday afternoon, but they had a chance to listen. In part because of long-winded legislators and state executives and in part because there were other Alaskans testifying in opposition from towns across the state, only six Fairbanksans were allowed to speak.

To find out what the rest thought, I asked for a show of hands to see how many agreed with Gov. Frank Murkowski's proposal to end the program and save \$47 million a year. It was unanimous. Not a single hand went up.

About 40 other people who couldn't fit into the room also dropped by the office to register disapproval with the plan to end the bonus.

Dermot Cole



The Murkowski administration contends that the original purpose of the bonus disappeared when the courts struck down the 25-year residency requirement in 1984. They say the program should be stopped now because it is not fair to the people who don't get the money.

In defending the budget cut, Joel Gilbertson, the 29-year-old commissioner of the Department of Health and Social Services, said the state would continue a wide variety of welfare programs that could help senior citizens who lose the bonus.

Part of the reason this is contentious is that the recipients don't regard the Longevity Bonus as welfare, any more than recipi-

ents of the permanent fund dividend regard that state bonus as welfare.

One of the major objections mentioned Thursday is that the 1993 phaseout approved by the Legislature was a deal with senior citizens that should be honored. No new recipients were accepted after 1996 and the average age of bonus recipients now is almost 78.

There were more than 26,000 recipients in 1996, the high point of the program. Now with deaths and people moving outside the state, there are about 18,000 recipients and the annual cost of the program has dropped from \$73 million to \$47.9 million. The decline in the years ahead is expected to average about \$3 million a year.

Another point of contention is that neither the governor nor any legislators mentioned that they wanted to take the bonus away when they ran for office last year.

"Eliminating the Longevity Bonus now without proper notice will bring great hardship to the

elderly seniors who have followed the rules and regulations as required," said Ruth Bohms.

Harry Jenkins said lawmakers should remember that the price of everything has gone up, hitting many senior citizens hard.

"Groceries up. Fuel oil to heat your house up. Real property taxes up. Gasoline is going up. Ice pool tickets are going up. Prescription drugs is the biggest one. You get to our age, we all take a handful of prescription drugs in the morning and a handful in the evening," he said.

The talk of the "safety net" that would exist with other state programs did not sit well with those who said many senior citizens would have a much lower standard of living without the monthly payments that range from \$100 to \$250 with the higher amount going to those who are in their mid to late 70s and older.

"It seems to me the governor also fails to comprehend that there are no magic programs that would fill the huge hole that the

elimination of these monies from the income of some of the people would carve," said Marge Zielinski.

"It is not morally right to inflict such trauma on a group of elderly residents that can least afford to deal with it either financially or psychologically," she said.

A statement from the administration said Murkowski believes, "That in the tradition of Alaska's pioneers, pre-1996 seniors now receiving the Longevity Bonus are most likely to be the first to agree that all Alaskans must share the budget adjustments now being required in state spending. Lifelong Alaskans would not want to pass fiscal problems onto their children and grandchildren," he said. "Nor would they want to be unfair to other seniors."

He would have found no support at this hearing for the conclusion that one of the first and largest steps to take would be to end the bonus.

"The governor's attempt to

split the senior community into two factions is absolutely ludicrous. He may well find out that all seniors stick together for their mutual benefit and protection," said Bob Huffman.

Huffman also said the state should let the program run its course and that the number of recipients goes down all the time because people are dying.

"It's the only state program that I know of designed to self-destruct, going down automatically each year with no governmental intervention," said Huffman.

March 31, 2003 date

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for my wife and myself. Medicare does not
cover prescription drugs. Medicine is expensive.
I do not smoke, drink or gamble, my check is
spent only for needed items. I object to the
Legislators or the Governor cutting out the Longevity Program.
Please Share this with all the other Senators,
Representatives and Governor Murkowski.

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4. Do you receive the Longevity Bonus? YES NO

5. I use the Longevity Bonus check for: I use my \$100⁰⁰

longevity check to buy groceries. I do not smoke,

drink or gamble, the money is not wasted.

I would rather starve than use Food Stamps or
ask for Welfare.

Why demean Senior Citizens? The Longevity
Program will phase out as we die off. I strongly
object to The Legislators or the Governor ending this Program.
Please Show this to your fellow Senators and Representatives.
And to Governor Murkowski. Thank you.



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Alaska State Legislature

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Please enter into the record my testimony to the SSTA
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committee on SB 117 Longevity Bonus, dated 3/29/03
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My name is William Plat and my wife and I have been in Alaska for 30 years. We do not believe it would be good to stop the Longevity Bonus for either the seniors or the state of Alaska.

As the Governor says, the Longevity Bonus program was established to thank the pioneer Alaskans and to keep our senior citizens from retiring and moving out of the state and to help the economy. The Governor says the program has out lived its usefulness.

I say the Governor is selling our seniors short by a long way. The longevity bonus checks are a small amount of the money the seniors need to live but a very important part as they could not live on it alone. So where does the rest of the money come from that they spend here in Alaska? Most of it comes from outside the state in the form of Social Security checks, disability checks, V.A checks and a multitude of other income mostly in small amounts but enough to make it possible to live here when cost of living is higher but it boosts our economy by that much.

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Our seniors still should be thanked for what they have ^{done} to build Alaska and what they are still doing on a reduced scale due to their age. They should not be treated as a drag on our economy but as an important part of the economy of today. The program has definitely not outlived its usefulness & I do not believe that it would be good for either the seniors or the economy to stop the Longevity Bonus program before it terminates itself in a very few years. As for the safety net that the Governor is talking about, it does not even apply to or is it usable to the majority of the seniors. It is just a cop out.



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I HAVE BEEN AN ALASKAN RESIDENT OF BETHEL, ALASKA FOR NEARLY 60 YEARS. I WILL BE 88 YEARS OLD IN JULY AND HAVE NOT BEEN EMPLOYED FOR ABOUT 15 YEARS.

I AM PROTESTING THE GOVERNOR'S ATTEMPT TO CUT OFF THE LONGEVITY BONUS.

I REALLY HAVE TO DEPEND ON MY MONTHLY LONGEVITY BONUS CHECK TO MEET LIVING COSTS. I OWN MY OWN HOME, BUT IF I HAD TO RENT I JUST COULD NOT AFFORD TO REMAIN IN ALASKA. MY TOTAL INCOME IS MY SOCIAL SECURITY CHECK AND MY LONGEVITY BONUS. EXPENSES, ESPECIALLY FUEL OIL AND ELECTRICITY HAVE BEEN INCREASING WITHOUT ANY INCOME INCREASES. I AM TOO OLD TO WORK AND WOULD ~~NEVER~~ NEVER ACCEPT WELFARE.

THE NEW GOVERNOR INSULTS ELDERLY BY PROPOSING THE ELIMINATION OF THE LONGEVITY BONUS. THERE ARE MANY ELDERLY WHO RECEIVE THE BONUS DO NOT NEED IT. IF TIMES AS TOUGH AS THE GOVERNOR THINKS IT IS HE SHOULD CUT HIS OWN SALARY TO SHOW HIS SINCERELY BEFORE CUTTING THE SENIORS.

I AM NOT SPEAKING ONLY FOR MY FAMILY BUT FOR MANY OTHER SENIORS I KNOW IN THIS AREA. THE LONGEVITY BONUS IS SOMETHING US ALASKA PIONEERS NEED AND DEPEND ON AND IF IT IS ELIMINATED I KNOW MANY WOULD HAVE TO LEAVE THE STATE. I URGE THE LEGISLATURE, WHO CREATED THE LONGEVITY BONUS, TO HELP US ELDERS BY NOT ALLOW THE GOVERNOR'S ELIMINATION OF THE PROGRAM.

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RE: Elimination of Alaska's Longevity Bonus Program

I would like to add my voice in opposing the elimination of this particular program service to Alaska's senior citizens. In southwestern Alaska, roughly 98% of the recipients heavily rely upon this source of monthly income to pay their living expenses.

This seemingly small amount that the program pays to our Elders has become a major source of income to make their ends meet in their lifestyle needs. And for many in this part of Alaska, there are astronomical costs for groceries, utilities and other monthly expenses as compared with costs in larger Alaskan cities.

I join the rest of Alaska and rural Alaska to voice my opposition to the elimination of the program that benefits Alaska's Pioneers - the rural Alaskans who have lived in their Homelands since before statehood.

I would strongly recommend that the program be changed to remove those senior citizens who do not rely upon the Longevity Bonus program as a major source of income - for example those who are wealthy enough to live on other sources of income - and that this eligibility verification can take place using whatever acceptable means of proof of income. You employ people who can figure out this aspect.

Questions? Please feel free to contact me using above information.

Sincerely,

(Ms) Bing Santamour, Director
Eddie Hoffman Senior Center

cc: Bob Herron, City Manager



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate State Affairs Committee
 committee name
 committee on HB 117 - Eliminate Longevity, dated March 27, 2003
 bill/subject

PLEASE SEE TESTIMONY
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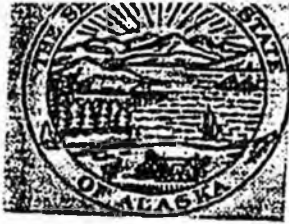
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Myself
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I strongly oppose Senate Bill 117 proposed by our Governor to immediately eliminate the Longevity Bonus Program already being phased out. I have now spent 54 years in Alaska and hope that I will be able to spend my remaining days in this beautiful State. I will always be humbly grateful for those benefits provided to me as a Senior Citizen and especially the Longevity Bonus checks I receive, that have made it possible for me and other Seniors to survive the ever-increasing high cost of living in Alaska. Most of us who are aided by the Longevity Bonus will not live much longer with so many of us now in our 80s and 90s, making the program extinct in a few more years. In my opinion our State will suffer an adverse economy if and when the Longevity Program ends. If we elder Alaskans are able to remain in Alaska we will continue to give back very much more than we receive....and this is the prime reason that the original Longevity Bonus Program was conceived. I thank you for this opportunity to express my views.

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TO: Senate State Affairs	FROM: Elizabeth A. Sarver
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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate State Affairs committee on SB 117 bill/subject, dated 3/27/03 committee name.

There must be other way to balance the budget other than staffing the Longevity!

- #1. Take \$200.00 from each dividend check.
- #2. Keep all air miles State workers collect when traveling around the country.
- #3. Impose a income tax.

Please no 124 a gallon gas tax. We do not have bus service on the Richardson Highway.

Take my dividend Cent please leave my Longevity alone!

Signed:

Walter M. Steele
Testifier

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[Fwd: keep the longevity bonus!!]

Subject: [Fwd: keep the longevity bonus!!]
Date: Mon, 31 Mar 2003 14:46:27 -0900
From: Gary Stevens <Senator_Gary_Stevens@Legis.state.ak.us>
Organization: Alaska State Legislature
To: Katrina Matheny <Katrina_Matheny@legis.state.ak.us>

Subject: keep the longevity bonus!!
Date: Mon, 31 Mar 2003 13:47:36 -0900
From: "Cherie Tyler" <tyler_cher@hotmail.com>
To: senator_gary_stevens@legis.state.ak.us

VOTE NO. DO NOT ELIMINATE THE LONGEVITY BONUS.

The Alaskan seniors helped create this great state and deserve our support. The people currently receiving the longevity bonus have made plans based on the states promise to pay them. The program will eventual phase out without causing hardship to our seniors.

Murkowski's "it's not fair " rhetoric is ridiculous. Instead of impoverishing the seniors receiving the bonus, we need to find other ways to help those that don't qualify for it. It is exceptionally cruel to threaten the seniors. Murkowski is telling our parents, aunts, uncles and friends they will be homeless, hungry and/or forced out of Alaska by June 30th of this year. Don't let this happen. Vote No.

Concerned VOTING Citizen

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*Senator
Gary Stevens
907 465 3517*

Eva Lyn M. Casey
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907 243 8530

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-administering 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 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 Casey
E. M. Casey

PS: Please delete or defeat SB 117 and HB 118

*Senator
Gary Stevens
907 465 3517*

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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 HOPF
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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E. M. Casey
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Anchorage, AK 99502

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 HB 158, 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.

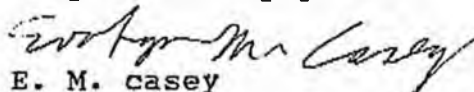
To now, this program has been an outstanding one in terms of the administrative expenses. These expenses are mainly clerical. Beneficiaries qualify themselves each month by returning a small form that is part of the stub with each month's check. Any consideration of making the program "needs" based should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

Addenda, Page 3 follows

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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 elder Alaskans are not interchabgeable 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 respectfull 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 care-givers and families.

Very sincerely



E. M. Casey

cc: See cover sheet

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OPEN LETTER TO:

E. M. Casey
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907 243 8530

March 24, 2003

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

HB 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.

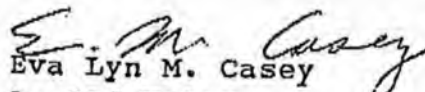
For 2004, after adjusting various fees attached to businesses to make them relevant to the size and economy of the businesses, a better reasoned decision about the amount of the CBR draw for 2004 is needed in order to buy time for you and the Legislature to work together in a cooperative and bipartisan 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,


Eva Lyn M. Casey
An Old Voter

cc; See cover sheet



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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the _____ committee name

committee on Longevity Bonus dated 3/29/03
bill/subject

Our seniors still should be thanked for what they have done to build Alaska and what they are still doing on a reduced scale due to their age. They should not be treated as a drag on our economy but as an important part of the economy of today.

The program has definitely not out lived its usefulness. I do not believe that it would be good for either the senior or the economy to stop the Longevity program before it terminates itself in a very few years. As for the safety net that the Governor is talking about, it does not even apply to or is it usable by the majority of the seniors. It is just a cop out.

Signed: William Plato
Testifier

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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the SSTA
committee name
committee on SB 117 Longevity Bonus, dated 3/29/03
bill/subject

My name is William Plat and my wife and I have been in Alaska for 30 years. We do not believe it would be good to stop the Longevity Bonus for either the seniors or the State of Alaska.

As the Governor says, The Longevity Bonus program was established to thank the pioneer Alaskans and to keep our senior citizen from retiring and moving out of the state and to help the economy. The Governor says the program has out lived its usefulness.

I say the Governor is selling our seniors short by a long way. The longevity bonus checks are a small amount of the money the seniors need to live but a very important part as they could not live on it alone. So where does the rest of the money come from that they spend here in Alaska? Most of it comes from outside the state in the form of Social Security checks, disability checks, V.A checks and a multitude of other income mostly in small amounts but enough to make it possible to live here where cost of living is higher but it boosts our economy by that much.

Signed: William Plat
Testifier

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3/28/03

SSTA

all this testimony was
faked during hearing
on SB 117.

Charlene
Homer 410



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the SSA
 committee name
 committee on Senate Bill #117, dated 3-27-03
 bill/subject

*I absolutely oppose State of Alaska
 taking away the Longevity Bonus
 from our Seniors.*

Signed: Vada L. Moore
 Testifier Vada L. Moore

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3/27/03
Senate State Affairs

SENATOR STEVENS:

**I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS MY FEELINGS ON
THE LONGIVITY BONUS BILL #117.**

**I KNOW IT WILL BE A BIG LOSS TO A MAJORITY
OF SENIORS.
THE LONGIVITY BONUS IS NOW BEING PHASED
OUT. WE ARE LOOSING OUR RECEIPIENTS
VERY QUICKLY. I WAS CONCERENED SO I
CHECKED THE OBITUARIES IN THE
ANCHORAGE PAPER FOR THREE DAYS AND
FOUND THAT WE HAD LOST TWENTY TWO
THAT WOULD BE ELIGIBLE . THAT WOULD BE
\$66,000 FOR JUST THE THREE DAY LOSS. IT
WOULD BE HARD TO FORCAST THE FUTURE
BUT I FEEL THIS COST WOULD BE ELIMINATED
IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE.**

**MOST OF THE SENIORS RECEIVING THIS
BONUS ARE THE ONES THAT HELPED BUILD
ALASKA.**

**I DO APPRECIATE WHAT THE STATE HAS DONE
FOR MY HUSBAND AND ME. THAT IS WHY WE
ARE STILL IN ALASKA. WE HAVE BEEN HERE 45
YEARS.**

THANK YOU

Edna Dick
58775 E. End Rd
Homer, AK 99603



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate State Affairs
 committee name SB117
 committee on Longevity Bonus, dated 3/27/03
 bill/subject

My husband, Robert, and I came to Alaska in 1956, homesteading in Homer area in 1960.

