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Lieutenant Governor Craig E. Campbell

August 14, 2009

The Honorable Linda Menard
State Senate
600 E Railroad Ave, Ste 1
Wasilla, AK 99654

Dear Senator Menard,

I wish to personally thank-you for your support in confirming me as the 12th lieutenant governor for the state of Alaska. I am both humbled and honored by your vote of confidence.

As a former member of the Anchorage Assembly, I very much respect the legislative branch of government and understand the vital role it plays in our democratic process. Please be assured that I am committed to working together with the Legislature to advance the priorities of the Parnell Administration.

I invite you to contact me at any time with questions or concerns, or to simply discuss issues that are important to you. If there is anything I may do to be of assistance, please do not hesitate to call upon me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Craig E. Campbell".

Craig E. Campbell
Lieutenant Governor

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Lieutenant Governor Craig E. Campbell

Lieutenant Governor Craig E. Campbell hails from Longmeadow, Massachusetts. He and his family came to Alaska in 1981, when Craig was a Captain in the United States Air Force. In 1984, he voluntarily left the Air Force to remain in Alaska. Craig is a 1974 graduate of the University of Tulsa, with a degree in Political Science. He earned his Masters Degree in 1981 from Golden Gate University, as well as a second Masters Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the US Naval War College in 1999.

Craig's career has focused on airport planning, aviation environmental studies and airport development. His aviation work includes numerous planning projects and noise studies at airports across Alaska, the Lower 48 and internationally. In addition to his business experience, Craig has dedicated his life to public service. Starting in 1985, when he was elected President of the Eagle River Valley Community Council, followed in 1986 by his election to the Anchorage Assembly, representing the residents of Eagle River/Chugiak/Birchwood, where he served for nine and a half years, with two terms as Chairman of the body. During Craig's time on the Anchorage Assembly, Alaska faced one of the most serious economic downturns in state history. Craig led efforts to restrain government spending and to protect individual liberties. He advocated for lower property taxes, changed the municipal code to provide greater protection to citizens against government use of eminent domain, supported individual rights to bear arms, and focused on reducing government influence over individuals lives. In 2000, Mayor George Wuerch appointed Craig as the Executive Director: Planning, Development, and Public Works for the Municipality of Anchorage. In that role, he was instrumental in combining staff functions to provide easier access to government by the public.

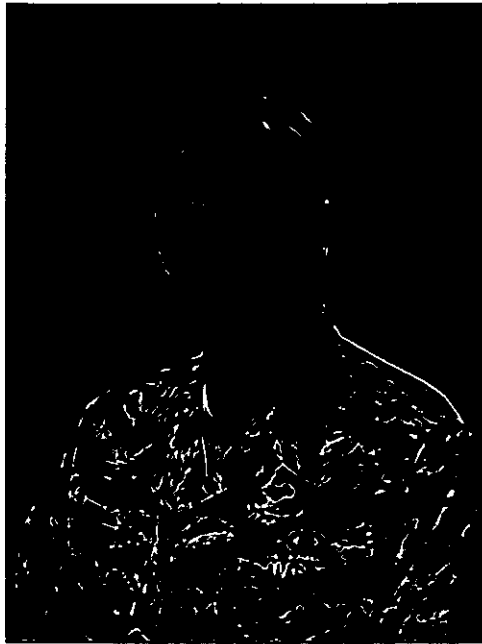


In 1997 he was appointed to the Matanuska Electric Association Board of Directors and was subsequently elected to the board the following year. Craig has served in a number of other volunteer organizations, such as the Winter Cities 94 Board of Directors, the Salvation Army Advisory Board, and as an ex-officio member of the Anchorage Convention and Visitors Advisory Board of Directors.

In 2002, Governor Frank Murkowski appointed Craig as the Adjutant General for the State of Alaska and the Commander of the Alaska National Guard and the Commissioner of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. Prior to that appointment, Craig was serving as the Vice Commander, 168th Air Refueling Wing, Alaska Air National Guard, Eielson AFB, Alaska. In 2006, Governor Sarah Palin retained Craig in his Commissioner and Adjutant General capacity. In 2008, Governor Palin promoted Craig to be the first Lieutenant General (Alaska), the highest such rank permitted in state law. Craig was appointed Lieutenant Governor in July 2009, when Lieutenant Governor Sean Parnell became Alaska's twelfth governor.

Craig and his wife, Anne Marie, were married in 1972. After moving to Alaska, they built their home in Eagle River in 1983. They have two daughters, Melanie and Amanda. Melanie now lives in California with Craig's oldest granddaughter, Emma; while Amanda lives in Anchorage with her husband, Rick Rauckhorst. They are the proud parents of Craig's three other granddaughters, Faith, Lillian, and Kimberly.

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Background:

Lieutenant General Craig E. Campbell is the Adjutant General for the State of Alaska, Commander of the Alaska National Guard and the Commissioner of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. He is responsible to provide Army and Air National Guard military forces, a State Defense Force, and a Navy Militia that are fully prepared to protect Alaska from any threat, disaster, or emergency. He is also responsible to ensure that Alaska's National Guard forces are ready to deploy worldwide and accomplish military missions in support of the national defense strategy. As Adjutant General and Commissioner for the State of Alaska, he is responsible for emergency services, homeland security, veteran affairs, a Counter-Drug Support Team, a Civil Support Team, and a Youth Challenge Program.

Lieutenant General Campbell received his commission in 1974 after graduating from the Reserve Officer Training Program at the University of Tulsa, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science degree. Upon completion of the basic Air Traffic Control Officer Program, he was assigned to Travis AFB, where he received certifications in both the air traffic control tower and radar approach control operations. His subsequent assignments included numerous operational and staff positions in air traffic control at K. I. Sawyer AFB, Vandenberg AFB and Elmendorf AFB. He joined the California Air National Guard in 1981 as the Chief Air Traffic Control Operations Officer, 234th Combat Communications Squadron, Hayward ANGB. In 1990, he was selected as Commander, 168th Resource Management Squadron, Alaska Air National Guard, Eielson AFB. His career with the Alaska Air National Guard includes extensive accomplishments, including development of the Alaska Air National Guard 1998 Long Range Plan which was used as the basis for the 2004 Alaska Air National Guard Transformation Plan. Following graduation from Naval War College in 1999, he served as the Executive Support Staff Officer, Alaska Air National Guard until being selected in 2000 as the Vice Commander, 168th Air Refueling Wing, a position he held until 2003. On 3 January 2003, he was selected to serve as the Adjutant General of Alaska and Commissioner of the Department of Military & Veterans Affairs. On 1 December 2006, he was selected by Governor Sarah Palin to retain these duties and be her trusted advisor.

Lieutenant General Campbell resides in Eagle River with his wife Anne Marie. They have two daughters, Amanda and Melanie and four grandchildren, Faith, Ellie, Kimberly and Emma.

Education:

- 1974 Bachelor of Science in Political Science, University of Tulsa, Oklahoma
- 1979 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
- 1981 Master of Public Administration, Golden Gate University, San Francisco, California
- 1985 Federal Aviation Administration Land Use Compatibility Course, Georgia Tech University, Atlanta, Georgia
- 1995 Air Command and Staff College by seminar
- 1997 Air War College by seminar
- 1999 Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies, Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island

Assignments:

- April 1975 - September 1975, student, Air Traffic Control Officers Training Course, Keesler Air Force Base, Mississippi
- September 1975 - September 1976, Air Traffic Control Operations, 1901st Communications Squadron, Travis Air Force Base, California
- September 1976 - September 1979, chief, Radar Approach Control, 2001st Communications Squadron, K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base, Michigan
- September 1979 - May 1981, chief, ATC Operations, 391st Communications Group, Vandenberg Air Force Base, California
- May 1981 - November 1984, chief, Air Traffic Operations, 1931st Communications Group, Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska

- November 1984 - November 1991, chief, ATC Operations, 234th Combat Communications Squadron, Hayward Air National Guard Base, California
- November 1991 - October 1992, commander, 168th Resource Management Squadron, Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska
- October 1992 - March 1997, commander, 168th Logistics Squadron, Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska
- March 1997 - August 1999, chief, Long Range Planning, Alaska Air National Guard, Anchorage, Alaska
- August 1999 - September 2000, executive support staff officer, Alaska Air National Guard, Anchorage, Alaska
- September 2000 - January 2003, vice commander, 168th Air Refueling Wing, Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska
- January 2003 - Present, Adjutant General of Alaska, Fort Richardson, Alaska

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Legion of Merit
 Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with two devices
 Air Force Commendation Medal with one device
 Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
 Air Force Organizational Excellence Award
 National Defense Service Medal
 Air Force Longevity Service Medal with five devices
 Air Reserve Forces Service Medal
 Alaska Distinguished Service Medal
 Alaska Commendation Medal
 California Medal of Merit

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant June 4, 1974
 First Lieutenant December 5, 1976
 Captain January 1, 1979
 Major June 2, 1988
 Lieutenant Colonel June 5, 1995
 Colonel March 30, 2000
 Brigadier General February 6, 2004
 Major General November 18, 2005 (federal duties)
 Lieutenant General September 8, 2008 (state duties)

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CAMPAIGN 94 MAYOR CAMPBELL SAYS HE'D CUT GOVERNMENT

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Monday, March 14, 1994

Author: PETER BLUMBERG *Daily News reporter ; Staff*

Think of a service you pay the city to provide. Chances are, mayoral candidate Craig Campbell wants it taken out of the city's budget. Electricity for your home? Trash pickup? Telephone service?

