

SCR

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SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT
First Committee of Referral

DATE: 5/3/03

FURTHER:

Date of 5-Day Notice: 24 Hour Rule in Effect
 (in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED
 IN TO OFFICE: 5/17/03

State Affairs Committee considered SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13

SCR 13 CANNED SALMON FOR PRISONERS

Encouraging the Department of Corrections to provide canned Alaska pink salmon to inmates of the Alaska prison system.

and recommends:

be replaced with _____ CS _____ (_____)

adopt previous _____ CS _____ (_____)

attached amendment(s)

adopt Letter of Intent by _____ Committee

further referral to _____ Committee

Senate Bill:

same title

new title

House Bill:

same title

technical title

new: SCR # _____

NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Zero	FN#
DOC	5/12/03		✓	1

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Zero	FN#

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

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

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
 Bill Version: SCR 13
 () Publish Date: _____

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: Department of Corrections
 Title: _____ BRU: Administration & Operations
 Component: _____
 Sponsor: _____ Component No.: _____
 Requester: _____

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

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

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

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

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

POSITIONS

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

ANALYSIS: (attach a separate page if necessary)

The Department currently is in the process of examining its menus to assess the feasibility of increasing the use of Alaska salmon products. Regardless of the passage of this resolution, the Department will be negotiating for the use of Alaska salmon products in any future contracts for incarceration of prisoners in Arizona or other private prison or Community Residential Center contracts. The substitution of salmon for another product in each of the 600,000 meals per year would be expected to have no fiscal impact, as the Department would substitute salmon for a meat product of similar cost.

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 Division: Administrative Services Date/Time 5/12/03 2:57 PM
 Approved by: Portia C.K. Parker, Deputy Commissioner Date 5/12/2003
 Agency: Department of Corrections

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SCR 13: Encouraging the Alaska Department of Corrections to provide canned Alaska Pink Salmon to inmates of the Alaska prison system.

Sponsor Statement

This resolution promotes the use of Alaska's surplus canned pink salmon in our Alaska and Arizona prisons. A projected 60 million tall (14.75 oz) cans of pink salmon remain in surplus, with another strong year of pink salmon returns predicted for the 2003 season.

Salmon is a traditional Alaskan food, yet Alaska inmates, particularly those in Arizona, receive little Alaskan salmon in their diet. Canned pink salmon is an inexpensive source of Omega-3, a fatty-acid shown to decrease the risk for heart disease and other ailments. Canned pink salmon inventories are readily available in Alaska and Seattle for shipping to both Alaska and Arizona correctional facilities.

This resolution encourages correctional facilities throughout the state and the Florence Corrections Center in Arizona to serve wild Alaska canned pink salmon to promote inmate health. Increased consumption of canned pink salmon will benefit the state's commercial salmon industry by reducing surplus inventories.

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Port Protection
Rampart
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Ruby
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Shageluk
Skagway
Slana
Sleetmute
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Tazlina
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Tetlin Junction
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Waterfall
Whale Pass
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May 12, 2003

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Senator Gary Stevens
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RE: SCR 13 – Providing Alaska Pink Salmon to Alaska Prisons

Dear Senator Stevens,

United Fishermen of Alaska supports this resolution. We see this as a win-win proposal for Alaska. Fishermen and the communities that depend on them will benefit from a reduced surplus of pink salmon, and these fish are an economical and healthy choice for a balanced diet for those incarcerated. New product developments by Alaska's salmon processors include delicious salmon burgers and patties, ready to eat seasoned fillets with a variety of sauces, and many other innovations besides the canned pinks that we also enjoy.

We encourage your support of SCR 13.

Sincerely,

Jerry McCune
Government Relations

Bob Thorstenson, Jr.
President

Copy: Senator Georgianna Lincoln

MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

Alaska Crab Coalition • Alaska Druggers Association • Alaska Longline Fishermen's Association • Alaska Trollers Association • At-sea Processors Association • Bristol Bay Reserve
Chignik Regional Aquaculture Association • Chignik Seiners Association • Concerned Area "M" Fishermen • Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association • Cordova District Fishermen United
Crab Rationalization and Buyback Group • Douglas Island Pink and Chum • Groundfish Forum • Kenai Peninsula Fishermen's Association • Kodiak Regional Aquaculture Association
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Southeast Alaska Regional Dive Fisheries Association • Southeast Alaska Seiners Association • Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association
United Cook Inlet Drift Association • United Salmon Association • United Southeast Alaska Gillnetters • Western Gull of Alaska Fishermen



Southeast Alaska Seiners

Senator Georgianna Lincoln
State Capitol
Mail stop: 3100
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

May 8, 2003

Dear Senator Lincoln,

This is to inform you that the Southeast Alaska Seiners Association wholeheartedly supports Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 13: "Encouraging the Department of Corrections to provide canned Alaska pink salmon to inmates of the Alaska prison system."

We agree that canned pink salmon is a quality product that would benefit the health of prison inmates. We agree that it is important to Alaska's salmon industry and therefore its coastal communities to reduce the Alaska canned pink salmon inventory. Therefore we support this resolution which would promote the purchase of canned salmon for distribution to Alaska inmates housed both inside and outside the state.

Thank you for your efforts to help our industry.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dan Castle".

Dan Castle
President

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April 29. 2003

Dan Ogg
Representing District 36
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Dear Representative Ogg,

From Late October to early January just past, I was incarcerated mostly at Anchorage Jail. From then until 13 days ago, I was incarcerated at Palmer Correctional Center. At both institutions we were fed tunafish salad sandwiches approximately once per week. We were never fed salmon salad sandwiches. Throughout, only once were we fed salmon, that, a surprisingly decent grilled steak, at Palmer.

All of salmon consumption is one mouthful at a time.

I venture that while lobbying the Federal Govt. to purchase cans of salmon, credibility be enhanced by a record of this states use of canned, or frozen, salmon within its own system.

I hope that this point of information serves, and thank you for the consideration, remaining,

Cordially,

JASKOSKI, JOHN H^P

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May 15, 2003

Senate State Affairs Committee
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SENT BY FACSIMILE TO 907.465.3517

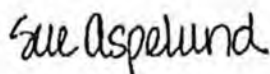
**RE: SUPPORT FOR SCR 13 - Encouraging the Department of Corrections to provide
canned Alaska pink salmon to inmates of the Alaska prison system**

Cordova District Fishermen United (CDFU) represents the hardworking commercial fishing families of Area E—Prince William Sound and the Copper River. We are pleased to inform you of our enthusiastic support for SCR 13.

Wild Alaska salmon, harvested by Alaska's fishing families and processed in our coastal communities, is an excellent product. Pink salmon, our highest volume, most economic species, is healthy and inexpensive. Encouraging the Department of Corrections to utilize this excellent protein source for our prison population is a win/win: we increase the purchase of this product when surpluses exist thereby reducing inventory and we provide a nourishing, Alaskan protein source for those in need of it.

Thank you for your support SCR 13. We believe that its passage will result in improved economics for the salmon industry and the State in the long term and provide excellent food for our prison population.

Sincerely,



Sue Aspelund
Executive Director

cc: Senator Georgianna Lincoln