We ask that you vote against SB117. We do not agree with the governor's statement that we have created a two-class society. The courts did that when they opened the program to ~~65~~ everyone 65 with one year of residence. I receive \$150 and was happy to accept it because I was out of control.

I sincerely believe this money circulated thru the hands of someone will be of more benefit to the state, than the same amount spent on one of the dubious programs we have seen over the years.

Signed: Ann Gillas

Testifier

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Alaska State Legislature

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Please enter into the record my testimony to the S S T A
 committee name
 committee on Longevity Bonus dated 3-27-03
 bill/subject

SB 117
 Lived in Homer 37 years and Alaska
 60 years. Raised my family here,
 worked here, retired here and ex-
 pected to spend the rest of my days
 here - until SB 117 raised its ugly
 head. If passed it would open a large
 hole in our budget.
 What's the hurry. The way AK elders
 are popping, the present system will
 be over. Most of bonus money (to Page 2)

Signed: Elwin J. Klopp
 Testifier SELF

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Alaska State Legislature

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committee name

committee on 3-27-03, dated 3-27-03
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*stay in Alaska so what would the effect on AK to lose that money? I strongly advise not passing this bill.
Thank you for listening to me*

Signed: *Elwin Clapp*
Testifier

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Address

Phone No.



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the SSTA
committee name

committee on SB 117 - LONGEVITY PROGRAM dated 3-27-03
bill/subject

I AM A 55 YEAR OLD RESIDENT OF ALASKA. I
AM NOT IN FAVOR OF ABOLISHING THE
LONGEVITY PROGRAM - SB 117

MANY OLDER ALASKANS WHO HAVE PROUDLY
GIVEN YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE TERRITORY
AND STATE NOW MUST DEPEND ON SOME HELP
FROM THE STATE IN RETURN.

I FEEL IT IS SHAMEFUL FOR THE STATE TO
DENY THEM THIS AID AND THUS FORCE THEM INTO
A WELFARE EXISTENCE.

Signed: Kimber Klapp
Testifier

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 27, 2003 *es*
TO: Senate State Affairs
FROM: Elizabeth A. Sarver
Legislative Information Officer

SUBJECT: Testimony for Senate State Affairs Committee Hearing

Please accept the enclosed original of written testimony for the Senate State Affairs committee hearing that was scheduled for 03/27/03.

Copies of this testimony were transmitted by fax on 03/27/03

Thank you.

Enclosures: 9



Alaska State Legislature

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committee on SB 117 Longevity Bonus dated 3/27/03
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I Do NOT SUPPORT SB 117 There are many of us seniors depend on this longevity program for food, utilities, transportation Food, Insurance, medical aid, Pioneer Payment Part and all the needs Elderly persons have.

It will Cost our Children much needed funds to help those in need. Cost The State more money in the long run. Because many of the Elderly worked in days when wages wer low and their Social Security does not pay much. they Cannot work any longer We have given up much to help develop this State and wish to stay in alaska This program helps in this as it is more costly in alaska. I am a 56 year Resident

Signed: Dorris Lee Kopp
Testifier

Representing (Optional)
P.O. Box 7011 Patson, Alaska 99737
Address
907-822-5823
Phone No.



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate State Affairs
committee on SB 117, dated 3/27/03.
bill/subject committee name

Dear Governor Frank Murkowski

I'd like you to rethink your plan of taking the Longevity away from the Senior Citizens This will soon end any way.

Why not take the permanent fund away from everybody you'd be getting a lot more money to run the state. Maybe get the state out of debt

Another thing the foreigners would have to work harder, to make their homes here. This state gives the Foreigner more than you give the Alaskan people that's worked their hole lives

Also think about this I'm against Teaching Foreign Language in our schools. Keep English the top language.

Thank you for your time

Signed: Emilio V. Keaster
Testifier

Representing (Optional)

Address HC 60 Box 3360 Delta Jct. AK. 99737-9333.

Phone No. 907 895-4372



Alaska State Legislature

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When you start cutting the longevity you are hurting the older people. Lots of older people had gone through hard times to make a life in Alaska. We look forward to our checks. You can take permanent fund, and see how many people will stay. The Russia come in here and get the permanent fund, welfare, green card. One family of 18 children plus the parents. Last year that was \$30,815.20. That's more then 2 and lots of other made in a year. And there's coming here. They do nothing to support our country. The older people have been here lat longer. Take the permanent fund. You can do more with it. Lots of people get there ^{divided} and pay bills too.

Signed: Harold A. Marshall
Testifier

Representing (Optional)
HC 60 - Box 3350 Ullatuk, AK
Address
907-895-4912
Phone No.



Alaska State Legislature

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DO NOT PASS THIS BILL, THE PEOPLE ARE MUCH MORE
KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT MONETARY NEEDS THAN A BUNCH OF OVERPAID
POLITICIANS.

Signed:

Leigh B. Dennison

Testifier

SELF

Representing (Optional)

BOX 873 DELTA JCT, ALASKA 99731

Address

907 895 4555

Phone No.



Alaska State Legislature

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The longevity Bonus is very important to us long time residents (50 years in my case) to defray the higher cost of living, medications, etc.

Suddenly discontinuing this income will definitely have a severe impact on our lives.

Please allow this income to continue!

Signed:

Hannelore H. Demmison

Testifier

self

Representing (Optional)

PO Box 873, Delta Jct, AK 99737

Address

(907) 895-4555

Phone No.



Alaska State Legislature

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*Please do not discontinue the bonus.
 It greatly improves the quality of life
 for many people in the State.*

Signed:

[Signature]
Testifier

Representing (Optional)

P.O. Box 165, Delta, AK 99737
Address

(907) 533-1571
Phone No.



Alaska State Legislature

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*Lets keep our ~~old age~~ ^{Longevity} pension
we need it.*

Signed: *Janet E. Robert*
Testifier

Representing (Optional)

Address
Delta Pt.

Phone No. *895-1905*



Alaska State Legislature

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*I don't approve of you taking our
depend away. That is our livelihood.*

Signed:

Edith E. Walker

Testifier

Representing (Optional)

Address

Box 241

Phone No. 907-895-4402



Alaska State Legislature

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LET'S NOT PLAY CAT AND MOUSE
WITH OUR BONUS

Signed:

Rita Buck

Testifier

Representing (Optional)

Address

PX 664 DELTA JC.

Phone No. 907-4580



Alaska State Legislature

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committee name

Committee on SB 117 Eliminate Longevity Bonus, dated

3-27-03

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SB 117

This is to state that I do not believe the Longevity Bonus program should be stopped. There are many seniors now that are living right on the edge, and to stop the bonus now would put them in poverty (including us.) We could no longer live in the state and pay these prices. We seniors are still a "force", and we do not need anymore on our backs, or do we need to be ~~forced~~ lied to. Please leave the program as it is. Thank you.

Signed:

Archie L. Chamberlain

Testifier

Representing (optional)

35465 West Ct, Box 109, Sterling, Alaska 99672

Address

907-262-4193

Phone number



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committee name

Committee on

SB 117

, dated

3-27-03

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To: Senate Hearing on Longevity Bonus

March 25, 2003

Please regard this issue as a disaster to many seniors if this bonus check is taken away from them. There are many of us in the same category older seniors with more health issues, higher medical and prescription drug bills, higher gas, heating oil and electrical prices and at a point in our lives with no chance of earning money to keep up with monthly bills. Also consider that we all spend this money here at home, the money circulates here in Alaska. If cuts need to be made consider cutting from those on the highest scale of incomes and benefits, not those on the lowest income level.

Thanks for your time and support the seniors longevity program as we depend on it.

Fern Chamberlin

Box 109
Sterling, AK 99672

Phone 907-262-4193

Signed:

Fern Chamberlin

Testifier

Representing (optional)

Address

Phone number



Alaska State Legislature

SENATE STATE AFFAIRS
House State Affairs
committee name

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SB 117

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Do not pass this bill, Seniors depend on this income
to pay our high medical, heating and other monthly bills.

Signed:

Testifier

Representing (optional)

Address

Phone number

Alan A. Johnson

P.O. Box 78 SOLDOTNA, AK. 99669

907-262-8731



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SENATE STATE AFFAIRS
House State Affairs
committee name

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With rising costs of medical costs and prescription drugs, as well as heat, electric bill seniors depend on this bonus check to meet our monthly expenses. How will we pay tem without this income that we depend on?

Signed:

Dorothy A. Johnson
Testifier

Representing (optional)

P.O. Box 78 SOLOOTNA AK. 99669

Address

907-262-8731

Phone number



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Do not take

Signed: *Lloyd M. Morris*
Testifier

Representing (optional)

33300 Gaswell Rd
Address

260-2850
Phone number



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House State Affairs

committee name

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Ed Mooring Do not cut

Signed:

Ed Mooring

Testifier

Representing (optional)

33300 Maxwell Rd Soldotna AK 99669

Address

260 7850

Phone number



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committee name

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With rising costs of medical costs and prescription drugs, as well as heat, electric bill seniors depend on this bonus check to meet our monthly expenses. How will we pay tem without this income that we depend on?

Signed: Bonny A. Johnson
Testifier

Representing (optional)	
Address	<u>A.O. Box 78 Soldotna, AK. 99669</u>
Phone number	<u>907-262-8731</u>



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Do not pass this bill, Seniors depend on this income
to pay our high medical, heating and other monthly bills.

Signed:

Alan A. Johnson
Testifier

Representing (optional)

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Address

907-262-8731
Phone number



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I AM A SENIOR CITIZEN. DO NOT PASS HB-158 -
TO ELIMINATE THE LONGEVITY BONUS -

Signed: Leslie L. King (LESLIE L. KING)
Testifier

Representing (optional)

32697th B STERLING Hwy, Sterling, AK 99672
Address

907-262-5625
Phone number



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House State Affairs
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*Please do not eliminate the longevity
Program from our elderly residents
they desperately need it to help with
the cost of living*

Signed:

Summy Ferguson

Testifier

Representing (optional)

P.O. Box 2037

Address

907-262-1642

Phone number



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House State Affairs
committee name

SB117

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THE LONGEVITY BONUS IS VERY IMPORTANT AND NECESSARY FOR MY HUSBAND AND MYSELF TO BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN OUR HOUSEHOLD EXPENSES. We are at POVERTY LEVEL NOW AND WITH OUT THE BONUS WE WOULD ONLY BE RECEIVING \$1449 MONTHLY BETWEEN US. My husband IS 83 yo of AGE - IS ON OXYGEN ALL NIGHT AND A NEBULIZER FOUR TIMES DAILY. I AM 76 AND UNABLE TO WORK DUE TO COMPLICATION OF DIABETES. ANYTHING YOU CAN DO WOULD BE APPRECIATED TO SAVE THE BONUS. WE KNOW A GOOD MANY PEOPLE WHO ARE IN THE SAME FIX WE ARE IN. THANKS FOR YOUR PATIENCE AND CONCERN.

Signed: Mrs. Mary K. Galt Barl W. Mallett
Testifier

Representing (optional)

P.O. Box 797 STERLING, ALASKA 99672
Address

(907) 262-2869
Phone number



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House State Affairs
committee name

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I believe that seniors should be entitled to the longevity checks, because a lot of them count on these checks to live on.

Signed:

Alan F. Jensen III
Testifier

Representing (optional)

39550 Fones + Lane Soldotna, AK 99669
Address

(907) 262-7987
Phone number



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House State Affairs

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*I do not support the termination of the longevity bonus.
Given inflation the funds are an continuing requirement for many.
Would the legislators Reduce their pay as well.*

Signed:

Miriam R. Spalding
Testifier

Representing (optional)

P.O. Box 989, Sterling, AK 99672
Address

(907) 262-3755
Phone number



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committee name

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I strongly oppose the elimination of the Longevity bonus plan. This would make a hardship on the seniors that have come to rely upon this.

How many of the legislators would be willing to give up the same percentage of their income?

Signed:

Mary E. Barker
Testifier

3-20-03

Representing (optional)

PO Box 733 Sterling Alaska
Address

907-262-4132

Phone number



Alaska State Legislature

SENATE STATE AFFAIRS

House State Affairs

committee name

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Can't take the longevity from the
Seniors. The ones who have served
our places for many years, and now we
can't work to supplement our income
you want to cut out what we depend
on. Thank you

Signed:

Mary S. Sapp
Testifier

Representing (optional)

P.O. Box 184 Sterling, AK. 99672
Address

(907) 262-~~8779~~ 9719
Phone number



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Those on social security alone are highly dependant on the longevity bonus. I have seen it and the permanent fund dividend disappearing.

Then perhaps thousands will depend the state doubling the effort of hurting the economy.

Signed:

Lee C. Suggs

Testifier

Representing (optional)

Address

PO Box 684 Sterling AK 99672

907 262 9719

Phone number



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House State Affairs
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PLEASE KEEP THE LONGEVITY BONUS. ³⁻¹⁵⁻⁰³ IT WOULD
MAKE HARDSHIP ON THE SENIOR, THE UTILITIES,
MEDICINE, AND GROCERY HAVE GONE UP.
EVEN THO YOU CAN GET HELP WITH MEDICINE
YOU STILL HAVE A BALANCE TO PICK UP.

Signed:

William J. Bull
Testifier

Representing (optional)

P.O. Box 725 Sterling AK, 99672
Address

907-262-5119

Phone number



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House State Affairs
committee name

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3-15-03

Dear Sirs:

It would make a very big hardship on our lives, since the medicines, groceries, electric & natural gas going so high.

I came up here in 1950 and have made my home in Alaska since then, we struggle back then to make this a better state, it is. Please keep the Longevity Bonus.

Signed: Makine S. Bullington
Testifier

Representing (optional)

P.O. Box 725 Sterling AK 99672
Address

907-262-5119
Phone number



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House State Affairs
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*You have taken the steps to eliminate the
Program and it is phasing out due to attrition.
More of us use this income to pay for the
necessities of life. It has helped many of us
attain an acceptable standard of living.
I hope you will reconsider this move.*

Signed: Ernestine L. Alexander
Testifier

Representing (optional)
PO Box 527 Sterling, AK 99670
Address
907-262-5157
Phone number



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House State Affairs

committee name

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I am 85 years old - Widow for 15 years - my husband of 50 years and I settled in Sterling in 1970, over 32 years ago. We have been proud and happy in helping and seeing the community of Sterling develop into a beautiful place to live year around.

I would like express my feeling in wanting everything possible done to prevent anything or anybody from disturbing the present way set up for the elderly people who want to live here the rest of their lives.

My sincere appreciation for the needed help (Gov. medical, doctor bills, etc.) the longevity program has been to me.

Signed:

Mrs. Luella P. Barker

Testifier

Representing (optional)

P.O. Box 723 Sterling, AK 99672

Address

(907) 262-7782

Phone number



Alaska State Legislature

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House State Affairs
committee name

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Please do NOT Eliminate the Longevity
Program from or Elderly Residents who
would make them move out of Alaska

Signed:

Michael G Barker Michael D Barker
Testifier

Representing (optional)

PO Box 643 Sterling Alaska 99677
Address

262 2884 262 9412 wlk
Phone number



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House State Affairs

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Keep the bonus, we are
dying real fast, and need the
help just to survive.