Campbell says the private sector can do a better job, so he'd entertain selling the city's utilities to the highest bidder.

Sports facilities? Artistic productions? Libraries?

The people who use them should pay for them, Campbell says. That doesn't mean shutting down the city library, but it does mean charging a fee for checking out books.

The sleep-off center for drunks? Emergency help for the homeless?

The city can't solve every social problem and shouldn't try, says Campbell.

He believes some people need a place to go for family planning and sexual disease testing, but he'd rather steer city money to private clinics than leave those services to the city health department.

What does all this mean for Anchorage residents?

If the seven-year Eagle River assemblyman and aviation consultant is elected mayor April 19, Campbell plans to carry on the legacy of the Tom Fink years: Shrink the size of government as much as possible to save money for taxpayers.

"Tom and I have not always agreed on the method to get to the goal, but when you look at the goals, we're pretty darn close," he said.

Sometimes, when Campbell gets on a roll about what the people of Anchorage really want from government, he even sounds like Fink although the two men are hardly close.

"Where does the greed level peak?" Campbell said in the spring of 1993, while telling off his fellow Anchorage Assembly members when they decided to send a sales tax proposal to the ballot.

Six months later, he was scolding his colleagues again, this time for approving a 1994 city budget that would tax voters to the legal limit.

"We're just doing it the same old way of saying, 'Taxpayers, ante up the dollars and we'll spend them,'" he said.

Campbell wanted to cut \$1.7 million from the spending plan the mayor had proposed, red-lining such items as city labor negotiators, city attorneys, a lobbyist and a press secretary in the mayor's office, birth control counselors, and funding for homeless studies.

The assembly went the other way, voting to add \$3.4 million to Fink's plan and setting taxes at the voter-approved limit. The one area where Campbell wanted to spend more money hiring new police officers won nearly unanimous support.

Campbell knew he didn't have a prayer of getting his colleagues to endorse his long list of cuts. In fact, he didn't bother to show up for the informal meeting where members reworked the budget, nor did he try to lobby his colleagues behind the scenes.

"I gauged the politics. I saw there wasn't the will to do it, there wasn't the energy," Campbell said recently. The others hadn't

shown interest when he proposed similar cuts last spring, just after an assembly election that ushered in five new members.

His conclusion: "This assembly is not more conservative than the last one."

Assemblyman Bill Faulkner, serving his ninth year, said he thinks the 11-member body is more conservative now than at any point in Campbell's political career. If Campbell isn't happy with how the city budget comes together, Faulkner said, it's probably because he hasn't been a big player.

"I think there have been others who are really doing the nuts and bolts," he said.

Campbell said he stood out as a leader during his 15-month stint as assembly chairman, steering his colleagues through the 1992 and 1993 budget cycles and avoiding showdowns with Fink. Voters were taxed to the legal limit both years.

"Everybody says the assembly and the mayor are always fighting, always at each other's throats," Campbell said. "But when I was chairman we got along with the mayor."

However, it's well-known that throughout Campbell's chairmanship, he rarely even talked to Fink, preferring to deal with the mayor's executive managers. While few assembly members have gotten along well with the current mayor, former Assemblyman John Wood has described Campbell as "so cynical of Fink that it's somehow really permeated his thinking in my opinion. He's taken some of the fights beyond what is even being civil."

Campbell acknowledges that he and the mayor have had their differences, dating back to the city's 1991 contract negotiations with the electrical workers' union. The mayor had vetoed the arbitration award that the assembly favored, and Campbell voted with eight others to override the veto.

"We counted on him and he deserted us," Fink said recently. "Ever since then he hasn't been with us. . . . I know Campbell is out telling everyone that he was fully supportive of Tom Fink. He may have agreed with us philosophically, but he didn't vote with us."

Campbell said his tensions with the current mayor who can't run again because of a term limit are beside the point.

"The mark of success is not how often you sit down and have lunch with the mayor, it's how well you can get the administration to go along with your program," he said.

Campbell admits he hasn't been a major mover and shaker when it comes to getting bills passed on the assembly. And he's proud of it.

"The more laws you can make, the more legislation you can offer that makes government bigger in my mind that's a liberal definition of good government," he said. "In my mind, the less government you provide, the smaller budgets you have, the better job you are doing at leadership."

Fink, too, often complains that the assembly overindulges in its power to regulate.

Yet Campbell doesn't see himself as a Fink clone, alienating the assembly by refusing to compromise and winding up on the losing end of many key votes.

"I have occasionally cast protest votes in the last seven years," he admits.

But being mayor would give him access to much more information than he gets now, as well as a different kind of leverage with the assembly leverage he promises to use productively.

"On the executive side, I'd have time to prepare my plans and get six votes," he said, referring to the number of assembly votes it takes to make a law.

While Campbell doesn't gauge his success on making lots of new laws, he gravitates toward issues that strike an emotional chord with voters.

Whether the issue is fluoridation of the public water supply or new fees for septic tank owners, Campbell favors giving voters a choice on the ballot. Even on issues where the assembly's power is limited to nonbinding resolutions as in the recriminalization of marijuana or the right to bear arms Campbell is willing to listen to weeks of testimony before making a

decision. And when others on the assembly debated how to force the Hillside to pay for police protection, Campbell to the people," Evans said.

But Evans and others criticize Campbell for taking his grass-roots approach too far sometimes and ducking tough decisions in the guise of letting the public have its say.

"His modus operandi has been for the most part, when in doubt let the people speak," said Jim Arlington, a Democrat who's been active in Eagle River politics for a few years and is now running for school board.

Arlington questions Campbell's motives for thrusting himself into the middle of a dispute between parents and school officials over the age-appropriateness of a sex education book.

Without ever saying he wants to ban the book "Asking About Sex and Growing Up," Campbell proposed a public advisory vote on the April 19 ballot on whether elementary schools should carry sexually explicit materials. The assembly quashed the idea.

"He throws it up for the public and attaches his name to it, but you can't attach his name to any position," Arlington said. "He's the quintessential waffler. He's a consummate politician and that's what politicians do best."

Two of Campbell's mayoral rivals Mark Begich and Pat Parnell have accused him of using the book issue to pander to the religious right during an election season.

Campbell has vehemently denied the charge. His media consultant confirms a political motive.

"His stand on the book gives the conservative community something to rally around," Marc Hellenthal said, adding: "Yeah, he's playing politics, but he believes in what he's doing."

As conservative as Campbell looks in his campaign literature churchgoer, National Guardsman for 18 years, National Rifle Association member, former chairman of the Republican Party's Eagle River precinct he says he believes strongly in the separation of church and state.

"Mine is not a religious campaign," he said. "I'm not the candidate of the Moral Majority or one of those Christian groups."

"I don't think he's as conservative as Fink," said Eddie Burke, a politically active gas station owner who gave Campbell a \$500 campaign contribution in December. But Burke said it's heartening to know that Campbell opposes gay rights.

"It's not my only factor, but it's a fairly important factor. I think the gay rights issue is one of few that defines where a candidate is really coming from," he said.

While candidate Campbell promises to lead city government in a fiscally and socially conservative direction, he also has plans to boost Anchorage's economy.

He'd start by calling the city's business leaders around one big table to figure out how to draw more European and Asian tourists. He also wants to offer tax breaks to lure new industries to Anchorage, such as high-tech computer operations.

He also thinks the city should take a more careful approach to land-use decisions. Instead of simply selling off city-owned land to whomever wants it, Campbell hopes to market specific parcels for specific industrial and business uses identified in the city's economic development plan.

Campbell said it's important that city government complement, rather than compete with, what business leaders are doing to promote Anchorage.

Yet the same candidate who shudders at the thought of too much government interference collected more than \$100,000 over two years from an agency that receives much of its funding from city and state grants.

During 1991 and 1992, Campbell was hired to consult with the Anchorage Economic Development Corp. and was paid about \$71,500 in fees and reimbursed more than \$30,000 for travel. His purpose was to patch together new airline routes between Alaska and Asia. He succeeded in persuading Korean Air to establish connections between Anchorage and several Pacific cities.

Campbell publicly disclosed his contracts from the outset and abstained from assembly votes on funding for the development corporation, as required by city conflict-of-interest law.