Signed:

Margaret L. Schadle

Testifier

Representing (optional)

316680 N Kimberly Ct.
Soldotna AK

Address

907-262-6318

Phone number



Alaska State Legislature

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House State Affairs

committee name

SB117

Committee on HB 158 Eliminate Longevity Bonus, dated

bill # / subject

March 24, 2003

Mr. Mike Chenault:

As our representative I'm asking you to really look seriously at taking our longevity check. I'm 75 years old and unable to work. I'm seperated from my husband who contributes nothing to my living as he is on a very low fixed income also. How Come it is always pick on the poor to do the cutting. I pay my rent with that check and live on \$228.00 SS Check. How about the Government live like we have, lets cut them down to our size. I have lived here 34yrs and spend all I get in Alaska.

I hope you take a good look at the Problem.

Laura Steger/

Signed:

Laura B. Steger

Testifier

Longevity Program

Representing (optional)

Po Box 464 Sterling AK. 99672

Address

907-262-8806

Phone number



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House State Affairs
committee name

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The seniors are the ones who live and put their money in the state, some rely on this just to exist

Signed: Edgar Plain Schade
Testifier

Representing (optional)

36680 N. Kinvelly (S. Soldana, AK 99665)
Address

907 262-6318
Phone number



Alaska State Legislature

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House State Affairs
committee name

Committee on SB 117
HB 158 Eliminate Longevity Bonus, dated _____
bill # / subject

*Please don't take the Longevity Bonus
from the senior Alaskans. Many
depend on it to survive*

Signed: Harriette Turcott
Testifier

Representing (optional)

P.O. Box 687
Address

262-3761
Phone number



Alaska State Legislature

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Please enter into the record my testimony to the

House State Affairs

Committee name

SB.117

Committee on HB 158 Eliminate Longevity Bonus, dated

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I am in favor of the Longevity Bonus.

Signed:

[Handwritten Signature]

Testifier

Representing (optional)

P.O. Box 4336

~~Kenai~~

Soldotna

99669

Address

283-1450

Phone number



Alaska State Legislature

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Please enter into the record my testimony to the

House State Affairs
committee name

Committee on SB117 HB 158 Eliminate Longevity Bonus, dated
bill # / subject

I believe that as a state we made a promise to our seniors who currently qualify for the longevity bonus and should honor it. However in life do decent people expect to make commitments implied verbally or otherwise and then change our minds and get to keep our respect and trust.

Signed:

[Signature]
Title

Representing (optional)

Address

P.O. Box 545 Seward AK 99572

Phone number

202-9638



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate State Affairs
committee name

Committee on SB 117 / Eliminating the Longevity Bonus Program Date, March 27, 2003
bill # / subject

I would like to go on the record in OPPOSITION to SB 117.

I am a 50 plus year resident of Alaska that will never benefit from the Longevity Bonus Program. I know a few people that do qualify, but unfortunately for Alaska, they are becoming less in number with the passing of every year.

Governor Murkowski could have chosen to let our honored seniors (and the Longevity Bonus Program) "go silently into the night". Instead Governor Murkowski is showing favor to the bureaucrats, his corporate supporters, and others at the money trough, who in many cases contributed NOTHING toward opening up Alaska as America's last frontier.

SB 117 may provide a short term fix to the over spending problem created and perpetuated by the legislature and administration. It will not amount to a hill of beans in a few short years if the real fiscal problem is not addressed. There is not enough personal wealth in Alaska to completely replace the lost revenue as the north slope oil fields continue their inevitable production decline.

SB 117 will offset a small amount of the lost oil revenues, but puts financial hardship directly on the backs of Alaskan Pioneers, many of which are on a fixed income. Shame on Governor Murkowski for even proposing such a cruel and inconsiderate measure in the first place, and shame on anyone who votes to support it.

Vote NO on SB 117, because it's the right thing to do!

Thank you.

Signed: Mike McBride
Testifier

Self
Representing (optional)

PO Box 6; Kenai, Alaska; 99611-0006

Address

907/776-5444

Phone number



Alaska State Legislature

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committee name

Committee on SB 117 Eliminate Longevity Bonus, dated 3-27-03
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I, Havene Manka depend on my \$200.00 a mo. Longevity Bonus to pay for medical and monthly payments.

I've been in Alaska since 1960. I think this was abused when people came up for only one year and got it.

Signed: Havene Manka
Testifier

Representing (optional)

135 Amargill St. Seldotna, Ak, 99669
Address

907 262-9302
Phone number



Alaska State Legislature

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committee name

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I feel I need this \$250.00 as my Social Security is not very big so this small amount helps - and I'm not able to work as young enough to find a job to make it go

Florence Trunger

Signed: *Florence Trunger*
Testifier

Representing (optional)

307 Hutton St. Kenai AK
Address

283-5884
Phone number



Alaska State Legislature

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committee name

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I need to enjoy my 250.00 A month
and I do not want it taken
away. I feel I have earned
it, with the time of hard
times in Alaska in the early
days. Having lived here since
1946, I feel I have earned
it — Please leave it as
is

Signed: Armen G. M. Deskevorkian
Testifier

Representing (optional)

220 East Beluga, Soldotna Alaska
Address 99669

907.262.4034
Phone number



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the

Senate State Affairs
committee name

Committee on

167

bill # / subject

, dated

3-27-03

public hearing date

Thank you Chairman Stevens and Senate State Affairs Committee for the opportunity to address you on "An Act Eliminating the Longevity Bonus Program". I would like to start by observing that the Commissioner of Administration's testimony on the issue was pure tailings up the stack and into the pond. Utter transparency in the Administration's effort to cut out the expenditure. His statement that the original intent of the Legislature is no longer valid, is perhaps partially correct. My question on that point; how many of the 18,000 seniors currently receiving the bonus were present during the years prior to Statehood in 1959? I am one and acquainted with many others throughout the State. Secondly, his statement that on elimination of the program the State will provide welfare benefits for some of us on a "needs basis" is an insult. Should the program be eliminating, Delores and I would have to seriously consider moving to a more cost effective location.

It is apparent that the Governor and his proponents on the issue consider the Alaskan seniors as a "sin tax", an easy hit to implement their budgetary goals, similar to the tobacco products, alcoholic beverages and games of skill and chance that are frequent targets. Contrarily, I believe we are deserving of the bonus and continue to be as approved by the legislature back in 1972. My financial situation, similar to many receiving the bonus, is simply that its elimination will reduce annual incomes from 10% to 30%. Additionally, it's my guess that those recipients in outlying areas will be affected to an even greater degree.

I do not support this measure and strongly suggest you resolve the subsistence issue should you approve it.

The State Administrations policy ref: the L.B.P. is not unlike the Veterans Administration's policy regarding Veterans' Benefits. To partially offset the savings achieved by the elimination of this program I suggest the following: an income tax on nonresidents of the State. These "pilgrims" work in Alaska, make no contributions to our economy, but rather take and spend their earnings outside. Their tax payments are made to the state of residence rather than to Alaska.

Sincerely,
Bob Harrison
PO Box 7414
Nikiski, AK 99635
776-5339



Alaska State Legislature

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committee name

Committee on SB 117 Eliminate Longevity Bonus, dated 3-27-03
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Please accept following page as written
testimony for Mr. C.R. Morrison Jr.

Thank you

Signed: _____

Testifier

Representing (optional)

Address

Phone number

35671 Kenai Spur Hwy
Soldotna, AK 99669
March 27, 2003

Alaska State Legislature
'Longevity Bonus Plan'

To Whom Concerned:

I feel that to discontinue this plan would be a great mistake. For many elderly people, this would be a financial hardship. I also feel this would create a much larger drain on the 'States Medical Assistance' funds.

In the last couple years the financial cost of this program, through natural attrition, has declined appreciably. So, why place an additional hardship on people by eliminating a program that will soon discontinue through natural attrition?

Respectfully Yours,



C. R. Morrison Jr.



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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the SSTA
committee name

Committee on SB 117, dated 3/27/03
bill # / subject

I strongly oppose passage of SB117. This Longevity Bonus Program is well needed by those of us least able to support ourselves because of age and ability to work and care for ourselves. This program is going to sunset out. I believe other areas in state spending can be cut, such as over spending in the size of government and grants that might be cut and unneeded. The Longevity Bonus is needed by those who receive it.

I am over 71 years old and get \$100 per month. I have been a resident since 1957, before statehood. I believe the state would need to increase welfare for those if this program is discontinued. The savings for the state, I believe, would be minimal. I believe there would do more than good when everything is said and done. Obituaries are daily and inform us of reducing the cost of this program.

Thank you.

Signed: *Edward M. ...*
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To cut this program or reduce the amount at this time is just another TAX to a select group! It is not needed. The program is self limiting, We old-timers will soon be dead and gone!

If you want to save the state money than do as any large company or coporation does;; Use a percentage cut i.e. ALL DEPARTMENTS CUT.. At lest 10 % each year until the out-go and in-flow are equal.

There is NO department that cannot re-adjust.. There are NO SACRED COWS.

Signed: R.W. BOGARD

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If I am denied the Longevity as proposed, I would have to leave the State of Alaska because it will cause a financial hardship.

I'm disabled and being taken care of by my son. A nurse comes in ~~once~~ a week to assist me, I have to pay for this service. My income is such that I am on the fringe for any medicare benefits and would be denied. This proposal has caused me so much stress that I cannot sleep.

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Bonus furor

Plan to eliminate Longevity Bonus raises questions, ire

By **DAVID WASHBURN**
Senior Voice

Jim Kohn says he remembers very clearly standing before several hundred seniors in Valdez at a Pioneers of Alaska convention in the early 1990s. Kohn was head of the Longevity Bonus program and he was discussing the phase-out plan Gov. Walter Hickel was pushing through at the time.

One lady in the audience grilled him particularly hard about the phase-out, saying she feared it was just the first step toward a total elimination of the Bonus.

"She was very concerned that the legislature could at any time in the future change their mind," he recalls.

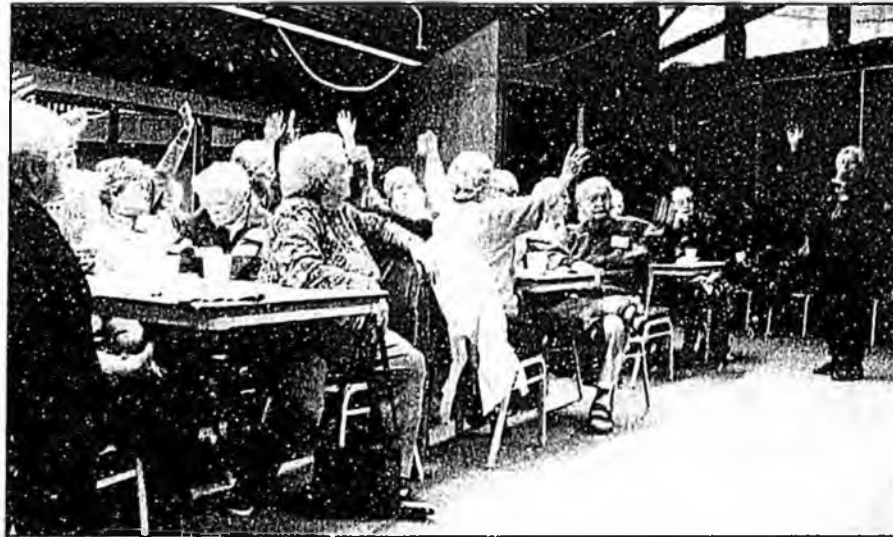
In February, Kohn retired from the post he held for 10 years as head of the Division of Alaska Longevity Programs. Talking by phone from his home, he said he remembers telling the woman that it was true that a future legislature could decide to eliminate the Bonus program, that the legislature at that time could not legally bind a future legislature from doing so.

Most people understood there was no complete guarantee, but there was also no shortage of reassuring rhetoric, he says. "There was no absolute promise made, but there were many legislators who said at the time that they felt this would be their final word (on the Bonus)."

It wasn't. In a speech outlining his fiscal budget and investment plan on March 5, Gov. Frank Murkowski shocked many around the state when he said his plan includes the elimination of the Longevity Bonus.

The program has "outlived its usefulness," Murkowski said, and by cutting it, the state could save \$47 million next year.

"Elimination of this program will allow state funds to be redirected to primary services of education, public safety and safe transportation systems—services that benefit seniors as well as other Alaskans," Murkowski said. He added, "We will not abandon our seniors. We have sufficient safety nets through other programs that



Amy Hartley/Senior Voice

During an AARP chapter meeting March 17 at the Anchorage Senior Center, Chapter President Peg Stout, right, asked attendees who volunteer in their community to raise their hands. Arms shot up across the room and Stout said, "Sometimes people just think about how much we take. Maybe they could think about how much we are giving, too." More than 100 people turned out for the meeting, firing questions and comments at a Murkowski staff member over the governor's proposal to eliminate the Longevity Bonus.

I intend to maintain. We will protect people in need."

The Bonus elimination is contained in House Bill 158 and companion Senate Bill 117, and legislators are giving the bills serious consideration.

Speaking out

Outcry over Murkowski's proposal was immediate and loud. Senior centers and other se-

nior service agencies warned that without their monthly bonus check of \$250, \$200, \$150 or \$100 (depending on when they entered the program), many older Alaskans will face serious hardships.

"I've had numerous calls ever since it was publicized, and a lot of people are very concerned, particularly the low-income and those who are in long-term care," said Peggy Burgin, a member of

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No stranger to Alaska, or serving seniors

It is my pleasure to be serving as the new executive director of OPAG. I am eager to use my skills and knowledge of non-profit administration to help foster the growth and development of this long-standing senior advocacy agency. I think the future success of this agency will depend upon the teamwork and cooperation of all concerned Board members, staff, and volunteers. While we advocate on behalf of seniors, continue to publish the awarding winning Senior Voice, as well as the Directory for Older Alaskans, a guide to senior services throughout Alaska.

I am not a stranger to Alaska. My wife, Dawnia, and I have lived in Anchorage for the past 23 years. Two of the youngest of our three children graduated from Service



Ray Clements

High School. Over the years I have had the opportunity to visit and work with many Alaskans throughout our state in such places as Bethel, Dillingham, English Bay, Port Graham, Wainwright, Barrow, Anaktuvuk Pass, Anchor Point, Seldovia, Soldotna, Kenai, Homer, Nuiqsut, Beaver, Upper Kulskag,

Savoonga, Emmonak, Sitka, Juneau and Fairbanks.

More importantly, I have a clear and growing understanding of the health, social, and economic needs of seniors. My mother, Emily, as of April 2, 2003, is 95 years young. She has lived at Chugiak View Apartments for 17 years, and more recently has been a resident of Providence Horizon House, where she enjoys the wonderful cheerful surroundings and helpful staff in this very fine assisted living facility.

Over the past 22 years, I have been a volunteer for the National Senior Service Corps, Foster Grandparent and Senior Companion Programs, while my wife, Dawnia Clements, has served as its State wide executive director.

My mission is to help protect and

enhance the welfare of seniors throughout the State of Alaska, and to help promote and sustain their quality of life in their later years. Working together with other senior service agencies and groups, such as the Senior Advocacy Coalition, we will keep Alaska aware of the great resource it has in its older population and the issues they face while aging in our great state.

My door at OPAG is always open. Stop by and see me, or e-mail, call, write, or fax. Our Anchorage address is 325 E. Third Ave., Ste. 300; phone 276-1059 or (toll free) 800-478-1059; e-mail execdiropag@gci.net. Our Web site is at www.opagak.org.

Stay healthy and young in spirit!

Ray Clements, PhD

Older Persons Action Group

Executive Director

Study graded Alaska's end-of-life care unfairly

The December 2002 issue of the Senior Voice had an article entitled, "State flunks on End-of-life care," based on a nation wide survey. After reviewing the November 2002 study, we believe that Alaska was not fairly scored on several items. This study is called *Means to a Better End: A Report on Dying in America Today*. The survey, conducted by the end-of-life care advocacy organization Last Acts, gave Alaska the lowest possible grade of "E" on five measures.

We believe Alaska is addressing the issues of end-of-life care – just not the way the Lower 48 does. Let's review the measures used to grade Alaska and clarify how we do it in Alaska.

throughout the state are required to offer living wills and durable power of attorneys. Chief Andrew Isaac Health Center (CAIHC) has a program for offering assistance with any of these advance directives forms. Alaska Legal Services is also available to provide forms. CAIHC physicians also have the Comfort One Program for anyone who is terminally ill.

The second "E" measure is for Hospice use in Alaska. According to Last Acts, only 5 percent of people over 65 who died in Alaska used Hospice in the last year of life. Last Acts only used Medicare-certified Hospice services in their study. The state of Alaska has ten (10) Hospice

programs, 6 percent have Hospice programs and 18 percent have palliative care programs. These percentages are based on the 16 hospitals in Alaska. It is a Joint Commission Accreditation for Hospital Organization (JCAHO) requirement for pain control scales in all hospitals. CAIHC has pain scales in use for visits to the clinic.

The fourth "E" measure is for state pain policies. Last Acts says Alaska's pain policies create barriers to good pain management. Fairbanks Memorial Hospital, Denali Center and

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The Last Acts study is obviously needed to support the issues surrounding end-of-life. We do acknowledge that there is lots of room for improvement in Alaska on end-of-life issues. It is most unfortunate that the surveyors for this study did not more accurately give a true picture of life and death in Alaska.

Charlotte M. Davis, RN PHN,
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Rural Home Care program

Editor's note: We were not able to print this article in its entirety due to space constraints. We will print the rest in a follow-up in next month's issue.

Bonus: Plan to eliminate program draws outcry

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the Alaska Commission on Aging. Burgin and others from around the state commented on the Bonus proposal during a Commission on Aging legislative teleconference March 11.

"One gentleman told me that he and his wife each receive \$250 a month, so for them it will be a \$500 reduction in their monthly budget," said Denise Daniello, executive director of the North Star Council on Aging in Fairbanks. "His wife is on a lot of different types of prescription drugs, so without that \$500 they are going to have to make some crucial decisions with respect to medicine versus food. A lot of seniors in Fairbanks are very concerned."

And many around the state are very mad.

"Seniors met in the lunchroom here yesterday," said a woman from Cordova during the teleconference. "They circulated a petition to impeach Murkowski."

A broad array of organizations, from the Tanana Chiefs Conference to the Alaska Public Interest Research Group to retired teachers and Pioneers' Homes resident organizations are voicing concern — or outrage — over Murkowski's proposal.

"We've made a concerted effort to have our membership send public opinion messages, faxes, personal letters and telephone calls to legislators," said Robert Huffman, chairman of the Pioneers of Alaska statewide Grand Igloo Legislative and Government Affairs committee.

"A lot of these old-timers are helping to pay their way in the Pioneers Home system via the Longevity Bonus. They're using it for medical reasons and pharmaceuticals and it would hurt a lot of them if in fact they pulled the rug out from under the entire program," Huffman said.

The Pioneers of Alaska organization has between 7,000 and 8,000 members statewide, and Huffman estimates 30 to 40 percent of them receive the Bonus.

The Pioneers are coor-

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inating their lobbying efforts with an even larger organization. AARP, which has some 70,000 members statewide.

"This is the first time the Pioneers of Alaska and the AARP have worked together jointly like this," AARP state communications director Ann Secrist said. "We're sharing information, making sure that as we get the word out, they get the word out to the Pioneers." **Unanswered questions**

Shortly after Murkowski's announcement, AARP fired off a press statement challenging the wisdom of the proposal on several fronts.

"We're concerned that, as the Bonus goes to the oldest of older Alaskans, these are the same ones who are likely to use the most pharmaceutical drugs, and are the ones most likely to be widowed older women trying to 'age in place' and stay independent," the statement said. "It would be difficult for people to go back to work at their ages. The Longevity Bonus recipients have received these checks for years and have built it into their monthly budgets."

The statement noted that the proposal comes right on the tail of huge increases in prescription drug prices, and that Alaska has no plan to help deal with these costs.

"Pharmaceutical prices in Alaska rose over 25 percent in 2001 — 25 percent in just one year. This was the highest increase in the entire United States," according to the press statement.

Secrist said it doesn't make sense to propose cutting a benefit like the Bonus when lawmakers know little about the recipients or their needs.

"It's amazing, because the state doesn't even know," she said. "We're suggesting the state study it, find out who is receiving it and what it is being used for."

The program was established in 1972, according to

Murkowski, "as a way to say 'thank you' to pioneer Alaskans who brought us into statehood."

In 1984, the Alaska Supreme Court opened the program to all Alaska residents who were 65 or older at the time. By 1993, the program had 22,741 recipients and the cost to the state was up to \$67 million a year. It was then that the state, under Gov. Hickel, decided to phase the program out. No new members have been added since the end of 1996. The youngest Bonus recipients are more than 70 years old, and enrollment has dropped to a current total of 18,000.

Calls to the Longevity Bonus office were referred to Department of Administration staff, who did not respond in time for the Senior Voice deadline.

Economic repercussions

Murkowski argues that the court ruling that changed the residency requirements effectively killed the Bonus program as it was originally conceived.

"The judiciary eliminated the Longevity program for Alaska's pioneers," he wrote in a letter accompanying his legislation. "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."

Some argue that the state will be shooting itself in the foot, financially, by eliminating the Longevity Bonus. A year 2000 study conducted by the McDowell Group for the Alaska Commission on Aging found that seniors make up one of the largest industries in Alaska, in terms of impact on the state economy through their spending. Furthermore, the researchers concluded that senior spending has a "multiplier effect" — for every dollar of retirement income a senior spends, the report stated, "an estimated \$1 or more of additional economic activity is generated as senior spending is collected and re-spent by other entities in the economy."

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Director Robert Taylor referred to these findings during the recent legislative teleconference, noting that "to take \$47 million out of the pockets of seniors who are spending it at pharmacies, retail stores and grocery stores, has a double negative impact on the economy in Alaska."

Safety net and need

Marie Darlin, of the AARP Capital City Task Force in Juneau, said in written testimony to the legislature that in 1999, there were 6,000 Alaska seniors living on less than \$1,000 per month. Statistically, 8 percent or more of the state's seniors are at or below the poverty line and many more, about 40 percent, have income lower than the HUD low-income limit.

In referring to the "safety net" of public services during his March 5 budget speech, Murkowski mentioned Adult Public Assistance. However, others have pointed out that this welfare program will not help make up for lost Longevity Bonus checks. Bonus checks currently don't count as income when determining eligibility for Adult Public Assistance, so taking away the checks would have no bearing on someone's eligibility for the welfare benefits.

It also would have little bearing on their eligibility for the Meals on Wheels program, contrary to what some people have suggested.

"The governor and a lot of his staffers have been saying to the seniors that Meals on Wheels will be there for them," said Susan Faith, executive director of the Salvation Army Older Alaskans Program, which runs Meals on Wheels in Anchorage. However, the assertion is inaccurate because eligibility for the home-delivered meal program is based on physical need, not income, Faith said.

While the program serves a very important role, Faith said she can understand why many seniors have been of-

fended by the suggestion they can rely on Meals on Wheels in the absence of Bonus checks. "It antagonizes seniors from the perspective that it attacks their efforts to be independent," she said.

Another idea that offends many seniors is the proposal to make the Bonus a needs-based program.

"We fought that (idea) during the Knowles administration. He introduced it no less than three times during his two terms in office," says Robert Huffman, of Pioneers of Alaska. "To turn it into a needs-based, welfare program ... you lose all the dignity of why it was introduced to begin with. The vast majority of the recipients are in the higher \$250 category, and these tend to be the old-timers for which the program was conceived to begin with. They've never been on welfare in their life. They'd rather do without, even though it would hurt them."

Huffman also said it doesn't make sense for the state to add a new layer of administration to oversee a needs-based program, when the current program is growing smaller each year through attrition.

"In the next two or three years, the program is going to go down between \$5 to \$10 million every year. It's being phased-out. We say, let it die a natural death."



Letters

Survey seniors for proof of the Bonus' true worth

There is no "safety net" that could be in place by June 2003 to protect the oldest, most infirm or neediest of elder Alaskans.

Asking the Longevity Bonus program administration to include a questionnaire with the monthly response form and blue envelope could at least inform the Legislature and the governor whose rug they propose to pull out from under the elders, and how important that rug is to their survival.

When the phase-out law was enacted and became effective, it began reducing the amount paid, depending on the age of applicants, and gave time for those facing aging – time to know what to expect. We relied and rely on those promises.

Imagine if you are part of an elder couple in your late 70s, 80s or older, earned little cash income in your working lives, receive little or no Social Security income, live far from the world of case workers and need some cash to purchase necessities. The Longevity Bonus program has allowed you to preserve some of your Alaskan independence and dignity. Taking \$500 from a couple or \$250 from a single elder may mean them having to forego food or medicine.

For many of us from age 73 in 2004 down to the cutoff group (all over 70 in 2004), the Longevity Bonus program is our bulwark against being obliged by need to surrender independence and control of our lives to regulation by social workers hired by state agencies to administer and monitor such "safety net" programs as Medicaid and welfare, e.g. Adult Public Assistance.

Instead of paying our own way, we will have to ask Medicaid to take over the monthly payment of Part B of Medicare premiums and replace the Medigap insurance most of us have been paying, in addition to picking up the many other costs of care, from prescriptions to supplies such as respirators.

The affluent few among elder Alaskans can opt out of the program simply by not returning the monthly response form and the little blue envelope by which we report presence in Alaska and eligibility. They do not have to die off to leave the program.

Survey participants as to age, level of income and effect on them – what the program means to their lives.

E. Mary Casey
Anchorage

Legislators oppose eliminating the Bonus

When we gathered in Juneau this year, Democratic legislators made protecting Alaska's seniors and elders a high priority. Unfortunately, our new governor, Frank Murkowski, doesn't seem to be on our side.

For one thing, the governor has proposed eliminating the Longevity Bonus starting in July. We are very upset that he would betray a 1994 promise to seniors that Alaska would continue the bonus to those who were already receiving it. Many seniors use Longevity Bonus payments to pay for food, clothing, medicine and other necessities. Cutting off these payments would cause real hardship.

Governor Murkowski added insult to injury by suggesting that seniors hurt by this cut could get relief by applying for welfare. He is apparently unaware that the Longevity Bonus is not counted when determining whether someone is eligible for Adult Public Assistance, so losing the Longevity Bonus will not help you qualify.

Besides, why would Governor Murkowski want to throw Longevity Bonus recipients onto the welfare rolls? We'll fight this bad idea from the Murkovski-Leman administration every step of the way.

On the positive side, we are trying to find ways to lower the cost of prescription drugs. Working with AARP, we are considering two approaches to this problem. One would require prescription drugs to be sold at a reduced price to seniors. We also are considering an approach that would secure voluntary senior discounts from pharmacists.

We also are supporting legislation that would protect Alaskans from unwanted telemarketing calls. Seniors are often targets of flim-flam artists and others who call people at home with a sales pitch. You shouldn't have to suffer these intrusions if you don't want them. These bills would set up a list of people who don't want to be called, and telemarketers would be prohibited from calling people on the list. When they call someone not on the list, they would have to identify themselves as telemarketers.

Issues affecting Alaska's seniors and elders are close to our hearts. That's why we intend to be a strong voice for your interests in Juneau.

Sen. Johnny Ellis, Rep. Ethan Berkowitz, Rep. Sharon Cissna, Rep. Eric Croft, Sen. Bettye Davis, Sen. Kim Elton, Rep. Les Gara, Rep. Max Gruenberg, Sen. Hollis French, Sen. Gretchen Guess, Rep. Reggie Joule, Rep. Beth Kerttula, Sen. Georgianna Lincoln

Editor's note: The Senate version of the Longevity Bonus elimination bill is expected to receive the most legislative attention in the immediate future. The bill is currently in the Senate State Affairs committee. If you would like to contact the senators on this committee and let them know your feelings about the bill, here are their phone numbers and e-mail addresses:

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Mar 26, 2003

To Senate Affairs Committee

I was very disturbed when I heard that the \$250.00 check I received each month was in jeopardy of being discontinued.

I am a ninety year old senior citizen. My husband passed away ten years ago, leaving me with an down syndrome daughter to raise.

I arrived in Alaska Sept. 1969, and I started volunteering right away, and continued until two years ago because my arthritis made it impossible to continue.

I volunteered at the ARC Anchorage since November 1969, worked with the RSVP Volunteers, had a dance for the retarded young people every Friday night for about 30 years, and I received Volunteer of the Year award from the Governor. I feel that I earned that \$250.00.

I really believe that the people in human who are handling the finances, are doing a very poor job when they take a winking \$250.00 a month away from the seniors, and give a big raise to someone who are

planning a very expensive
social trail, something we
can easily do without.

Many of these older people
are depending on these checks
and it will put a hardship on
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Please don't take away our
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Respectfully

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27 March 2003

Senate Affairs Committee,

The Longivity program for the older Alaska residents should not be discontinued. Most of these Pioneers have resided in Alaska for the past fifty years and endured many hardships. They have earned the small return for their efforts with the Longivity bonus. Income is limited for the elderly who have no basis for income necessary to pay their bills. Economic times are a fraction as what is available at the present time ^{due} to alarming increases in wages to State employees who benefit to tremendous health and retirement programs. Comparatively the 250.00 bonus is a mere fraction to the benefits received by retired employees from the public and government agencies as well as to the military retirees.

For practical reasons the Permanent Fund should be eliminated in its entirety. The sum of at least 25% is returned to the government as income taxes. If the Permanent fund would be eliminated the 25% ⁺ of taxable income could be retained by the State and returned to the Alaskans at 100% and the taxed 25% could be returned to the Alaskans in other programs such as health and housing as elderly care. As it is now the recipients of the fund are children, included, spent by the parents, on unnecessary items so it would be better to cancel the fund. Twenty five percent would not revert to the Government as income taxes, and as stated this 25% could be returned to the elderly and those who need it, rather than "throwing it away."

Please give this suggestion some serious thought.

yours, *Michael A. Adams*

Michael A. Adams

P S I have resided in Alaska for fifty years, having served a period of five years in the Aleutian Islands (Attu) in 1945 to 1950 and the remainder in Anchorage. (Note) The 25% is estimated to be the sum returned by those taxpayers in the high income who pay taxes on the permanent fund they

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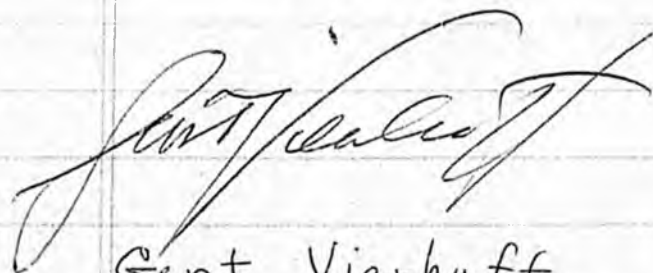
I am a 36 yr resident of Anchorage AK. I am also 80 years old. I lived through the 1964 Anchorage earthquake.

I live off a limited income which includes social security and a small pension.

I depend on my monthly Longevity bonus to help pay for medical expenses. See attach medical prescriptions. They total 221.22 per month.

Please do not discontinue the AK Longevity Bonus. It helps me keep alive.