He was rebuked once, in 1988, for failing to file written notice with the city that his company planned to bid on a city contract to design a master plan for Merrill Field. The city Ethics Board recommended a censure against him even though Campbell said he'd contacted the ethics board before his company submitted a bid on the project.

Assembly colleagues refused to endorse the ethics panel's findings. Then- Assembly Chairwoman Heather Flynn said the law was ambiguous about when a city official should post notice of a bid for contract work.

Campbell has put that incident behind him. He prefers to talk about his decision not to keep a \$2,400 raise given to assembly members this year. Campbell has donated the extra income to United Way charities.

As further evidence that he's not a career politician, Campbell points to his support for term limits. When the issue was debated in 1991, Campbell pushed to limit assembly members to two terms, or six years, in office. He ended up supporting the compromise worked out by the assembly and later approved by voters a three-term limit.

Campbell is now serving his third term. He easily won his 1993 race against two relatively unknown opponents, just as he easily won his re- election in 1989.

"I think two terms is right, but that's not the law and I'm doing a good job," he said.

Campbell counts the April 1993 election as a defining moment in Anchorage's political history and as his cue to run for mayor.

That's when it became clear to Campbell what Anchorage voters want from government: They threw out legislators who supported gay rights. They overwhelmingly rejected a sales tax proposal. And they turned down most of a huge school bond package.

Barely one year into his final term, Campbell says he's ready to jump from the assembly to the mayor's office. Is he worried that such a move will be seen as a betrayal by his Eagle River constituents? Not at all.

"If I'm elected mayor, the constituents who elected me will have me in a more powerful position," he said. "If I'm not successful, I'll still be on the assembly."

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ADULTS DUEL OVER CONTENT OF KIDS' BOOK ASSEMBLYMAN LEADS DRIVE TO PUT VOLUME TO A PUBLIC REFERENDUM DURING APRIL ELECTION

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Author: PETER BLUMBERG Daily News reporter ; Staff

Every political season has its sexy issues. Last year it was gay rights.

This year, it's "The Book."

Otherwise known as "Asking About Sex and Growing Up," it's one of the most talked about books in Anchorage these days.

It was written for children, but the fuss is among adults. What few copies are available through libraries maybe 15 in the entire city are suddenly in such high demand that names are going on waiting lists. Private booksellers can't replace their stocks fast enough.

Some point to the book's presence in elementary school libraries as further evidence of society's decaying values. The Anchorage Church of Christ spent \$3,000 to mail out 17,324 fliers with quotes from the book and a warning to parents that it's "not presenting wholesome and beneficial teaching material that will nurture positive growth."

The Bartlett Democrats, on the other hand, make jokes about the book over lunch before raffling off a copy.

Once again reminiscent of last year's no-win struggle over recognizing homosexuals as a protected class of citizens Anchorage finds itself in a tug-of-war over values.

But the furor surrounding "Asking About Sex and Growing Up" is only partly about what's inside the book 90 pages of frank questions and answers about everything from menstruation and birth control to masturbation and homosexuality. Complete with illustrations of the human anatomy.

The controversy has also highlighted the awkwardness of using the democratic process to try to define community standards.

Who gets to decide what kinds of materials belong in school libraries school officials or the general public? What are the criteria for judging whether a book sends the right messages or the wrong ones? If enough people say that a book is bad for children, does that mean it shouldn't be in the library?

All it took to kick off the debate was one complaint from one parent that the book is inappropriate in an elementary school library where children as young as five years old might stumble upon it.

And then the voting started.

A school district committee voted 7-0 to leave the book in place. The school board voted 5-2 to let the book keep circulating unrestricted after hearing hours of testimony from parents, much of it opposed to the book. The assembly voted 6-4 not to urge the school board to reconsider its decision.

But Assemblyman Craig Campbell won't let the issue die. Championing the cause of the book's opponents, Campbell has called for a public referendum on the April 19 ballot.

He wants to ask voters: "Should the Anchorage School District provide sexually explicit materials covering such subjects as masturbation and homosexuality to public elementary school students?"

The public vote would be strictly advisory, not binding upon the school board. The assembly is scheduled to decide Tuesday whether to put the question on the ballot.

"This would be a vote to quantify the community standards of what's right for elementary school libraries," Campbell said. "If it passed, it would send a message to the school board and assembly that the process isn't working."

Campbell said, though, that anyone who thinks they're being asked to cast a ballot for or against book banning has the wrong idea. He emphasized that he's not out to ban any book, including "Asking About Sex and Growing Up."

"I'm not saying it can't be published. I'm not saying it can't be purchased. I'm not saying it can't be available in a public library, and I'm not saying it can't be available as a teacher's reference book and I'm not saying it can't be available in our schools," he said.

"All I'm saying is that parents seem to want to have some restrictions on access to this book by young, immature children, and I think that's appropriate."

A recent flurry of letters to the Daily News reveals some extreme differences of opinion about the proposed referendum.

Paul Myers said in his letter that the issue is simple: Voters have the right to vote.

"Limiting young children access to sexually explicit materials is not hindering free speech or free press; it is only adults using a little common sense," he wrote.

"I as a citizen want to vote on the issues. I as a citizen of the U.S.A. have this right. Too many politicians decide the issues. They think the people do not have the intelligence to vote on the issues."

Pat Clark was amazed that so many parents think they should control what other people's children read in the library.

"If you can't control what your child reads, that's your problem, not mine. You still have no right to take something off the shelves at a library or book store that I or my child might want to read," Clark wrote.

"If some of you had your way there would be very few books on the shelves because someone somewhere didn't like the rest."

Many letter writers have praised or criticized Campbell because they're convinced he wants to ban "Asking About Sex and Growing Up" even though he says that's not the case.

Others have gone so far as to endorse Campbell for mayor because of his stand on the issue. Critics have said he's just trying to bolster his mayoral campaign by exploiting the emotions of voters with yet another inflammatory ballot issue.

Campbell insists that the referendum proposal has nothing to do with his campaign, although he said there's bound to be "political fallout" from the controversy surrounding it.

"The issue wasn't raised to get me elected mayor. It's an issue I believe in," he said. "And when you raise an issue that you believe in, that always has political implications."

It's unlikely the referendum question will be on the ballot no matter how many people tell the assembly Tuesday night that it should be.

With Pat Abney, Mark Begich, Bill Faulkner, Chuck Landers, and Joe Murdy all saying they're prepared to vote against him, Campbell acknowledged last week that he probably doesn't have the votes. It takes at least a six-vote majority for the 11-member assembly to take action. With Charles Wohlforth scheduled to miss the meeting, the best Campbell can hope for is a 5-5 tie which counts as a "no" vote.

Murdy, like several of his colleagues, said that school book controversies are for the school board to sort out, not the assembly or the general public.

"It doesn't belong on the ballot," he said. "Them kind of decisions is what people have the school board for."

Even the two school board members who, according to Campbell, inspired him to offer his referendum proposal now say they have doubts that it will accomplish anything. Lorraine Ferrell and Joe Marks are the school board members who voted against letting the book continue circulating without restrictions. They say that a public vote on the book is of little value by itself.

"It may answer one question, but it doesn't answer the real question as to how we select books and who has the right to say what's appropriate for your child," Marks said.

Ferrell and Marks said they want to focus on giving parents more say in the process the school district uses to select books and review them when controversy arises.

"There's a lot of frustration among parents that there's no mechanism in place for them to exercise control," Ferrell said.

Campbell said that community members should be better represented on the school district committee that reviews controversial materials. Right now, they occupy seven of 13 seats.

"All it takes is six administrators to convince one community member that the administrators are smarter, and they win," Campbell said. "In my experience in government, that happens all the time."

King Buchanan, leader of the Anchorage Church of Christ, said he's taken some flak for sending out all those fliers condemning "Asking About Sex and Growing Up." Nevertheless, he plans to speak out for the rights of parents at Tuesday's assembly meeting.

"One librarian phoned me and told me I was breaking the Constitution of the United States. Can you believe that?" he said. "She was very concerned that anyone would want input about what goes into her library."

Coming up: What is it about "Asking About Sex and Growing Up" that has created such a controversy? Parents, an adolescent pediatrician, librarians and educators tell us in Tuesday's YourHealth section.

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CAMPAIGN 94 MAYOR CANDIDATE TAKES AIM AT EXPLICIT BOOKS IN SCHOOLS

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Saturday, January 15, 1994

Author: PETER BLUMBERG Daily News reporter ; Staff

Anchorage assemblyman and mayoral candidate Craig Campbell has proposed a zinger for the April ballot: Do voters think elementary school libraries should carry sexually explicit materials? Campbell said he's seeking an advisory vote from the public at the request of two school board members who lost an emotional battle this week to restrict children's access to a book called "Asking About Sex and Growing Up."

Board members Lorraine Ferrell and Joe Marks and a number of parents argued that the book is offensive and inappropriate for young students, but five other board members voted to keep the book on library shelves with no restrictions.