Thank you. Sincerely yours,



Gert Vierhuff

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CAUTIONS: If you are currently taking aspirin, consult your doctor promptly and ask if you should continue or stop taking aspirin with this medication for your specific condition (e.g., aspirin and clopidogrel may be used in combination after a coronary stent procedure). If you are not currently taking aspirin, consult your doctor before starting aspirin for any medical condition. Check the labels on all your medicines because they may contain pain relievers/fever reducers (NSAIDs such as ibuprofen, naproxen, or aspirin). Ask your pharmacist about the safe use of those products while taking clopidogrel. **BEFORE YOU HAVE ANY MEDICAL OR DENTAL TREATMENTS, EMERGENCY CARE, OR SURGERY**, tell the doctor or dentist you are taking this medicine. **BEFORE YOU BEGIN TAKING ANY NEW MEDICINE**, either prescription or over-the-counter, check with your doctor or pharmacist. Keep all doctor and laboratory appointments while you are using this medicine. **IF YOU BECOME ILL**, including a fever, contact your doctor. **AVOID ANY SPORTS** that expose you to risk of serious injury. **FOR WOMEN: IT IS UNKNOWN IF THIS MEDICINE IS EXCRETED** in breast milk. **DO NOT BREAST-FEED** while taking this medicine.

POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS: SIDE EFFECTS, that may go away during treatment, include diarrhea or indigestion. **CONTACT YOUR DOCTOR IMMEDIATELY** if you experience sudden, severe, persistent headache; change in vision; rash; itching; nosebleeds; excessive bleeding from cuts; bleeding from gums when brushing teeth; increased menstrual bleeding; unexplained vaginal bleeding; unusual bruising; discoloration of urine or stool; black, tarry stools; sore throat or fever; weakness; speech problems; seizures; yellowing of the skin or eyes; or pale skin. If you notice other effects not listed above, contact your doctor, nurse, or pharmacist.

BEFORE USING THIS MEDICINE: Some medicines or medical conditions may interact with this medicine. **ADDITIONAL MONITORING OF YOUR DOSE OR CONDITION** may be needed if you are taking medicines such as ibuprofen or naproxen (NSAIDs), warfarin, heparin, phenytoin, tamoxifen, tolbutamide, tosemide, and fluvastatin. **INFORM YOUR DOCTOR OR PHARMACIST** of all prescription and over-the-counter medicine that you are taking. Inform your doctor of any other medical conditions, allergies, pregnancy, or breast-feeding. **USE OF THIS MEDICINE IS NOT RECOMMENDED** if you have gastrointestinal bleeding or a history of clotting disorders or ulcers. Contact your doctor or pharmacist if you have any questions or concerns about taking this medicine.

OVERDOSE: If overdose is suspected, contact your local poison control center or emergency room, immediately.

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RX: 6607793 Ref # P QTY: 30 DAW: 0 DS: 30
NDC: 63653-1171-06 PLAVIX 75MG TAB BMS
ANSCHUETZ, RICHARD NABP: 0202541

Patient Pay \$111.32

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RPh -SCOTT J SCHNEIDER
ANSCHUETZ, RICHARD
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IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS ABOUT TAKING THE MEDICATION BELOW, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR PHARMACIST OR PHYSICIAN IMMEDIATELY.

Directions : TAKE ONE TABLET BY MOUTH EVERY DAY

LIPITOR 20MG TAB

ATORVASTATIN (a-TORE-va-sta-tin)

COMMON USES: This medicine is an HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor (also known as a "statin") used to lower cholesterol and triglyceride levels in your blood. It may also be used to treat other conditions as determined by your doctor.

HOW TO USE THIS MEDICINE: Follow the directions for using this medicine provided by your doctor. This medicine may be taken on an empty stomach or with food. Try to take this medicine at the same time each day. **AVOID EATING GRAPEFRUIT OR DRINKING GRAPEFRUIT JUICE** while taking this medicine. **STORE THIS MEDICINE** at room temperature between 68 to 77 degrees F (20 to 25 degrees C) in a tightly-closed container, away from heat and light. **IF YOU MISS A DOSE OF THIS MEDICINE,** take it as soon as possible. If it is almost time for your next dose, skip the missed dose and go back to your regular dosing schedule. Do **NOT** take 2 doses at once.

CAUTIONS: FOLLOW THE DIETARY PLAN provided by your doctor. IT MAY TAKE UP TO 2 WEEKS before the full benefits of this medicine takes effect. **IT IS IMPORTANT TO CONTINUE TAKING THIS MEDICINE** even if you feel well. Most people with high cholesterol or triglycerides do not feel sick. **KEEP ALL DOCTOR AND LABORATORY APPOINTMENTS** (e.g., liver function tests, blood cholesterol levels) while you are using this medicine. **THIS DRUG MAY CAUSE DIZZINESS. DO NOT DRIVE, OPERATE MACHINERY, OR DO ANYTHING ELSE THAT COULD BE DANGEROUS** until you know how you react to this medicine. Using this medicine alone, with other medicines, or with alcohol, may lessen your ability to drive or to perform other potentially dangerous tasks. **DAILY USE OF ALCOHOL** may increase your chance for serious side effects. Limit alcoholic beverages. **BEFORE HAVING ANY KIND OF SURGERY,** tell your doctor that you are taking this medicine. **BEFORE YOU BEGIN TAKING ANY NEW MEDICINE,** either prescription or over-the-counter, check with your doctor or pharmacist. **CAUTION IS ADVISED WHEN USING THIS MEDICINE IN THE ELDERLY** because they may be more sensitive to the side effects of the drug. **FOR WOMEN: DO NOT USE THIS MEDICINE** if you are pregnant. **IF YOU SUSPECT THAT YOU COULD BE PREGNANT,** contact your doctor immediately. It is recommended that women of child-bearing age use effective birth control measures while taking this medicine, since it may cause fetal harm. **THIS MEDICINE IS EXCRETED IN BREAST MILK. DO NOT BREAST-FEED** while taking this medicine.

POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS: SIDE EFFECTS that may occur while taking this medicine include dizziness, headache, nausea, diarrhea, constipation, gas, or stomach upset/pain. If it continues or is bothersome, check with your doctor. **THIS MEDICINE MAY INFREQUENTLY** cause muscle damage (which can rarely lead to a very serious condition called rhabdomyolysis). Stop taking this drug and tell your doctor immediately if you develop muscle pain, tenderness, or weakness (especially with fever or unusual tiredness). **CHECK WITH YOUR DOCTOR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** if you experience joint pain, chest pain, or swelling in the arms or legs. **CONTACT YOUR DOCTOR IMMEDIATELY** if you experience yellowing eyes and skin, dark urine, change in the amount of urine, vision problems, black stool, or severe stomach pain. **IF YOU EXPERIENCE** difficulty breathing; tightness of chest; swelling of eyelids, face, or lips; or if you develop a rash or hives, tell your doctor immediately. Do not take any more doses of this medicine unless your doctor tells you to do so. If you notice other effects not listed above, contact your doctor, nurse, or pharmacist.

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IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS ABOUT TAKING THE MEDICATION BELOW. PLEASE CONTACT YOUR PHARMACIST OR PHYSICIAN IMMEDIATELY.

Directions : TAKE ONE-HALF TABLET BY MOUTH EVERY DAY

AMARYL 2MG TAB

GLIMEPIRIDE (GLYE-me-pye-ride)

COMMON USES: This medicine is a sulfonylurea used to treat diabetes mellitus (sugar diabetes).

HOW TO USE THIS MEDICINE: Follow the directions for using this medicine provided by your doctor. Take this medicine with breakfast or your first main meal. **STORE THIS MEDICINE** at room temperature in a tightly-closed container, away from heat and light. **IF YOU MISS A DOSE OF THIS MEDICINE**, take it as soon as possible. If it is almost time for your next dose, skip the missed dose and go back to your regular dosing schedule. Do NOT take 2 doses at once.

CAUTIONS: BEFORE YOU BEGIN TAKING ANY NEW MEDICINE, either prescription or over-the-counter, check with your doctor or pharmacist. DO NOT EXCEED THE RECOMMENDED DOSE without checking with your doctor. FOLLOW THE DIETARY PLAN provided by your doctor. THIS MEDICINE MAY CAUSE increased sensitivity to the sun. Avoid exposure to the sun, sunlamps, or tanning booths until you know how you react to this medicine. Use a sunscreen or protective clothing if you must be outside for a prolonged period. DO NOT DRINK ALCOHOL without first discussing it with your doctor. THIS MEDICINE MAY CAUSE hypoglycemia (low blood sugar). Signs of hypoglycemia include an increased heart rate, headache, sweating, tremor, increased hunger, changes in vision, nervousness, or tiredness. Discuss with your doctor or nurse how to handle hypoglycemic reactions. IF YOU PLAN ON BECOMING PREGNANT, discuss with your doctor the benefits and risks of using this medicine during pregnancy. IT IS UNKNOWN IF THIS MEDICINE IS EXCRETED in breast milk. DO NOT BREAST-FEED while taking this medicine.

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OVERDOSE: If overdose is suspected, contact your local poison control center or emergency room immediately. Symptoms of overdose may include lightheadedness, sweating, rapid pulse, tremor, confusion, seizures, and loss of consciousness.

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Patient Pay \$12.36

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Senate State Affairs Committee; SB 117

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Sincerely,
Erin D. McLaughlin

Copies to Senator French & Rep. Berkowitz, Rep. Swenberg
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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

ATTENTION: LONGIVITY BONUS LEGISLATION

MY HUSBAND AND I ARRIVED IN ANCHORAGE, ALASKA DURING THE TERRITORIAL DAYS. WE MOVED TO CHUGIAK AND HELPED BUILD THAT AREA FROM NOTHING TO QUITE A METROPOLIS...

WE ALONG WITH ALL THE OTHER SENIORS AND OLDTIMERS NOT ONLY NEED BUT CERTAINLY DESERVE THAT BONUS.

ALASKANS HAD TO MOVE TO THE LOWER 48 AS SOON AS THEY RETIRED IN ORDER TO SURVIVE .

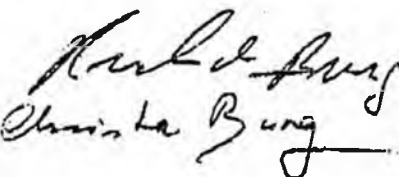
THE BONUS FOR DISBURSEMENT WILL BECOME GRADUALLY LESS FOR OBVIOUS REASON, THE OLDTIMERS ARE PASSING AWAY RAPIDLY.

WE URGE YOU TO HELP THE OLD POPULATION TO RETAIN THIS LONGIVITY BONUS, DO NOT CANCEL THIS BENEFIT, P L E A S E.

SINCERELY,

RICHARD, AGE 81

CHRISTA, AGE 72

Handwritten signatures of Richard and Christa. The signature for Richard is written over the text 'RICHARD, AGE 81' and the signature for Christa is written over the text 'CHRISTA, AGE 72'.

Chauvin
2225 Sunburst
Anchorage 99501

Alaska state legislators

Attention: Longevity Bonus Legislation

To all members of the legislature:

I have to wonder if all cuts in budget have been researched. Please consider this - from a purely dollars' standpoint, disbursement for L.B. will become gradually less, for obvious reasons. On the other hand, payouts to applicants for the PFD will increase, again, for obvious reasons.

What is so fair about an infant receiving some size P.F.D. check as an adult, particularly someone who has contributed decades to living in Alaska?

Administration of the L.B. program has always been very efficient. How will other more "welfare-type" agencies compare?

Program was developed so that retired Alaskans didn't have to leave for the "lower 48" in order to survive. They built businesses, homes and families here.

Thank you
Fran M. Chauvin

TO: Alaska State Legislators

FROM: June Duncan

SUBJECT: Longevity Bonus Legislation

I am a 38-year resident of Alaska and receive a \$100-per-month longevity bonus payment. I do not rely on this stipend for a comfortable livelihood and would not support the continuation of the program for myself. However, I am adamantly opposed to the governor's proposed abolishing of the program for moral, humane, and economic reasons:

First, because seniors in the program constitute a relatively small percentage of Alaska's population they are, therefore, vulnerable to the bullying and discrimination implicit in the governor's draconian proposal. I believe that many senior recipients of the bonus would have to leave the state if the program were abolished. Thus, this proposal seems immoral--in effect, a broken promise and an arrogant power tactic without regard for the human dignity of valuable Alaskan citizens.

Second, the bonus recipients who depend on the bonus for their independence and dignity should not suddenly be reduced to going, hat in hand, to plead for charity from welfare programs. I have many proud senior friends and acquaintances whose contributions to Alaska over the years far exceed the small longevity stipend. The governor's rash, arbitrary, ill-considered proposal undermines and insults the humanity of some of our most valuable, creative citizens.

Third, the Alaskans receiving the bonus have chosen to remain in the state. Their residence constitutes a significant contribution to Alaska's economy. They pay taxes; buy food, clothing, medicine, and services here. Their living here and supporting the economy should surely be a factor in considering the status and future of this program.

Finally, I am a conscientious voter in this state and believe other seniors and their families vote (the implications of the governor's proposal may far exceed the concerns of only senior citizens). I shall continue to watch the actions of our elected officials and urge the legislature to continue their concern and respect for senior citizens.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICE
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facsimile transmittal

To: Alaska State Senate Fax: (907) 465-3517
From: Connie Hanser Date: 3/27/2003
Re: Longevity Bonus Pages: 1 including cover page
CC:

Urgent For Review Please Comment Please Reply Please Recycle

I understand that the elimination of the Longevity Bonus Program is coming up for discussion/vote in the Senate this afternoon. I work with the elder population and I must tell you that many elders will be affected most negatively if this measure passes! There are too many elders already who fall through the cracks and cannot meet eligibility for "other programs," which seems to be Governor Murkowski's answer. I understand the needs for cuts and I also know there are many people receiving the longevity bonus who do not necessarily need it. There are many income-eligible programs out there. Why can't this be another one?

I urge you to take a hard look at this and how it will affect the elders, many of whom already barely make it from month to month.

Thank you for your moral, ethical and compassionate reflection when voting on this measure.

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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION OFFICE

WRITTEN TESTIMONY

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BILL# or SUBJECT: SB 117
COMMITTEE: Loyalty Bonus Grants

Elimination of the bonus would save 77 million.
This won't make up for the current state over-
run at the Ted Stevens' of 186 million.

People receiving the bonus now tend to be
consistent voters.

A school tax and/or income tax are apparently
not being considered.

As a recipient I definitely prefer to keep
the bonus for myself & my wife.



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the S STA
 committee name
 committee on SB 117 dated 3/27/03

27 March 2003

To whom it may concern:

My name is Lorraine Gordon; I reside at Mile 5 on Edgerton Hwy. My Step-Father is 74, and retired. My Mother, who is 73, and he are divorced. She lives alone, and both of their incomes are very limited. Due to the cost of living in rural Alaska, (where they were born and raised) and the fact they are health compromised and both rely on heating oil for heat (since he can't cut wood anymore). They have come to rely upon on the Longevity Bonus to help pay for the essentials like heating, electricity and water. I also have a 100 yr old grandfather who needs it for the same reasons. It would hurt our entire family to loose the Longevity Bonus. Please reconsider your plan to cancel this longevity bonus, and take the funds from another source, like the Orange bike path being built in Anchorage.

Thank you for your time.

Lorraine Gordon

Signed: LORRAINE GORDON

Testifier

Representing (Optional)

mile 5 Edgerton Hwy. Kenny Lake

Address

Phone No.



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the S STA
committee name
committee on SB 117, dated 3/27/03

27 March 2003

To whom it may concern:

My name is Mae Marshall; I am 76 years old. I reside at Mile 110.5 on the Richardson Hwy. I live on social security and the longevity bonus, my health is compromised I don't cut wood for heat. I rely on heating oil for heat. I am a life long Alaskan. I have come to rely upon on the Longevity Bonus to help pay for the things like heating, electricity and water. I realize this is probably of no use, because often you have your minds already made up before it comes to public hearings, but please don't stop the longevity bonus. You should find another way to make cuts in the state spending, not make things hard on Senior citizens. Stopping the longevity bonus would make my living where I was born and raised in rural Alaska even difficult.