"I'm not sure what the public really wants," Campbell said. "There may be an interest from the population to say there is material so sexually explicit that young people should have restricted access to it or no access at all."

Campbell said he knows it's a hot-button issue that could trigger a censorship debate and divide the community, but he insisted he's not trying to do that. Rather, he said, the point is to give guidance to the school board. No matter what the outcome of the vote, decisions about what materials belong in school libraries still rests with the school board.

Campbell's proposal drew criticism Friday as soon it hit the published agenda for Tuesday's assembly meeting.

Assembly chairman Dick Traini, who said the book is "garbage" but opposes a public vote on it, was upset that he was listed as a co-sponsor without his consent. Anchorage School Board president Sharon Richards accused Campbell of meddling in the board's business and stood by her vote to keep the book in libraries. And assemblyman Mark Begich, one of Campbell's 11 opponents in the mayor's race, called the proposal a "purely political" ploy to draw the religious right to the polls so that Campbell can get more votes.

Campbell responded by saying he thought Traini had agreed to sponsor the proposal but doesn't mind that Traini withdrew his name; he doesn't think he's interfering with the school board's job; and he thinks Begich is the one playing politics.

"Every time I do something he claims it's for politics," Campbell said. "It's getting pretty tiring the way Mark is trying to equate any public policy issue to politics just because I'm associated with it."

It will take at least three votes at Tuesday's assembly meeting for Campbell to get a public hearing on his proposal. If there is a hearing, the earliest it could be is Feb. 8 and it will take six votes to put the issue on the April 19 ballot.

The exact language of the ballot proposition hasn't been worked out yet. After hearing the city attorney's first draft, Campbell said it sounded too narrow because the "yes" or "no" question didn't leave room for voters to say the book should be restricted but not banned.

In the school board debate, Ferrell, Marks and Debbie Ossiander had offered compromises along those lines, but couldn't sway board members Richards, Peggy Robinson-Wilson, Theresa Obermeyer and Patti Higgins. In the end, after lengthy testimony and debate that dominated two night meetings, Ossiander sided with the majority.

Campbell said that having raised children himself, he's concerned about what young children might read in "Asking About Sex and Growing Up," including excerpts about masturbation and females examining their genitals in a mirror.

"I'm only talking about public elementary schools. I'm not talking about censorship or saying this book is pornography," Campbell said. "I don't think it is. I think it's advanced education."

Ferrell, who is running for re-election to the school board in April, said Friday that she couldn't comment on the proposed

ballot question because she hasn't seen it yet. She did say, though, that she'd talked with Campbell about the idea of polling voters on the subject of sexually explicit books in school libraries.

"We discussed it and I said it would be great," she said.

Traini, the assembly chairman, said he thinks Campbell may have three votes, but doubts he'll get the six needed to put the issue on the ballot. Campbell said he hasn't polled his colleagues.

Traini said the proper forum for voters to vent their frustration with the school board is in elections. Besides Ferrell's seat, the seats held by Ossiander and Obermeyer are up for grabs in April.

"I think the voters are smart enough to realize who put this garbage in the school library system and they'll deal with them in the election," Traini said.

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Guardsmen fight to bring hope, happiness - COMPASS: Points of view from the community

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Author: MAJ. GEN. CRAIG CAMPBELL ; *Commentary*

Alaskans, in both the Army and the Air National Guard, are leaving within this next week to fight the war on terrorism, and more importantly give freedom to a repressed people. Citizen-soldiers are providing this service, hailing from Barrow down to Dillingham and across to Juneau. These fine Americans are a shining example of what is good and just in the world.

Many people of Alaska Native descent are part of this deployment, and we are very proud of their service. In peacetime, these fine men and women play a key role in protecting and providing for their remote communities. With the help of National Guard family services, these folks have prepared to keep their communities protected while they are away.

I can tell you that when I've looked into the eyes of these young soldiers and airmen, as I've spoken with them, I've seen promise, hope and purpose. To a person, they are remarkable, and they voluntarily stepped forward to serve Alaska and our nation.

It is true love of family and friends, devotion to one another, and a sense of tradition that calls them to service. Our elders, who just a few generations ago during World War II and throughout the Cold War selflessly gave themselves to protect our borders from invasion, set this example. This is a deep-seeded patriotism that quietly permeates each individual and a community. The war on terrorism has come home to Alaska in a deeply moving way.

The mission of our Guardsmen will be more than fighting insurgents. They will fight to add hope and happiness to the lives of millions by providing a safe and secure environment. Alaskans will protect the grocer's children who attend school, the banker who will help others build financial security, and the entertainer, who will be free to sell Hollywood DVDs and the latest magazines from London.

Support your neighbors and loved ones as they go off to protect you by giving them a warm send-off and continuing to remember them with gifts of support while they're away. Their duty to our state and country will never be forgotten. Honor and respect them when they come home.

They are doing this for us, for the freedoms we so cherish and for a disparaged people who once only dreamed to live a life that we take for granted. God bless our Guardsmen, and we pray for their safe return.

Maj. Gen. Craig E. Campbell is adjutant general, Alaska National Guard and commissioner of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.

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ASSEMBLY ENDS MARATHON ON PROPOSAL FOR GAY RIGHTS

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Thursday, January 7, 1993

Author: STEVE RINEHART Daily News reporter ; Staff

When Assembly Chairman Craig Campbell hammered shut the public hearing on a city gay rights proposal Wednesday evening, there was scattered applause, a wave of relief and a round of congratulations. So ended the longest hearing anyone on the assembly could remember. It lasted 15 hours, spread over five days. More than 150 people testified, according to the city clerk's log. And, it appeared that no single mind on the assembly or at least not one vote had been changed.

The most controversial question of the year of 1992, that is is scheduled for a vote Tuesday. Unless the lineup changes, the measure is likely to be approved by a bare six-vote majority. Then, if Mayor Tom Fink stands by his promise, it will be vetoed.

Assembly members for and against the measure said they doubted there are enough votes eight are needed to beat the veto.

Heather Flynn, Pat Abney, Jim Kubitz, Mark Begich, John Wood and Jim Barnett all said they support the measure. Campbell, Dick Traini and Bill Faulkner said they oppose it. Chuck Landers of Eagle River would not say one way or the other on Wednesday.

The proposal would add sexual orientation to the city's civil rights code. The law now protects people from discrimination on the basis of sex, color, race, national origin, age, marital status, religion or physical handicap.

Gay rights amounts to civil rights and equal protection, supporters on the assembly said.

"How could I be a woman of my age, with the social and economic experiences of my 50 years, and not leave the door open behind me," Flynn said.

Opponents said they thought homosexuality may be a behavior that people can choose or not, and that there is no convincing record of discrimination against homosexuals.

"I do not see the magnitude of the problem. I think Anchorage is a pretty tolerant place," Faulkner said.

The official city record the one kept by the Equal Rights Commission supports that opinion. Few cases of anti-gay discrimination are on the books. However, the commission does not take those cases, because such discrimination is not illegal.

Testimony during the long hearings built an anecdotal record of bias.

On Wednesday, Jamie Bouchard told the assembly he had recently been fired from his five-year job at a fast-food restaurant because customers complained to his boss that he looked gay. "I am not gay," he said, "But I have no recourse. I think this ordinance would help."

Greg Solsvig said he waited through every hearing to speak against the measure on Wednesday. "Without the traditional family, our society will not endure," he said.

Others complained the gay rights ordinance would grant official approval to a type of sexual activity they find offensive or against their religion.

Mark Finan said he was not looking for anyone's approval. "You can curse me, you can tell me I'm going to hell. I don't care. But you can't take my job away just because I love men."

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Sex education Craig Campbell has it all wrong

Anchorage assemblyman Craig Campbell should be ashamed of himself. His call for a city-wide vote on whether to allow 'sexually explicit' materials in Anchorage public schools looks like a self-aggrandizing effort to manipulate the democratic process for his own political purposes.

To begin with, Mr. Campbell's proposed ballot measure grotesquely misrepresents the issue at hand. He makes it sound as if public schools provide students with Playboy, Penthouse, Hustler and worse.

Let's be clear here: There is nothing sexually explicit about the book in question, 'Asking about Sex.' Mr. Campbell's ballot language might lead you to think the book has pictures of kids masturbating or homosexual couples engaged in sex acts. What it does have is information (text, not pictures) on homosexuality and masturbation, presented in a way that does not condemn them as immoral.

Some parents feel the book is unsuitable for their children. They complained. The school district has a process for handling those complaints. It includes review by a controversial issues committee. The majority of that committee's members are from the community, not from the school district. The process also includes a public hearing at the school board. Parents who objected to 'Asking about Sex' went through that full process -- and lost.

Now they've found a politician willing to lead a charge to change the rules. Note that the proposed vote is not binding, only advisory. That's because the city charter has no provision for the assembly to meddle this way in school district business. This proposed ballot question is no more legitimate than proposing an advisory vote to impeach or recall Craig Campbell.