Thank you.

Mae Marshall

Mae Marshall
(907) 822-3490

Signed: MAE MARSHALL
Testifier

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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the S STA
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 committee on SB 117 , dated 3/27/03

March 2003

To whom it may concern:

My name is Frank Stickwan; I am 100 years old. I am a life long Alaskan. I reside at Mile 111 on the Richardson Hwy. I live on a fixed income that is rarely adjusted to cost of living where I live in the Copper River region. My health is compromised I don't cut wood for heat. I rely on heating oil for heat. I have come to rely upon on the Longevity Bonus to help pay for the things like heating, electricity and water. I think you people working for us at the state level should find another way to make cuts in the state spending, not make things hard on Senior citizens. Stopping the longevity bonus would make my living where I was born and raised in rural Alaska . difficult.

Thank you.

Frank Stickwan
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Signed: FRANK STICKWAN
 Testifier

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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the 5 STA
 committee name
 committee on SB 117, dated 3/27/03
 bill/subject

25 March 2003

To whom it may concern:

My name is Virginia Pete; I am 73 years old. I reside at Mile 113 on the Richardson Hwy. My Father is 100. I and he live on social security and the longevity bonus and both of us live alone and are health compromised and we both rely on heating oil for heat (since we can't cut wood anymore). We have come to rely upon on the Longevity Bonus to help pay for the essentials like heating, electricity and water. It would hurt my whole family to loose the Longevity Bonus. Please don't stop the longevity bonus.

Thank you.

Virginia Pete

Virginia Pete

Testifier

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY

Following this page is written testimony submitted by Gary Longley, Sr. (PO Box 1051, Nome, AK 99762), for the Senate State Affairs Committee teleconference hearing, re: SB 117, scheduled on Thursday, March 27th.

Please call our office if you have any questions.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Becka Baker".

Becka Baker,
Information Officer

cc: Representative Richard Foster
Senator Donny Olson

My name is Gary Longley, Sr. and I just turned 70 years old. I am among the oldest of the group that was not eligible for the longevity bonus so have no axe to bear on discontinuance of this program.

However, my Mother who turns 92 in July of 2003 and my brother who will turn 66 in May will be adversely affected by losing her longevity bonus. They live in a nursing home in Anchorage and only receive social security and disability payments along with her longevity bonus. If she should lose the bonus, they may not be able to afford living in the nursing home.

It doesn't take a big brain to realize that closing out of the longevity bonus program will be done shortly because these old people are dying off. Attrition will automatically close out the program.

Also please keep in mind that all recipients are now in their seventies, eighties and nineties!!! They are used to receiving the bonus and it is too late for them to adjust to a major economic change. I can only speak on behalf of some of the Eskimo people, but I know that they are a proud people and do not want to be placed on welfare if there is some other alternative.

Governor Murkowski stated that the judiciary eliminated the longevity program for Alaska's Pioneers. What about those Pioneers who still live in Nome, Anchorage and the villages including the Eskimo Pioneers who do not live in Pioneer homes? This program has not outlived its' purpose, it will have outlived its' purpose when all of the recipients have gone to the happy hunting ground!!!



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the SSTA
 committee name
 committee on SB 117 - LONGEVITY PROGRAM dated 3-27-03
 bill/subject

I AM A 55 YEAR OLD RESIDENT OF ALASKA I
 AM NOT IN FAVOR OF ABOLISHING THE
 LONGEVITY PROGRAM - SB 117

MANY OLDER ALASKANS WHO HAVE PROUDLY
 GIVEN YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE TERRITORY
 AND STATE NOW MUST DEPEND ON SOME HELP
 FROM THE STATE IN RETURN

I FEEL IT IS SHAMEFUL FOR THE STATE TO
 DENY THEM THIS AID AND THUS FORCE THEM INTO
 A WELFARE EXISTENCE.

Signed: Cimber Klapp
 Testifier

PIONEERS OF ALASKA
 Representing (Optional)

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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the SSTA
committee name

committee on 3-27-03, dated 3-27-03
bill/subject

*stay in Alaska so what would the effect on AK to lose that money? I strongly advise not passing this bill.
Thank you for listening to me*

Signed: *Elwin Clapp*
Testifier

Representing (Optional)

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Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate State Affairs
 committee name SB117
 committee on Longevity Bonus, dated 3/27/03
 bill/subject

My husband, Robert, and I came to Alaska in 1956, homesteading in Homer area in 1960.

We ask that you vote against SB117. We do not agree with the governor's statement that we have created a two-class society. The courts did that when they opened the program to 65 everyone 65 with one year of residence I receive \$150 and was happy to accept it because was out of control.

We sincerely believe this money circulated thru the hands of seniors will be of more benefit to the state than the same amount spent on one of the dubious programs we have seen over the years

Signed: Ann Hillas
 Testifier

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235-8964
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3/27/03
Senate State Affairs

SENATOR STEVENS:

I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS MY FEELINGS ON THE LONGIVITY BONUS BILL #117.

I KNOW IT WILL BE A BIG LOSS TO A MAJORITY OF SENIORS. THE LONGIVITY BONUS IS NOW BEING PHASED OUT. WE ARE LOOSING OUR RECEIPIENTS VERY QUICKLY. I WAS CONCERENED SQ I CHECKED THE OBITUARIES IN THE ANCHORAGE PAPER FOR THREE DAYS AND FOUND THAT WE HAD LOST TWENTY TWO THAT WOULD BE ELIGIBLE . THAT WOULD BE \$66,000 FOR JUST THE THREE DAY LOSS. IT WOULD BE HARD TO FORCAST THE FUTURE BUT I FEEL THIS COST WOULD BE ELIMINATED IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE.

MOST OF THE SENIORS RECEIVING THIS BONUS ARE THE ONES THAT HELPED BUILD ALASKA.

I DO APPRECIATE WHAT THE STATE HAS DONE FOR MY HUSBAND AND ME. THAT IS WHY WE ARE STILL IN ALASKA. WE HAVE BEEN HERE 45 YEARS.

THANK YOU

Edna Duke
58775 E. End Rd
Homer, AK 99603



Alaska State Legislature

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*I absolutely oppose State of Alaska
 taking away the Longevity Bonus
 from our Seniors.*

Signed: *Vada L. Moore*
 Testifier Vada L. Moore

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Longevity Bonus

I am in opposition to the proposed termination of the L.J.B. Lets be honest, this is a difficult time. Fiscal responsibility is needed, wanted and is necessary. Our governor and law makers are torn between needed budget cuts and the out cry of Alaskans who want their pet programs left alone, so how does one resolve such a dilemma. I suggest that basic, ~~repeat~~ basic human needs and long term costs of the program be priority number one and two in the decision making process.

Please consider these facts and issues.

- (1) L.J.B. will stair step it's way to termination unlike any other current state program.
- (2) L.J.B. decreases by approximately five million dollars per year. What other state program automatically decreases annually.
- (3) The receplicants of the L.J.B. program, our treasured older seniors, the youngest being 72 years of age.

These seniors have been promised the L.J.B.as a reward, note the word reward for their contribution to the development of our state with the promise of monthly bonuses. Seniors arranged their finances so they could stay in the state they love, and in many cases the home they owned for many years.

For the most part these seniors are in no position to make life style changes such as reentering the work force or even worse seeking welfare benefits.

You ask why is it such a big deal to tell these seniors to ask for and apply for welfare or safety net benefits? Well the answer is

simply their dignity, self-respect, and self-determination which is beyond reproach. These old timers built Alaska for us with hard work dedication and self-sacrifice. Forcing these old timers to seek and find a substitute for the L.J.B would be like telling a person to abandon their strongest and most amiable qualities, that of personal responsibility and self sufficiency.

These enduring qualities are deeply imbedded in most of our seniors; they should be honored for maintaining these positive characteristics through life.

Yes it is true that there are some seniors who do not depend on or need the L.J.B. however they donate generously to community non-profit and our Alaskan economy.

Please do not terminate the L.J.B. program based on the fact that there are some seniors who may not need it, or because you could not identify any other state expenditure or program that could be eliminated or reduced in lure of terminating the L.J.B.

Thank You

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Date: 3/27/03Please accept the enclosed original(s) of written testimony for the SSTA
teleconferenced hearing that was scheduled on 3/27/03A copy of this testimony was transmitted to your committee via fax on 3/27/03

SB 117

Thank you.

Tok LIO

Dear Sirs:

I whole heartily oppose HB 158 and SB 117. I went over the plan to compensate for the loss of the Longevity Bonus. Most cases people would be denied over & over, because that's the way the system works. My spouse & I receive \$150⁰⁰ per mo each. That money goes back into the system immediately, for groceries, heating bills, etc. The back up plan Markowski proposes would cost more by the time it was approved, and setting up something like that would bring about a much larger govt. that he promised wouldn't happen. Thank you.

Freeman Lacey Jr.

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Testimony to Senate State Affairs Committee March 26, 2003

Chairman and Committee Members --

My name is Marie Darlin. I am Coordinator of the AARP Capital City Task Force. You have received a letter from the AARP State Office regarding our concern about SB 117, which repeals the Longevity Bonus for Seniors. I wish to add a few additional facts to your deliberations.

The Longevity Bonus is important to many seniors and is phasing itself out. The cost has dropped 13 million in the last four years and will continue to decrease even more each year. Research shows that 12,000 or 2/3 of the 18,000 seniors on the Longevity Bonus are over age 75 that receive the \$250. They are our most elderly, so we know the yearly cost will be declining more rapidly each year. If you don't believe me, read the obituaries in your local papers. In 1999 over 2,000 of the state's seniors were over age 85.

One of the main reasons for the Longevity Bonus was to keep our seniors in Alaska, so they wouldn't have to leave upon retirement. And statistics show they are staying. The Bonus helps them do that. There are reasons you should want them to stay in Alaska.

Governor Murkowski talks a lot about Alaska resources and business. The Alaska SENIORS ARE BOTH. Although they are usually overlooked or ignored when either is mentioned. I want to refer you to the December 2001 study entitled "Issues Affecting the Economic Well-Being of Alaska Seniors" prepared by the McDowell Group for the Alaska Commission on Aging, and also to the Dept of Labor Trends issue of December 2001.

SENIORS ARE A BASIC INDUSTRY. They bring revenue into the state- i.e. retirement pension income, investments and assets, medicare and medical

payments, veterans benefits, Social Security payments, etc.-- that came to a total of 1 billion, 217 million in 1999. Most of it was spent here. If you apply the multiplier of two to this income, this is a 2.4 billion impact on our economy, generating more income than most of the state's leading industries. Thus the 47 million the Governor saves by eliminating the bonus takes 94 million of the Alaska's economy.

The seniors are also an important RESOURCE that gets overlooked most of the time. The McDowell report shows 20,000 seniors over age 50 provide 400,000 hours a month of volunteer time to our communities. This is the equivalent of 2400 full time jobs worth approximately 60 million per year. Many non-profit organizations could not exist without this help. Our municipalities also benefit greatly from these volunteer services. Then we have the senior caregivers who provide an average of 20 days per month of unpaid care to someone. An equivalent of 6300 full time jobs.

In 1999 there were 6,000 Alaska seniors living on less than \$1,000 per month, the poverty level, and the bonus is important to them. It provides about 10% of the income for single seniors. The seniors are an important part of our communities, and critical to many of our families, and they hope to spend the rest of their lives here.

These statistics show how our seniors contribute to our state and I ask you to consider them in your deliberations. I want to thank the Commission on Aging for the McDowell Study, which had been needed for a long time. I urge all legislators to review it.

Thank you for your time.

M. Darlin
Marie Darlin



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Title: Open Letter to Governor Frank Murkowski

Purpose: Submission as part of public testimony on HB 158 and SB 117--in opposition to terminating the Longevity payment program and in support of funding the program for fiscal 2004

BY FAX
To:

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Senator Gary Stevens, Chairman
Senate State Affairs Committee--for Committee
Senator Lyda Green, Co-chair
Senate Finance Committee-- for Committee
Senator Gene Therriault
President of the Senate
Senator Johnny Ellis, Senate Minority Leader

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Representative John Harris, Co-chair
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From: E. M. Casey, 8480 Jewel Lake Rd.,
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Date: March 24, 2003

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explained on page 4 of letter
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PHONE: 907. 465.4925/ Katrina Matheny
DATE: March 26, 2003
RE: SB 117 Testimony
FROM: Ellen Sharpsteen, Petersburg Legislative Information Officer

Hello-

1 page to follow this cover. Public Testimony for SSTA Committee consideration.

Thank you,

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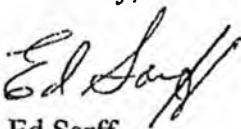
**Pioneers of Alaska, Igloo 26 and Auxiliary 10
PO Box 715
Petersburg, Alaska 99833**

March 28, 2003

To: Chairman Gary Stevens and Members of the Senate State Affairs Committee,
Reference: SB 117

At a regular meeting of The Pioneers of Alaska Igloo 26 and Auxiliary 10, Petersburg, Alaska Wednesday evening March 26, 2003 the members voted vigorously and unanimously to oppose SB 117 legislation to discontinue the Alaska Longevity Bonus.

Sincerely,



Ed Sarff,
Designated Correspondent
For Igloo 26 and Auxiliary 10

Cc: Honorable Frank Murkowski, Governor of the State of Alaska
District A Senator Robin Taylor
District 2 Representative Peggy Wilson



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For Review Please Reply Urgent

Comments:

Please see Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska's (Central Council) Resolution 02-31 titled: "Funding for Alaska Longevity Bonus" sponsored by the Anchorage T&H Community Council.

The Central Council represents over 22,000 tribal members worldwide. This resolution was passed at our annual convention last year in support of full funding of the Alaska Longevity Program for eligible Alaskan's beyond the close date back in 1996.

We would be happy to provide additional information and/or testimony from our organization. Please call 463-7105 if you have any questions. Thank you.

From: Maryana Brown for Direct Phone #: _____
Edward K. Thomas, President

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tlingit and haida indian tribes of alaska
ANDREW P. HOPE BUILDING
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Sixty-Seventh Annual General Assembly
April 17-20, 2002
Juneau, Alaska

Resolution 02 - 31

Title: **FUNDING FOR ALASKA LONGEVITY BONUS**
Sponsored By: Anchorage T&H Community Council

WHEREAS, many of our Tlingit and Haida members living in the State of Alaska are Elderly and depend on the State of Alaska's longevity bonus for a substantial portion of their annual income; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 182 proposes to cut the Longevity Bonus pro rata for Seniors in general if appropriations are insufficient to provide full benefits; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature closed the Longevity Bonus program to new applicants in 1997, which means that they know how much funding is needed to fully fund the program; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 182 is an effort to reduce state expenditures by targeting the Elderly, who have no options to replace their lost income.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sixty-Seventh General Assembly of Central Council, Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska convened in Juneau, Alaska on April 17, 18, 19 and 20, 2002, opposes less than full funding of the Alaska Longevity Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska's opposition be presented to the Alaska State Legislature; and

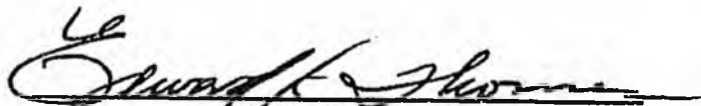
BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Sixty-Seventh General Assembly of Central Council, Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska desires a final resolution to oppose less than full funding of the Alaska Longevity Program.

Resolution 02-31

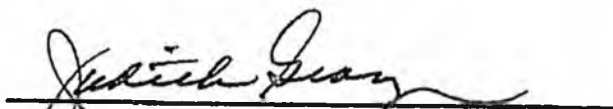
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ADOPTED this 20th day of April 2002 by the General Assembly of the Central Council,
Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska.

CERTIFY


President

ATTEST


Tribal Secretary

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Fairbanks, Alaska

March 31, 2003

Dear Senate State Affairs Committee Members:

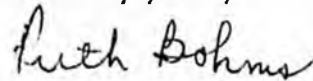
Re: Alaskans opposed to the elimination
or change in the Longevity Bonus Program

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:

Ruth Bohms
Karen Wood
Mary Lou Teel
Marcella Hill
Carol Solli

Glenn Hackney
Irene Peyton
Marian Thomas
Lois Van Hying
Barbara O'Dell

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TO: Our Fairbanks Interior Legislators and other Legislators Statewide

March, 2003

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In addition to the impact of their income, seniors are volunteers and they provide the equivalent of thousands of full-time jobs worth millions of dollars per year to the state. We, the undersigned, urge our legislators to leave the Longevity Bonus Program intact AS IT IS, to ensure dignity and independence for Alaska's seniors, and to enable them to continue to contribute their wisdom, to inspire Alaska's youth, and to lead meaningful and healthy lives.

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Julie Burton	Julie Burton	323 POPLAR FAI AK 99709	Same	FAI AK	479-6830	
Joe Zimmerman	JOE ZIMMERMAN	2055 KIMF	P.O. Box 56113	N. Pole	488-6354	
Elva Zimmerman	ELVA ZIMMERMAN	2055 Kimi St.	P.O. Box 56113	N.P.	488-6354	
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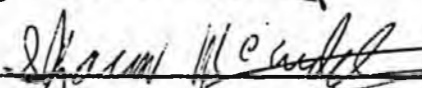
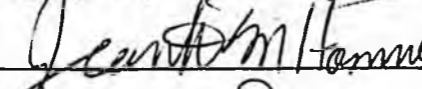
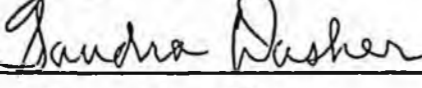
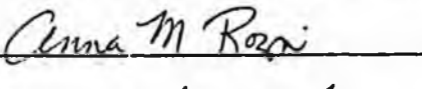
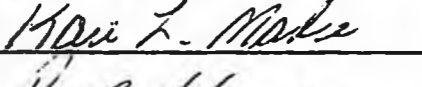
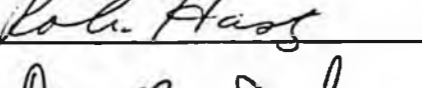
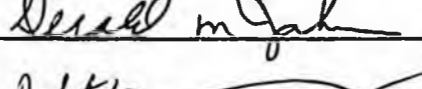

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BANARSI LAL	<i>Banarsi Lal</i>	4532 Dartmouth Dr	same	Fairbanks	479-4781	
ASHA LAL	<i>Asha Lal</i>	" "	same	AK 99709	479-4781	
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GARY SCITKORA	<i>Gary Scitkora</i>	306 Wendell St	Box 75458	Fairbanks 99707	479-0090	

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Ray Barnhardt	Ray Barnhardt	4441 Old Nenana	POB 216	Ester 99725	479-4357	
RAYMAN SMITH	Rayman Smith	1411 HANSWAY		Fbks 99701		
Joyce M Swarthout	Joyce M Swarthout	698 DePaul		Fbks 99707	479-6138	
Tommy Swarthout	Tommy Swarthout	1098 DePaul		Fbks 99709	458-2111	
SA Mills	SAMills	2139 HILTON FBX 99701	SAME	FBX 99701	452-5364	
DAVID G. HIRN	David Hirn	2206 W. STEPHEN CIRCLE NORTH POLE 99705		NORTH POLE 99705	490-2600	
RICHARD McCaffrey	Richard L. McCaffrey	1318 PEGER RD. FAIRBANKS AK 99709	SAME	FAIRBANKS AK. 99709		
Douglas B Colp	Douglas B Colp	1101 Barquette St	SAME	Fairbanks 99701	456-7002	
Marcel S Colp	Marcel S Colp	1101 Barquette	same	Fairbanks 99701	456-7002	

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Monica Gaskins	<i>Monica Gaskins</i>	1244 Sutton Ln	same	Fairbanks	452 8059	
Daniel Osborne	<i>Daniel Osborne</i>	1107 Pika	POB 80807	Fairbanks 99708	479 4535	
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Oliver Backlund	<i>Oliver Backlund</i>	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
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Kathleen Duranceau	Kathleen Duranceau	4014 Fahrenkamp Ave	Same	Fbks, 99709	479-7464	N/A
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Eileen Cummings	Eileen Cummings	1267 Sacramento Ln North Pole AK	Same	North Pole 99705	4889386	
Rita Osborne	Rita Osborne	1107 Pika Rd	PO Box 80807	Fbks 99708	479-4535	
John Woodman	John R. Woodman	330 Woodland	Same	FBK 99712	474-8632	
Priscilla Woodman	Priscilla Woodman	330 Woodland Ave	Same	FBK 99712	474-8632	

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RAY BLANDHORN	<i>Ray Blandhorn</i>		Box 61076	Fairbanks 99706		
CHERYL ROBB	<i>Cheryl Robb</i>	2004 Rickett St		Fairbanks, AK 99701		
Charles G. ...	<i>Charles G. ...</i>	Box 5623		North Pole AK 99705		
Dora ...	<i>Dora ...</i>	2011 3rd Street	P.O. Box 10693	Fairbanks 99710		dora.thorn@alaska.net
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Larry West	<i>Larry West</i>	1277 Dixiehill Dr.	same	Fairbanks 99709	479-3577	L-Vwest@alaska.net
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Ed Fowler	Ed Fowler	Bldg 87 - Apt 3 Slate Dr	SAME	99701	452-2287	
Mark Walsh	Mark Walsh	130 Vassar	P.O. Box 83635	Fairbanks 99708	474-2354	MarkWalsh@hotmail.com
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Wendell Clark	Wendell Clark	2554 micah	North Pole	AK	490-2822	
Bill Vickens	Bill Vickens	25 Clacien	Same	Fairbanks, AK	458-9427	
Alfred Pawling	Alfred Pawling	2404 Tupper St	90 Ave	Fairbanks 99701	497-4390	
Toni J. Stone	Toni J. Stone	1661 Perch Dr.	P.O. Box 80489	Fairbanks 99708	479-5957	
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Teresa Bressle	Teresa Bressle	1355 N. Pole Still Valley Rd	P.O. Box 58632 Fairbanks AK 99711	Fairbanks AK 99711	488-1045	
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JONATH LEE	<i>Jonath Lee</i>	4385 Yukon Ave.	ditto	FBKS 99709	474-6714	
Tim Wallis	<i>Tim Wallis</i>	601 A St	601 A St	FBKS, 99701	452-8705	
Misti Mayo	<i>Misti Mayo</i>	2124 Egan	Same	FBKS, 99701		
SANDEE MAYO	<i>Sandra J Mayo</i>	3094 Hillary #11	Same	FBKS, 99709	474-5315	
Laminu Loney	<i>Laminu Loney</i>	2655 16th Ave	P.O. Box 72302	FBK, 99707	452-3160	
Charles Cummings	<i>Charles Cummings</i>	208 Ridge Loop Rd	Same	99705		
Anita Tomiska	<i>Anita Tomiska</i>	1323 Palov Dr.	North Pole 99705	North Pole AK	488-8343	
Christine Burr	<i>Christine Burr</i>	307 Kody Dr.	413 Noble St	FBKS, AK 99701	488-2293	
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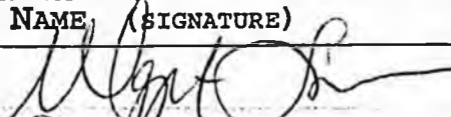
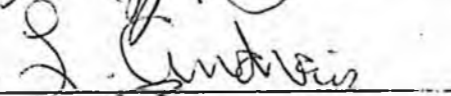

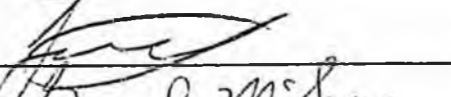
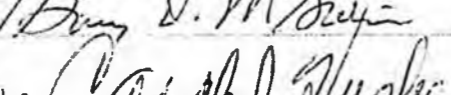
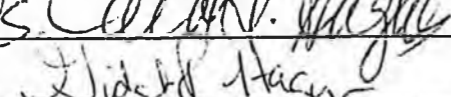
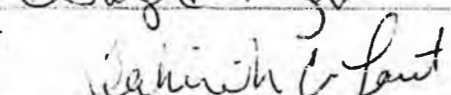
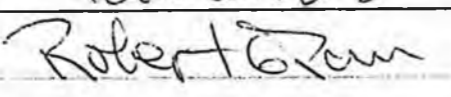
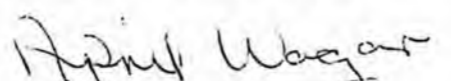

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JOHN-TAYLOR LAWTON		1482 JAMSON LK	PO Box 72948	FBKS 99707	458-9467	LAWTON @ PRIALASKA.NLT
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Robert G Parr		159 Sacia	PO Box 10326	FBKS 99710	474-4283	
April Wagar		3520 Rene Dr. FBKS	3520 Rene Dr. FBKS 99712	FBKS 99712	488-7972	

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PATRICK KERBER	Patrick R. Kerber	11018 SCENIC LOOP	SAME	FAIRBANKS 99709	455-6871	
CYNTHIA BETHUNE	Cynthia R. Bethune	619 HILLCREST	SAME	FBKS 99713	457-7164	
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Louella Huppich	Louella J. Huppich	1661 ASPEN ST		FBKS AK 99709	456-4244	
Fred Huppich	Fred Huppich	"		"	"	
Mary Ann Cortez		1419 LATHROP	same	FBKS 99701	456-7967	
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Lou McElroy	Lou J. McElroy	2628 Kenebec St	1414 Ave 9471			
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Betty Dupree	BETTY DUPEE	BOX 82969		FAI	479-4590	
Glennie Musick	R. Musick	4231 Aspenwood	PO Box 161 Esker	99725	479-5330	
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Jerry Sheeharol	Jerry Sheeharol	1992 Dodge Rd	same	North Pole 99705	488-3789	
Rich Knepp	Rich Knepp	2911 plover Ln	"	Fbks 99709	457-7243	
Patricia Warner	Patricia Warner	5447 Chena Hot Springs Rd.	same	Fbks 99712	488-8830	
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Sandy Early	Jandra L. Early	768 Minors Ct	same FBKS	Fbks 99712	457-3577	—
CYNTHIA COTY	Cynthia Coty	948 BENNETT	P.O. Box 71999	Fbks 99709	457-5833	—
Melissa Downes	Melissa Downes	1034 Summer Rose Dr	same	Fbks AK 99709	452-5196	
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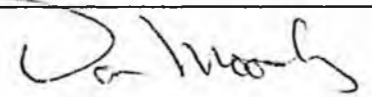
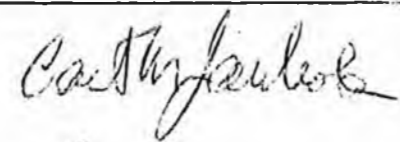
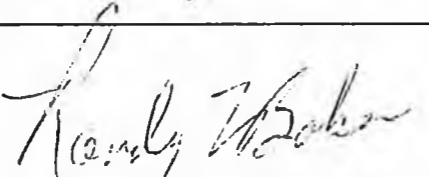


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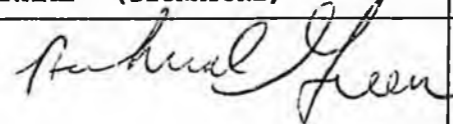

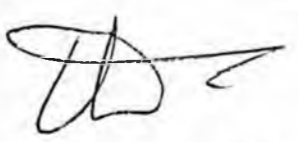
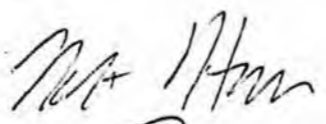
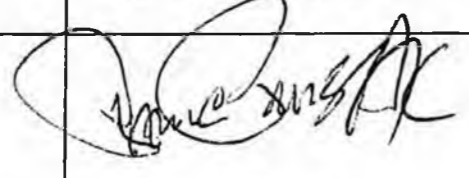
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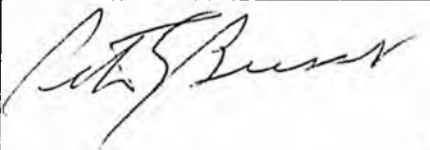
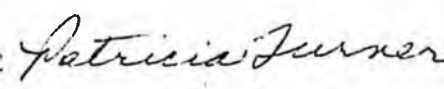
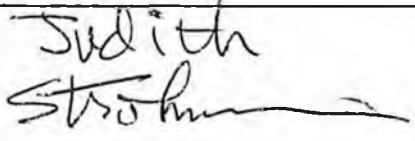
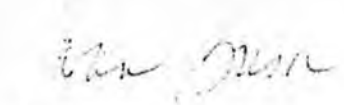

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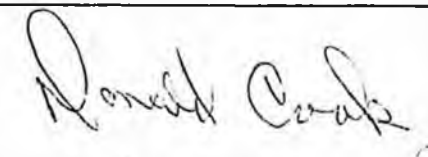
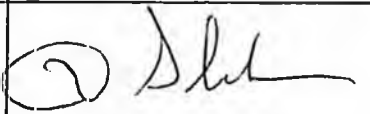
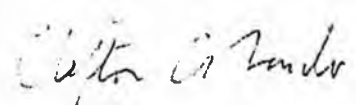
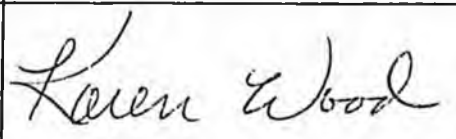
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Trudy Skewis	Trudy Skewis	1628 H. How		Fairbanks	452-3913	
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Keith M Sworts	Keith M Sworts	690 Aspen Hgts		Fairbanks 99707	4573097	
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PEGGY BOOKEY	Peggy Bookey	2534 Norway Bee	55194	N.P.	488-9890	
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Walker L. Paeris ^{SR}	Walker L. Paeris	551 Funk Rd.	551 Funk Rd.	FAIRBANKS ALASKA 99712	488-6296	
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John Peirce	John C Peirce	820 Rifle Rd	same	Fairbanks	488-8692	
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Ken Head	Ken Head	1517 3rd Ave	same	same	same	

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LORETTA BEMIS	Loretta Bemis	1005 Redwood	Fish Lake 99701		455-6202	
Randy Moks	Randy Moks	2174 Newby Ln	NP 99705			
Linda Gardner	Linda Gardner	3387 Dundee Ln	NP 99705	PO Box 55317		
Lorraine Kesterko	Lorraine Kesterko	3116 VFW St. PO Box 56198	PO Box 56198 NP 99705	99705	488-917	
Bonnie Johnson	Bonnie Johnson	2016 Capitol	2016 Capitol	Fairbanks, 99709		
Dave Woodman	Dave Woodman	9150 Northwood Lane	Same	Fairbanks, 99712		
Marlene MaKinney	Marlene MaKinney	3710 Blessing Ave	Same	W. Fairbanks 99705	488-5769	
Judith Snow-Rosander	Judith Snow-Rosander	718 18th	718 18th	Fairbanks 99701	452-2926	

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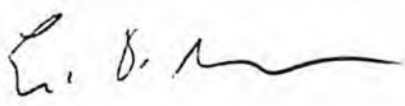

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Phyllis STERN <i>Phyllis Stern</i>	<i>Phyllis Stern</i>	6861 Canaday Rd Salcha 99714	<i>same</i>		488-1664	

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2123 Esquire Dr
Anchorage, AK 99517
March 30, 2003

Senator Gary Stevens
Chairman, Senate State Affairs Committee
State Capitol, Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Chairman Senator Stevens:

We listened, and waited patiently at your hearing on the Longevity Bonus Program, but there were so many seniors across the state who wished to testify, that, your Committee just ran out of time to hear all of the people present. You advised you would reconvene the committee on Thursday, April 3 at 3:30 p.m. We decided, in the interest of time, that we would submit our comments in writing.