It's clear that one thing such a ballot question would do is to boost Mr. Campbell's political ambitions. His fundamentalist conservative supporters would be encouraged to flock to the polls by the church bus load. While they're casting a vote to purge public schools of nonexistent smut, they could be expected to pad Mr. Campbell's vote totals in the mayor's race.

The dispute over this book demands dialogue and the give-and-take of well-informed debate. Instead, Mr. Campbell offers us a fruitless parade of sound-bite attacks and distortions inevitable in a straight up-or-down citywide vote.

Asked about his idea, Mr. Campbell reacted as innocently as a boy who sets a match to a house, then calls the fire department and joins in dousing the blaze. The book is generally good, he says. Ninety-five percent of it he has no problems with. He hasn't gone on record saying it should be removed from libraries. He's only concerned that it's available to kids who are too young for it. He's not against age-appropriate sex education. He just wants the school district to be responsive to parents' concerns for their children. He's open to a compromise that leaves the book in the library but restricts access to kids who have parental permission.

You're left wondering why he posed the question in such an inflammatory way. Well, he said, 'sexually explicit' is the term generally used to describe material like this.

Well, there's a term commonly used to describe this kind of behavior. It's called irresponsible political grandstanding.

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PAY AS LITTLE AS YOU CAN AND GET AS MUCH FREE STUFF AS YOU CAN

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Friday, February 19, 1993

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The assembly hall was packed Tuesday night. Not surprising; the subject was taxes. But when Jim Barnett asked how many people were airplane owners, a hand shot up from nearly every seat. The airplane owners were not interested in proposals to raise alcohol or tobacco or fuel taxes, or to impose a sales tax. They were there to support Craig Campbell's plan to lower the annual tax on airplanes. Despite dire predictions about the city's finances, an assemblyman who calls himself a fiscal conservative is trying to engineer a \$500,000-plus give-back to people who have enough dough to own and fly private airplanes.

"We are very concerned at the lack of fairness in the taxing of aircraft in Anchorage," Alaska Airmen's Association spokesman Mike Pannone told the assembly. What he meant is this: Airplanes, snowmachines, boats big boys' toys are taxed by the city as personal property. Cars, trucks and motor homes are taxed by the state as motor vehicles. The tax on a \$50,000 motor home might be \$70, while the tax on a \$50,000 airplane might be \$950.

"It is obvious (the airplane tax) is an inequitable and unfair tax," airplane owner John Pratt said.

Baloney. What's obvious is that the motor home tax is too low. But under the warped logic of public financing, if one group gets a free lunch, every other group deserves one, too.

Disguised by the code words "equity" and "fairness" are the two rules of public financing in the city in fact, in the state.

Rule No. 1 is: Everybody, no matter how well off, has an absolute right to get as much free stuff from government as anybody else.

Rule No. 2 is: Everybody, no matter how well off, has an absolute right to pay as little for government services as anybody else.

Under these rules, Hillside residents demand police protection but refuse to pay for it. Rich old people don't pay property taxes, but do get a monthly check. And airplane owners argue that because the tax on motor homes is too low, the tax on airplanes should be, too.

Once, a state government awash in oil money subsidized this take-now, pay-never attitude. No more. After several years of cutting the budget and listening to people howl, most assembly members are convinced new taxes are necessary. You'd think that would mean the airplane owners are out of luck. You'd be wrong.

Several of the taxes the assembly is considering have problems. A higher tobacco tax doesn't raise enough money. Voters have defeated a higher fuel tax in the past. Everybody knows voters will approve a higher alcohol tax, but putting it on the ballot will make the alcohol industry unhappy. Since the alcohol industry has a majority of the assembly in its hip pocket, right there next to its wallet, that's the last thing assembly members want to do.

That leaves the sales tax. Anchorage voters have rained all over a sales tax before, but this proposal is being carefully crafted. Many things, like groceries, would not be taxed, thereby avoiding the sticky situation of taxing poor people to pay for middle-class services. And even with all the untaxed stuff, supporters figure the sales tax will raise \$40 million a year, about one-third from people who don't live here. That's enough to balance the budget, and reduce or eliminate existing taxes.

So every time those of us who can't afford an airplane pays more for underwear or a toaster, we could be paying not to keep the lights on in the library, but to eliminate the toy tax. That'd make a whole hall full of airplane owners happy. Or to cut the property tax, and help out big property owners like Arco and Carr-Gottstein.

See how it works? The city's politicians can make people happy even by raising taxes. As long as they follow the rules, and

raise the other guy's taxes.

Mike Doogan's opinion column appears each Sunday, Tuesday and Friday. You can hear more of Doogan on the Daily Newsline. Call 277-1500 and enter code 2205.

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CANDIDATES MAY TEAM UP ON O'CONNOR

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Three Anchorage Assembly candidates from Eagle River say they are considering an agreement in which two would quit the race, increasing the chance of the third unseating incumbent Gerry O'Connor.

The candidates said they want to poll voters before the Oct. 7 election and will agree that only the challenger with the most support would stay in the race, said Steve Grissom, campaign manager for **Craig Campbell**.

Campbell, Bill Watson and Joe Kapella are running in the Eagle River-Mountain View district against seven-year incumbent O'Connor.

"We are trying to encourage the other candidates to join with us a week prior to the election and do an objective poll with the low men dropping off," Grissom said. "What we're saying is, "If you have the best interest of the community at heart, you'll do it."

"What we end up with is the candidate with the best chance of beating Gerry O'Connor."

Grissom said the agreement also calls for the two candidates who quit to actively campaign for the front-runner.

Campbell's campaign staff has been organizing the effort. But Campbell said the deal was not his idea and he is not sure where it originated.

Campbell said he thinks the poll is a good idea but is not ready to commit to dropping out of the race based on the poll results.

Campbell is worried that three challengers will split the anti-O'Connor vote and the incumbent will be re-elected.

Kapella and Watson said Wednesday they have not yet decided whether to make the deal with Campbell. But both candidates agreed with Grissom that electing any of the challengers would be better than re-electing O'Connor.

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ELECTION '86 EASY RUNNING: NO FOES BUT PLENTY OF MONEY TWO ASSEMBLY INCUMBENTS IN GOOD SHAPE, ACCORDING TO CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION REPORTS

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Saturday, September 13, 1986
Author: DON HUNTER Daily News reporter ; Staff

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Jadon Inc. donated \$500 each to four candidates: **Craig Campbell**, who is challenging incumbent O'Connor and two other candidates in Eagle RiverEast Anchorage; Jim Kubitz, a candidate for the SpenardTurnagain seat vacated by retiring Assemblyman Dave Walsh; and unopposed incumbents Wood and Flynn.

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Eagle RiverEast Anchorage

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Campbell, Joe Kapella and Bill Watson are trying to come to an agreement in which two of them would step down shortly before the election and throw their weight to the candidate with the best chance of beating O'Connor.

So far, Campbell has reported a little more than \$3,000 in contributions, with about half that coming in donations of \$100 or less. He has contributed \$427 to his own campaign, and spent about \$2,540.

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KAPELLA CONCELS COMPACT

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Tuesday, September 16, 1986

Author: DAVID POSTMAN Daily News reporter ; Staff

The Eagle River assembly race is a freeforall again after candidate Joe Kapella refused to join two of his opponents in what he called "a backroom deal" to unseat incumbent Gerry O'Connor.

Kapella, Bill Watson and **Craig Campbell** had considered signing a pact calling for commissioning a poll before the Oct. 7 election, and then having only the frontrunner remain in the race. The two other challengers would agree to drop out and campaign for the third.

The point of the unusual deal was to unseat O'Connor, a sevenyear assembly veteran.

A meeting scheduled Sunday at which the candidates were to discuss the deal was called off after Kapella said he would not participate.

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None of the challengers have taken credit for first suggesting the deal. Campbell's campaign staff has coordinated the effort.

Campbell had said he would help pay for the poll but had not promised to drop out of the race.

"It was a leadership thing," he said. "If the poll showed we flat could not win, we would do what was best for the community. The best thing for the community is to unseat Gerry."

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MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS EAGLE RIVER CANDIDATES TEAMING UP AGAINST INCUMBENT O'CONNOR

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Thursday, October 2, 1986

Author: DAVID POSTMAN Daily News reporter ; Staff

Soon after the four way Anchorage Assembly race in Eagle River began, it became obvious it was three against one. Everyone wanted to gang up on seven year incumbent Gerry O'Connor.

Bill Watson, **Craig Campbell** and Joe Kapella considered a pact where two of them would drop out the losers of a poll the three would commission and support the third in an attempt to unseat O'Connor. The arrangement fell through when Kapella changed his mind and called it a "backroom deal."

But O'Connor is still at the center of the campaign.

Issues are rarely mentioned when the challengers are asked why they decided to run for the assembly. Instead, they talk about O'Connor and O'Connor talks about his accomplishments.

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Watson and Campbell are making their first run at public office and are relative newcomers to Eagle River.

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Campbell is manager of Alaska operations for Coffman Associates Inc., an airport planning firm. He is a planner and noise abatement specialist.

He has lived in Eagle River for three years. His only community involvement has been with the Eagle River Valley Community Council. He is now president of the council.

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The three challengers share many of the same political views, all claiming to be more conservative than O'Connor.

Campbell said he thinks he, Watson and Kapella are "very much alike."

When asked why they decided to run for the assembly this year, the three challengers mention O'Connor.

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Campbell: "I was concerned about what I was seeing on the assembly . . . and was specifically concerned about the representation Eagle River was getting from Gerry O'Connor."

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"When Mr. O'Connor talks about the things he got I'm not sure that others did the work and he just happened to be on the assembly," Campbell said.

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O'Connor's most strident critic among the three challengers is Campbell. He has a long list of specific complaints.

Campbell's campaign has been endorsed by the Anchorage Education Association, the Alaska Trailer Court Association and the Anchorage Young Republicans. His campaign is being managed by Steve Grissom who ran Fred Dyson's successful 1985 assembly campaign.

Unlike most community council presidents, Campbell rarely testifies at assembly meetings. Instead, he said, he works to organize residents' efforts in front of the assembly.

"I like to help facilitate change rather than take credit for solving the problem," he said.

Campbell said he "has no specific piece of legislation I want to introduce right away" if elected. But said his first priority would be "economic development."

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HOPEFULS WANT LIMIT ON COSTS

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Friday, October 3, 1986

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Ten of the 17 Anchorage Assembly candidates say they support imposing limits on change orders that increase the cost of public projects after contracts have been awarded.

"We must begin to control the cost of capital projects and protect the taxpayer from excessive cost overruns," said **Craig Campbell**, one of four candidates running for the Eagle River Mountain View seat held by incumbent Gerry O'Connor.

"If a company bids a project at a fixed fee, we should expect it to be completed at that price, provided the cost overrun was not the fault of government," Campbell said.

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O'CONNOR LOSES ASSEMBLY SEAT EAGLE RIVER INCUMBENT FINISHES THIRD; BAKER, KUBITZ WIN

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Wednesday, October 8, 1986
Author: DON HUNTER Daily News reporter ; Staff

Incumbent Anchorage Assemblyman Gerry O'Connor of Eagle River lost his bid for reelection Tuesday, finishing third behind **Craig Campbell** and Joe Kapella as votes from the district's last precincts were counted early Wednesday morning.

Campbell led Kapella by a mere 24 votes. An undetermined number of challenged and absentee ballots remained to be tallied, rendering the race too close to call without them.

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Campbell, the apparent winner in the Eagle River race, said O'Connor lost because he forgot to listen to his constituents.

"He goes in and wants to do certain projects," like extending water and sewer services without consulting residents who don't want to pay for them, Campbell said.

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ANTIABORTIONISTS ARRESTED AT BABY FAIR

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Right to Life had its public relations machine in gear for the event. Steve Grissom, executive director of Alaska Right to Life who identified himself as a freelance photographer working for the organization, took pictures of the arrest and of many of the displays set up in the convention center. Grissom managed **Craig Campbell**'s successful election to the Anchorage Assembly last month. He did the same for Assemblyman Fred Dyson, an active antiabortionist, in 1985.

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ASSEMBLY OK'S KNOWLES' BUDGET PLAN DEPENDS ON EMPLOYEE WAGE FREEZE; AVERAGE PROPERTY TAX WON'T RISE

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Thursday, November 27, 1986

Author: DAVID POSTMAN Daily News reporter ; Staff

After juggling money to fund local arts groups, a wildlife museum and community councils, the Anchorage Assembly Wednesday approved a \$197 million spending plan for the daytoday operations of city government in 1987.

The unanimously approved budget is \$18 million less than the 1986 operating budget and, on the average, will not increase property tax bills.

The budget assumes city unions will agree to a yearlong wage freeze. If not, as many as 60 workers will need to be laid off to make the budget balance.

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In a move that surprised city budget officials, the assembly voted 6-5 to move \$100,000 from the \$1.1 million budget of the Anchorage Museum of History and Art to the Alaska Wildlife Museum, a private, nonprofit company. The downtown museum has struggled for survival since its inception several years ago and has asked the city for money several times.

Assembly members voting for the amendment were Wood, Dyson, **Craig Campbell**, Bill Faulkner, Brad Bradley and Pat Parnell.

Barnett, Flynn, Larry Baker, Joe Evans and Jim Kubitz voted against the measure.

Bradley led the fight to fund the wildlife museum, saying the wildlife exhibits, including mounted animals, fill an "embarrassing" gap in Anchorage. Most assembly members voting for the funding said it was a onetime deal and they would not consider giving the museum more money in the future.

Flynn argued against taking money from the city art and history museum, calling it "a real showpiece for this community.

"What this truly amounts to is a subsidy to a private business that has not shown, evidenced by their presence here, an ability to make it as a private business," Flynn said.

The wildlife museum had originally asked for a portion of the \$2 million or so that goes to fund the Anchorage Convention & Visitors Bureau. The money comes from a city tax on hotel and motel room rentals. The bureau gets half the money collected, with the other half spread throughout several city departments.

The Anchorage museum gets about \$888,000 in hotel motel tax, but O'Connell said that is not necessarily where the money will come from.

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ASSEMBLY APPROVES SMOKING BAN EFFECTIVE DATE IS JAN. 1 FOR CITY; JULY 1 FOR SCHOOLS

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Wednesday, December 10, 1986

Author: DON HUNTER Daily News reporter ; Staff

Tobacco smoke will vanish from city offices Jan. 1 under a new law approved by the Anchorage Assembly Tuesday night.

The eight assembly members who voted in favor of the smoking ban proposed by Mayor Tony Knowles cited motivations ranging from sheer economics to sheer compassion.

Alaska Lung Association officials said the vote makes Anchorage the first city in the nation to adopt a total ban on tobacco smoke. Many private businesses have done the same.

The new law means no one, either employees or members of the public, will be able to smoke inside any building owned or leased by the city. It will not affect the Sullivan Sports Arena or the Egan Civic and Convention Center, which are owned by the city but leased and operated by private businesses.

The law also will affect school buildings. However, it will not be effective in school buildings until July 1.

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Assemblymen **Craig Campbell** and John Wood joined Bradley in voting against the law. Faulkner and members Heather Flynn, Fred Dyson, Jim Kubitz, Joe Evans, Pat Parnell, Larry Baker and Jim Barnett supported it.

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ASSEMBLY TO TAKE THE PLEDGE BEFORE MEETINGS

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The Anchorage Assembly voted overwhelmingly Tuesday to begin each meeting by saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

Assembly members said they should say the pledge to "honor the flag" and to "commit ourselves to the country."

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Craig Campbell first proposed the resolution, which nine other assemblymen cosponsored. It passed on a 10-1 vote.
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ASSEMBLY DELAYS COASTAL TRAIL DECISION

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Author: DON HUNTER Daily News reporter ; Staff

Completion of Anchorage's coastal trail might have to be sacrificed to finance other, more critical city projects or services, several Anchorage Assembly members suggested Tuesday night.

A divided assembly postponed action on a \$2.6 million appropriation to extend the trail from Point Woronzof to Kincaid Park. The delay was requested by Eagle River Assemblyman **Craig Campbell**, who said he wanted to further study the community's priorities for the money.

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PAC FUNDING PROMISE NETS COASTAL TRAIL VOTES

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Wednesday, February 25, 1987

Author: DON HUNTER Daily News reporter ; Staff

Mayor Tony Knowles wants to drain the last of Anchorage's leftover interest money and then some to finish all three theaters in the city's performing arts center at the same time.

The plan bought Knowles the crucial swing vote Tuesday night when the Anchorage Assembly voted, 65, to spend another \$2.6 million in interest money to extend the coastal trail.

Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** had postponed action on the trail vote last week, saying finishing the arts center might be a higher priority than lengthening the trail.

Campbell said he had met with the mayor several times over the past week, but wanted his question answered on the record:

"Are we going to be able to complete the performing arts center in 1988? . . . Do we have the money?"

"It is the intent of the administration to bring forward to the assembly sufficient funding to complete the three theaters in the fall of 1988," Knowles said.

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Flynn, Campbell, Bill Faulkner, Jim Barnett, Joe Evans and Jim Kubitz supported the coastal trail funding. Dyson, Pat Parnell, Brad Bradley, John Wood and Assembly Chairman Larry Baker opposed the appropriation.

Knowles' plan for completing the arts center will be brought to the assembly later.

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LAKE OTIS PROJECT MAY BE DEAD FOR THIS YEAR

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Lake Otis Parkway will not be widened this summer and the city's number one road project could be delayed for years, city officials and a state lawmaker said Friday.

The job was put in jeopardy after the Anchorage Assembly refused Friday to allow city officials to condemn small pieces of property that cannot be bought from Lake Otis homeowners.