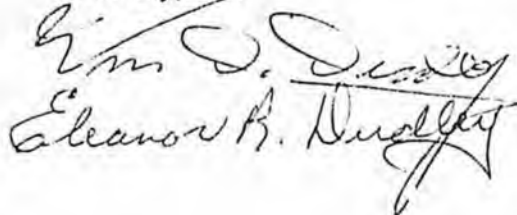
Senator, the original program was a promise made to those Pioneer Seniors, that if they were here prior to Statehood, and worked to help grow our great State, that when they turn 65 years old, they would be paid compensated a certain amount each month for the rest of their lives. We recognize that the program was modified by later legislation, but that in no way alters the promise made, or the debt owed. It is fundamentally unfair and wrong to now eliminate the Longevity Bonus Program that many who met the requirements and now count on, and rely upon, in their retirement years. They wish now to live out their lives in the State they love, and worked hard to help build. Suddenly, they see that it may be eliminated, and their life is shattered.

In our opinion, the State of Alaska, through legislative action, promised those pioneers that met the requirements outlined in the program, they would receive the bonus outlined in the bill. A promise made equals a responsibility of the State of Alaska to keep its word, and honor the promise.

We came to Alaska in 1954. We made Anchorage our home, and raised our family here. Our funds are basically spent in Alaska, and we have paid our taxes and property taxes ever since that date. We have met all the requirements of that original promise by the State of Alaska. Our Governor now is recommending that it be taken away. The legislature made the promise and we are convinced that you will honor that promise. Governor Murkowski may not think much of promise made, but, it was made by the legislature, and that's a responsibility that falls in your area of integrity.

The Governor's desire to eliminate the program can have harmful consequences on Alaska communities. The Longevity Bonus makes it possible for many Alaskans to continue to live in Alaska, where they spend not just Longevity Bonus dollars, but Social Security income, other retirement checks, investment earning and health care insurance dollars. That money ripples through local economies, restaurants, grocery stores, dentist offices and hardware stores. The seniors are a strong part of Alaska. Don't make them lead the charge to correct Alaska's past poor fiscal management. Our seniors are passing on fast enough, without adding this additional stress to these true Pioneers. Thank you, for being interested in our comments.

Sincerely,


Eleanor B. Duggan

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 28, 2003
TO: Senate State Affairs

FROM: Elizabeth A. Sarver *ear*
Legislative Information Officer

SUBJECT: Testimony for Senate State Affairs Committee Hearing

Please accept the enclosed original of written testimony for the Senate State Affairs committee hearing that was scheduled for 03/27/03.

Copies of this testimony were transmitted by fax on 03/28/03

Thank you.

Enclosures: 1



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate State Affairs
committee name
committee on SB 117, dated 3/27/03
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There must be other way to balance the budget other than staffing the Longevity

- #1. Take \$200.00 from each dividend check.
- #2. Keep all air miles State workers collect when traveling around the country.
- #3. Impose a income tax.

Please no 12¢ a gallon gas tax. We do not have bus service on the Richardson Highway.

Take my dividend but please leave my Longevity alone!

Signed:

Wilma M. Steel
Testifier

Representing (Optional)
PO Box 825 Delta, AK

Address
(907) 895-1931

Phone No.



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Signed: Patricia Fleming
Testifier

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376-3452
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Longevity Bonus

I am in opposition to the proposed termination of the L.J.B. Lets be honest, this is a difficult time. Fiscal responsibility is needed, wanted and is necessary. Our governor and law makers are torn between needed budget cuts and the out cry of Alaskans who want their pet programs left alone, so how does one resolve such a dilemma. I suggest that basic, ~~the~~ repeat basic human needs and long term costs of the program be priority number one and two in the decision making process.

Please consider these facts and issues.

- (1) L.J.B. will stair step it's way to termination unlike any other current state program.
- (2) L.J.B. decreases by approximately five million dollars per year. What other state program automatically decreases annually?
- (3) The recepicants of the L.J.B. program, our treasured older seniors, the youngest being 72 years of age.

These seniors have been promised the L.J.B.as a reward, note the word reward for their contribution to the development of our state with the promise of monthly bonuses. Seniors arranged their finances so they could stay in the state they love, and in many cases the home they owned for many years.

For the most part these seniors are in no position to make life style changes such as reentering the work force or even worse seeking welfare benefits.

You ask why is it such a big deal to tell these seniors to ask for and apply for welfare or safety net benefits? Well the answer is

simply their dignity, self-respect, and self-determination which is beyond reproach. These old timers built Alaska for us with hard work dedication and self-sacrifice. Forcing these old timers to seek and find a substitute for the L.J.B would be like telling a person to abandon their strongest and most amiable qualities, that of personal responsibility and self sufficiency.

These enduring qualities are deeply imbedded in most of our seniors; they should be honored for maintaining these positive characteristics through life.

Yes it is true that there are some seniors who do not depend on or need the L.J.B. however they donate generously to community non-profit and our Alaskan economy.

Please do not terminate the L.J.B. program based on the fact that there are some seniors who may not need it, or because you could not identify any other state expenditure or program that could be eliminated or reduced in lure of terminating the L.J.B.

Thank You

**Patricia A. Fleming
900 Selina Lane
Wasilla, Alaska 99654
(907) 376-3452**

2101 W. 29th Ave.
Anchorage, AK 99517
March 25, 2003

Senator Robin Taylor
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801

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Dear Senator Taylor,

This is my testimony
regarding Bill 158, which
proposes to eliminate the
Longevity Bonus.

I moved to Alaska in
1975, and worked at Providence
Hospital, retiring about ten
to twelve years ago. I
intended to spend my re-
maining years here, and
still hope to. Besides
my Social Security, I also
receive a pension from
Providence, about equal
to the Longevity Bonus.
I have managed to buy
a small 1-bedroom Condo,
which is free and clear.

The only way I could approve the elimination of the Longevity Bonus would be in the hope of its being reinstated when the present financial crisis is resolved, which ~~would~~ would seem unlikely, as I will be 84 years old in May -

I guess this boils down to my being opposed to eliminating the Longevity Bonus. I could possibly exist without it, but I'm sure many, if not most, of my Alaskan neighbors could not - I have never received Welfare, and don't want to start at this stage of my life.

Sincerely,

Luella M. Indahl

Phone :

(907) 279-2371



Mrs. Luella M. Indahl
2101 W. 29th Ave. #1
Anchorage, AK 99517-1908

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MARCH 26,2003

DEAR SENATOR ROBIN TAYLOR:

I AM A TRUE , ALASKAN. WORKED AND SPENT MY MONEY IN ALASKA, FOR THE PAST 21, YEARS.

I ADMIT, WE VOTED FOR GOVENOR MURKOWSKI. IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY, HE ' WOULD

NOT TOUCH, THE LONGIVETY,OR OUR PFD,PROGRAMS.

THE LONGIVETY, WILL SOON TAKE CARE OF ITS-SELF. MANY ALASKANS, ARE MY AGE < 75 > OR OLDER AT THIS TIME.

THEY NEED THE MONEY, WITHOUT THIS, MANY WON'T HAVE THE MEANS, TO PAY FOR PRESCRIPTIONS,OR MAYBE FOOD TO EAT.

AT THIS TIME, MY INCOME IS \$544+\$250 ,PER MONTH. MOST OLDER PERSONS, DON'T EVEN HAVE THAT.

I AM MARRIED, AND MY HUSBAND IS ILL. HE HAS COPD, WHICH MEANS UNEXPECTED TRIPS TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM, OR THE HOSPITAL WHEN NECESSARY.

WE EXIST ON WHAT WE HAVE, BUT A LOT OF THE ELDERLY WON'T. PLEASE FIGHT FOR US.

MAYBE SOME DAY SOME ONE WILL GIVE THE AMERICIANS A N IDEA, HOW TO TELL IF A POLITICAIN, IS TRUE TO HIS WORD.

SSINCERELY: *Flora Vienna*

FLORA VIENNA
2904 WEST NORTHERN LIGHTS
ANCHORAGE,AK. 99517

March 25, 2003

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Senator Robin Taylor
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801

Re: Senate Bill 117

A friend too me named Sophocles wrote:

Wise though his plans are,
artful beyond all dreaming.
They carry him both to evil and to good.

If one can't understand the past, one can't know the evil he may do. I worked under Egan and now I know how to balance budgets. It is not on the backs of small business and retired people no longer working.

My salary in those days was \$900 a month. In the seventies that office was five times higher, in the eighties it was seven times higher, and now it is more than ten times higher. As you can see that was a different time and a incredibly more friendly place.

You see here government is the largest industry and when its in trouble people are too. But with the governments salary base it is the government that should take the hit not its people.

Our budget is \$1200 dollars per month which includes one check for \$250 dollars the other \$250 checks goes for insurance, gas, repairs, paint, and sometimes a cigar. You tell me who should take the hit— the over paid or the under paid. The builders surely not, the takers, yes. Thats Governor Egan all over.

Yours,


James C. Merbs



ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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 Committee on SB 117 Committee Name Dated 3-27-03
Bill / Subject

I collected this testimony from the elders on 3-27-03 along with 7 signatures.



SIGNED:

Theresa's Frank

Testifier

Fairbanks Native Assoc Elders Coordinator

Representing

317 Wendell St FBKS, AK 99701

Address / Phone Number

451-7250

3-27-03

I don't think that it would
be nice to cut off the ~~Infinity~~ Bonus
check because they use it for oil & wood
and food in the Villages

I guess all elders think that
in all Villages

~~Thomas Madros~~ - Thomas Madros
Peter Peter
Walter Korman Sr. - "where's mine"
~~Robert Albert~~
David W. John
Gus W. David
Burling Hayton

This was written by the elders at
the Fairbanks Native Association
elders program and was
signed by the elders. 3-27-03



ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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 Committee on SB 11 Dated _____
Committee Name
Bill / Subject

I do not receive the monthly bonus, but I am concerned for the seniors who do receive and rely on their longevity bonus! It seems to me that if this is discontinued we will have seniors suffering, ^{because they do not go to other resources, or} adding to other programs that will still need to be funded by the state. ie: welfare, medical care, meals on wheels. Keep the longevity bonus rather than borrowing "from Peter to pay Paul."

(Age 71 - but program cut off just before I turned 65 lived here 40 years.)

SIGNED:

Keith Jolly Knappman Lynn P. Knappman
 Testifier

Self
 Representing

1280 Gilmore Tr 95712 / 457-6380
 Address / Phone Number



ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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 Committee on SB 117 Committee Name
 Dated 3-27-03
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I am for continuance of the Longevity Bonus. The youngest receiving the bonus is 72. Soon the elder population will be gone.

If this bonus has to cut down on its spending, maybe the people who come in under the "new" rules could be cut. I am one of the new ones and I would give up the bonus to those who really need it.

SIGNED:

Robert J. Allen
 Testifier

322 Fairbanks St
 Representing All Bonus Recivers
Fair. Ak. 99709

Address / Phone Number



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I dont feel they should take our
 longevity, because hard times are
 comming the prices of stoff are
 going up. And our budjet just
 covers for things we really need.

al grant need his longevity
 to help pay bills.

Ruth Age 70 - resident 70 years.
 Al Age 73 resident 73 years

SIGNED:

Ruth Grant - Al Grant
 Testifier

1615 - 27th Ave
 Representing

FBKS AK 99707 - 452-6977
 Address / Phone Number



ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the SB 117
 Committee on LONGEVITY Committee Name
Bill / Subject Dated 3/27/03

I object to this bill as it will cause a real hardship to those seniors who didn't retire with the pensions people have today. These pioneers deserve to be supported to maintaining themselves here in Alaska

SIGNED:

Donna M. Thier
 Testifier

Representing

601 Ditch ST FAIRBANKS 99712
 Address / Phone Number

457-5889



ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate State Affairs
 Committee on SB117 Dated 3-27-03
Committee Name
Bill / Subject

*I object to the elimination of the
 Longevity Bonus for the welfare of
 the seniors in Alaska*

age 83, Alaska resident for 62 years).

SIGNED:

Donald J. Cook
 Testifier

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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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 Committee on SB117 Committee Name Dated 3-27-03
Bill / Subject

*I just want to object to
 the elimination of the
 Longevity Bonus*

*age 89 - resident of Fairbanks
 since 1935 and in
 Alaska all 89 years!*

SIGNED:

Douglas B. Cole

 Testifier

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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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 Committee on SB 117 Committee Name Dated 3-27-03
Bill / Subject

*I object to the elimination of
 the Longevity Bonus for
 Seniors in Alaska*

Age 78 - lived in Alaska 78 years

SIGNED:

Andrew W. Maslovich
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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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 Committee on SB 117 Committed Name Dated 3-27-03
Bill / Subject

*I pay for my rent and I need
 my longevity very badly.*

SIGNED:

Shirley Hensel
 Testifier
Fairview Manor 1F4
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 Committee on SB 117 Dated 3-27-03
Bill / Subject Committee Name

I support the senior citizens
 who are receiving longevity checks
 why? - some of the elders need more
 help

from 1932 always lived in Alaska

SIGNED: ✓ Clarence Joseph
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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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 Committee on SB 117 Dated 3-27-03
Committee Name
Bill / Subject

The Longevity Bonus is a part of my monthly income. It is used for light & heat. I cannot make it without the Longevity Bonus.

I am 73 yrs old, a native Alaskan. I live temporarily in Fairbanks. My home is in Nulato.

SIGNED: Theresa Silas Theresa Silas
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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate State Affairs
Committee Name
 Committee on SB 117 Dated 3. 27-03
Bill / Subject

I rely on the longevity Bonus for special foods because I am disabled PLEASE DON'T CUT ME OFF!

Age 75 - female - native Athabascan

SIGNED:

Margie Brock
 Testifier

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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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 Committee on SB 117 Dated 3-27-03
Committee Name
Bill / Subject

The majority of the recipients receiving the Longevity Bonus - need it. It isn't optional in their budget. It's what I live on plus social security & PFD. It's vital to my livelihood.

I'm a 40 yr. resident. I retired in 1989. My husband passed away the same year. I've been self supporting for many years. Would hate to have to leave Alaska because I not being able to afford to live here - I love Alaska. My heart goes out to all the Seniors.

SIGNED:

Judy Riddle
 Testifier

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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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Committee Name
 Committee on SB 117 Dated 3-27-03
Bill / Subject

We rely on the \$200 our family gets from the Longevity Bonus. It is a major part of our monthly income. Living in the city now it's more expensive. We have to pay for everything. Our monthly income just barely covers now. It will have to be replaced by something.
 I am 72 and my wife Rita is 70. We were born in Menlo. Our only source of income is Social Security.

SIGNED:

Fred Alexander

Testifier

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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the State Affairs Committee
Committee Name
 Committee on SB 117 Longevity Bonus Dated March 27, 2003
Bill / Subject

As president of the Fairbanks Chapter of AARP, I have the opportunity to speak with Longevity Bonus recipients. They acted responsibly in planning for retirement, and in their budgets they included the longevity check. Based on that they made life decisions such as whether to leave the state or stay; whether to stay in their apartments or move to lesser quarters. If SB 117 passes, they will be faced with making the same decisions again. But now, they are 75 years old or older and they are out of the labor market. It just does not seem right!

SIGNED:

S. Clifford Brennan, President
 Testifier

AARP, Fairbanks Chapter
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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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Committee on HB 62 / SB 117
Longevity Bonus

Committee Name

Dated 3/27/03

Bill / Subject

I urge you not to cut the Longevity Bonus. I do work with seniors weekly and know that all the people I work with need this income. Their medical bills are astronomical and they are going up. ^{The} Bonus enables many seniors to age in place, in their own homes, without further assistance. It's a dignity issue. Less of this income will force many to leave Alaska or seek state ~~subsidized~~ subsidized facilities.

SIGNED:

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