At a special meeting, the assembly voted 6-5 against reconsidering a vote it took Tuesday. The assembly had voted to allow city officials to begin buying property to widen Lake Otis but unanimously refused to grant Mayor Tony Knowles' request for condemnation authority.

The city was hoping to get \$7 million from the state this year to widen the road from Tudor Road to 68th Avenue.

Voting against reconsideration were Fred Dyson, Heather Flynn, Jim Kubitz, Pat Parnell, John Wood and **Craig Campbell**. Voting in favor were Joe Evans, Jim Barnett, Larry Baker, Brad Bradley and Bill Faulkner.

Members voting against the measure said they did so for several reasons. Wood, Dyson and Campbell said they opposed granting eminent domain authority because the city had not negotiated in good faith with the five people who own land needed to widen the road. . . .

But Evans, who led the fight Friday to grant condemnation authority, said the homeowners "really won a Pyrrhic victory. They won the battle but lost the war because this project may not get built."

State Rep. Red Boucher, a candidate for mayor, said that may well be the case. "If you don't get your act together you may not get the money to build your road," he told the assembly.

The \$7 million appropriated last year but frozen by then Gov. Bill Sheffield could be lost if the legislature thinks the project is dead, he said. And if the money doesn't come this year it likely will be lost forever.

And if the city planned to ask the state for another \$2 million, "don't bother," Boucher said. "I'm not going to push for it and neither is Sen. (Jan) Faiks. So find it somewhere else."

Knowles said the road will not be built this summer "and I don't know of anyone forecasting that it will be easier to get capital dollars in the future." . . .

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SCULPTURE CONTRACTS REJECTED ASSEMBLY TURNS THUMBS DOWN ON TWO 1 PERCENT FOR ART PROJECTS

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Tuesday, April 28, 1987
Author: DAVID POSTMAN Daily News reporter ; Staff

Anchorage Assembly members may not know much about art but they know what they don't like spending money on sculpture in days of tight money.

This month the assembly overwhelmingly rejected two art contracts mandated by the city's 1 percent for art program. The program requires that 1 percent of construction costs of city and school buildings be used for art at the building.

The city official in charge of the program said Monday this is the first time in at least five years that a 1 percent for art project has been stopped by the assembly.

Assemblymen said they killed the contracts because the community was not involved in choosing the art and they didn't think it wise to spend \$100,000 on art when they are being forced to cut budgets and layoff workers.

But city officials and the head of a local arts group said there was plenty of public involvement in selecting the art and the program should not be hurt because there is not enough money to pay for other city services. Besides, they say, it's the law.

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Eagle River Assemblymen Fred Dyson and **Craig Campbell** led the effort to stop the contracts. Campbell said his constituents told him at a recent meeting "they didn't want to spend money on art right now. It is not the time for extras."

Dyson said he has long opposed the 1 percent for art program because the art "is mandated in a way that doesn't allow for judgment of any kind." He said art teachers and PTA members complained they did not have a chance to comment on the proposed works of art.

Both assemblymen said they thought their no votes would be symbolic. They were surprised when a majority of their colleagues joined them.

Campbell and Dyson said the money should be used at the schools and for art, but not sculpture. Campbell suggested art scholarships and Dyson said the money might be used for art supplies.

"It's clear the money cannot be spent for anything else," said Molly Jones, the program administrator. "We try to look at the art work as part of the building. But I can see how it would strike some people as odd to pay \$70,000 for a sculpture for an elementary school."

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PROPERTY MEASURE VETOED PLAN PUT LIMITS ON CITY AUTHORITY

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Mayor Tony Knowles vetoed an ordinance Tuesday that would have limited the city's power to condemn property for public projects.

Knowles vetoed the ordinance because it would "prevent the building of important public projects, delay the building of others and greatly increase the cost of public projects to the taxpayers of Anchorage," according to his veto message to the Anchorage Assembly.

The mayor said the ordinance approved by the assembly last week would also have brought politics into city land purchases.

Assembly supporters of the ordinance said the changes would have given property owners increased protection when negotiating with the city.

Sponsor **Craig Campbell** said he was more concerned about protecting property owners than about any extra burden on the city.

He said that when the city condemns a piece of property, "You are taking the ultimate from that individual."

The change would have prevented the city from using condemnation, or eminent domain, until the assembly determined that a goodfaith effort had been made to negotiate land sales.

Under eminent domain, a court decides whether a project is in the public interest and sets the price if a settlement cannot be reached.

Under current law, eminent domain authority can be granted at any time and is usually granted when negotiations begin.

Earlier this year the assembly balked at giving Knowles eminent domain authority for a Lake Otis Parkway widening project. Assembly members said city officials did not negotiate in good faith with property owners along the road.

Knowles said Tuesday that if a project is worth building, eminent domain should be granted before land acquisition begins.

He said the assembly should not be involved in property negotiations. He said disputes between the city and property owners are better settled by the court.

Campbell said that under his ordinance the assembly would act only in a review role, which he said was entirely appropriate.

Knowles rarely uses his veto powers. Most recently, he vetoed an assembly resolution last month dealing with AIDs because he said it did not approach the problem constructively.

Knowles has vetoed less than a dozen ordinances in his two terms in office.

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PAC MEETINGS HELD WITHOUT PUBLIC NOTICE

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Several members of the Anchorage Assembly met in unannounced, possibly illegal meetings Monday and Tuesday to discuss the troubled performing arts center project.

The first meeting, Monday morning, was called by Mayor Tony Knowles. Bill Pargeter, president of a nonprofit corporation set up to manage the arts complex, scheduled the second.

The meetings appear to violate an Alaska Supreme Court interpretation of the state's open meetings laws. The court, in a 1985 decision, ruled that meetings in which assembly members deliberate or decide on public issues must be held in public, with notice, even if a quorum of members is not present.

Knowles said he asked **Craig Campbell**, Fred Dyson, Jim Kubitz and Joe Evans to meet in his office with Pargeter because he wanted to make sure their questions about a study of the arts center project were fully answered. Knowles said he called the meeting on short notice and didn't think about notifying the press.

"I didn't get in touch with the assembly people until late in the evening (the day before) and we were even calling assembly people earlier that morning," he said. "It just didn't cross my mind, in terms of notifying the press."

Such breakfast-hour meetings with assembly members ordinarily are announced at the prior week's regular Tuesday night assembly meetings, Knowles said. The meeting Monday was scheduled after the previous meeting and before this week's regular Tuesday assembly meeting, he said.

Knowles said he has been careful, in setting up morning meetings, to make sure that no more than five members attend any given meeting. A six-member quorum is required for action.

The Supreme Court, however, in a decision invalidating a 1983 zoning action because members met with a developer without notice to the public, noted that absence of a quorum of members doesn't relieve members of the open meetings requirements.

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Campbell said he assumed notice of Monday's meeting had been given until his Eagle River colleague, Dyson, asked about that. "When I went into it, I assumed it was a properly announced meeting," Campbell said. He said he became uncomfortable when he learned reporters had not been told of the meeting, but did not leave.

Knowles said he "asked if anyone there felt it was an illegal meeting" and that no one present said it was. "Obviously, when I called the meeting I considered it a legal meeting."

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ASSEMBLYMAN, MAYOR ARGUE OVER MEETINGS CAMPBELL, KNOWLES GO AT IT DURING ARTS CENTER DISCUSSION

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Wednesday, August 19, 1987

Author: DAVID POSTMAN Daily News reporter ; Staff

Anchorage Assembly discussions Tuesday about performing arts center funding exploded into angry debate over allegedly illegal lobbying meetings.

Mayor Tony Knowles and Assemblyman **Craig Campbell**, in a rare public display of anger, argued whether, in Campbell's words, the assembly had been "hoodwinked" into attending illegal meetings.

A group of assembly members met with administration officials last Monday and Tuesday mornings to discuss Knowles' request for \$8.3 million to complete the arts center. No public notice was given for the two meetings.

The assembly held a public hearing on the proposal last week but ran out of time and took no action. Members decided this week the meetings were at least questionable under the Open Meetings Act.

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A proposal by Campbell and Assemblyman Fred Dyson calling for a ballot measure that would have asked voters if the \$8.3 million should be spent, was defeated 4-5.

In an attempt to protect the appropriation from future legal challenge, the five members who participated in the meetings Campbell, Dyson, Evans, Jim Barnett and Jim Kubitz also told what happened in the two unannounced sessions, Monday, Aug. 10, in the mayor's office and Tuesday, Aug. 11, in the Capital Projects office. That is one remedy for illegal meetings, according to Municipal Attorney Jerry Wertzbaugher.

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Campbell attended both meetings. He said he assumed both were legal, the first because Knowles has always in the past given public notice and the second because a reporter was present.

"Members of the assembly that met with the mayor on the morning of August 10 were hoodwinked into believing the administration was continuing in good faith to ensure meetings were properly being announced

"This is a serious breach of public trust and has resulted in an appearance that the public process has been contaminated by private closed meetings."

Campbell said he "exercised poor judgment" in not leaving the meetings and he should be disqualified from voting on the appropriation.

Knowles fumed and then dressed down the freshman assembly member.

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"I really would like to hear you say, Mr. Campbell, again, how you feel you were hoodwinked in this particular process."

Campbell: "Specifically, Mr. Mayor, I appreciate, and especially when I first entered office, your overt effort to assure me that the press was noticed everytime we met in your office. We had numerous meetings, and there always was public notice and it built a trust in me that that process was always fulfilled. Just like you said, the public has a right to participate in everything."

Knowles interrupted but Campbell pressed on.

"You asked me to answer, Mr. Mayor, please let me. . . . This is the first time the press had not been notified."

Knowles tried again to respond but acting Assembly Chairman John Wood said he would have to wait until other assemblymen had their turn. Instead, Knowles and Campbell finished their discussion during a break in the meeting.

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BRING ALONG A SCOOP TO WALK YOUR POOCH

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Author: DAVID POSTMAN Daily News reporter ; Staff

Not picking up after Fido could bring a \$1,000 fine under a city pooper scooper law approved Tuesday by the Anchorage Assembly.

The law which goes into effect in 60 days requires all animal excrement dropped on public property to be cleaned up by whoever has "control or supervision of an animal."

The law covers poop dropped on all bike trails, sidewalks, lawns, beaches, flower beds, gardens, ski trails or parking lots. Private property is not covered.

The only exclusions are for seeing eye dogs and police dogs.

The ordinance was introduced by Assemblyman **Craig Campbell**. Campbell said he drafted the law after hearing about, and seeing for himself, the large amount of dog poop on the Coastal Trail and other city parks.

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UNIONS WANT FINK TO GIVE THEM DETAILS

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Negotiations between the city and five labor unions are stalled because Mayor Tom Fink's administration won't give details on what concessions it needs to balance the budget, union officials told the Anchorage Assembly on Saturday. Labor leaders also said they have been unable to find out how many workers would be laid off if they don't agree to make concessions.

"One thing that the membership has made perfectly clear is that they will not consider any action at all, unless they know exactly why it is requested and what the result of that will be," said police union attorney Fred Dichter in a letter to Fink's labor relations manager.

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The Saturday morning meeting was called by Assembly Chairman John Wood in an attempt to get the administration and the unions back to the bargaining table. About 300 city workers crowded the chambers for the meeting, sitting quietly and listening while the heads of their unions spoke of the frustration in dealing with the new administration.

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Fink and members of his administration boycotted the meeting. The only city executive seen was Police Chief Ron Otte. Fink spokesman Bill Blessington, reached at home after the meeting, said the administration would have "no comment or reaction" to the meeting.

Some assembly members said they were uncomfortable about holding the meeting.

"I walked into this room not knowing why we were here," said Assemblyman **Craig Campbell**.

Assemblyman Brad Bradley went further, saying it was inappropriate for the assembly to involve itself in labor negotiations.

"I think we've sort of jumped the gun," he said. "I don't think (the administration) is presenting ultimatums. They're just in the planing process.

"Negotiations will begin again Monday or Tuesday. Unless I've been misinformed."

The crowd told him practically in a chorus that he had been misinformed.

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ASSEMBLYMAN PUSHES FOR CHIEI CENSURE

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Author: DON HUNTER Daily News reporter ; Staff

The Anchorage Assembly Tuesday will be asked to censure acting telephone utility head Fred Chiei and call on Mayor Tom Fink to accept Chiei's resignation.

Chiei has been under fire for nearly two weeks for misleading assembly members in remarks about utility finances at a meeting Feb. 23.

Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** said he is asking his colleagues to join in a vote of no confidence in Chiei. "I feel that what happens in the public confidence (in government) arena is so important that we can't just sit back," Campbell said.

Campbell said he is disturbed because Fink, after first saying he wanted Chiei to try to restore the assembly's confidence in him, went ahead and announced that Chiei would retain his position before the assembly had finished questioning the utility head.

"We hadn't completed the process the mayor had basically put in place," Campbell said. "It never completely happened, and I'm not convinced it's going to happen."

Fink spokesman Bill Blessington said neither the mayor nor Chiei wanted to comment on Campbell's resolution.

At the Feb. 23 meeting, Chiei told the assembly he had been unable to locate money supposedly set aside to cover a potential \$35 million debt to Alascom. The next day, Chiei said the money does exist. He said the confusion arose because he was trying to talk about a sensitive negotiating point with Alascom attorneys in the audience.

Chiei offered his resignation on Feb. 26, but Fink said he wanted the utility chief to try to talk things out with the assembly before deciding whether to accept Chiei's resignation.

Chiei and assembly members had just gotten started on that dialogue when it was cut short Tuesday night by the midnight deadline on city business imposed by the municipal charter. Then Fink shocked assembly members by announcing the next day he had decided not to accept Chiei's resignation.

Assembly Chairman John Wood said he has scheduled a second questionandanswer session with Chiei next Tuesday.

"I think right now I would wait to hear what comes out of that meeting before I say anything," Wood said.

Campbell's resolution says public officials "must project the highest standards of ethics and integrity," and that "public confidence in good government can only be maintained so long as there is never a shadow of a doubt as to a public official's credibility . . ."

It asks the assembly to conclude "that there exists a lack of confidence in the continued performance of Mr. Fred Chiei as the acting general manager of ATU" and to formally censure Chiei. The resolution also says Fink should reconsider his decision to allow Fink to continue in the job.

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ASSEMBLY TEMPERS CHIEI CENSURE VOTE

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Author: DAVID POSTMAN Daily News reporter ; Staff

A move to censure city telephone manager Fred Chiei and ask Mayor Tom Fink to fire him failed Tuesday when the Anchorage Assembly split on whether Chiei lied or not.

Instead, the assembly passed a watereddown version of the censure motion proposed by Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** . It passed on an 83 vote.

Chiei is acting general manager of the Anchorage Telephone Utility and is also advising Fink on all city utility matters.

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COURTHOUSE FINANCING APPROVED

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Author: DON HUNTER Daily News reporter ; Staff

A resolution supporting a plan to provide what officials called municipal norisk financing for a proposed state courthouse here ran into rough sledding before the Anchorage Assembly Tuesday.

The resolution would have said Anchorage agrees to sell revenue bonds to build the courthouse if the state legislature can find no other way to pay for it. The bonds would be sold only if the state promised to pay the \$15 million annual cost of repaying the debt, said Municipal Manager Ron Garzini.

Action on the measure was delayed until late Tuesday night as members tried to achieve a consensus.

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Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** said he listened to citizens discuss the courthouse project last weekend and came away with the belief most question the need for it. "I heard numerous people raise the issue, now is not the time to do the courthouse," Campbell said.

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BUDGET FROM SCHOOL DISTRICT WINS APPROVAL BY ASSEMBLY

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Anchorage Assembly Tuesday night again considered the Anchorage school District budget of \$250 million for next year.

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Assembly members debated an amendment from member **Craig Campbell** to cut another \$2 million from the budget. Campbell argued that since the state constitution orders the state to pay for public education, Anchorage should take as much advantage as it can from the increased state funding coming next year.

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FAIRVIEW RALLIES AGAINST LIQUOR STORE

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Author: DON HUNTER Daily News reporter ; Staff

\ The neighborhood is a quiet little pocket of white houses with green trim, neat lawns and friendly folks. It's the kind of place where you can count on the man who lives next door to chase down your dog when he slips the chain. Your neighbors watch after your kids as if they were their own.

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A couple of years ago, decisions made in the Hill Building drastically changed the sliver of Fairview at the edge of downtown. A Fourth Avenue liquor store that city officials had long considered a source of trouble and suffering was swept aside in a wave of urban renewal. Its patrons, a determined if usually tipsy corps of street drunks, moved east in search of a new source of cheap vodka and cheaper wine.

They settled on a convenience store liquor outlet across the street from Maria Jaeger's beauty shop and right next door to Vincze's bakery. According to the neighbors, they panhandled passersby and harassed children. They slept and sometimes relieved themselves on the sidewalk in front of the bakery. Sometimes, they barged into Jaeger's beauty shop and demanded change from her customers. They quarrelled and fought and cursed through the night. They sat on the retaining wall in front of James Martin's house and emptied their bottles.

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When things looked bleakest, the slump in Anchorage's economy came to the rescue. The convenience store went bankrupt and the liquor store closed late last year. The future of the business is clouded by bankruptcy proceedings, but another convenience store chain wants to reopen the license. The neighborhood has closed against the idea. Last week, the Anchorage Assembly voted to protest the renewal of the license at that location.

Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** helped carry the day. Campbell, who works in a building overlooking the intersection, noticed an almost immediate change when the store closed. He spelled it out in statistics.

The city's community service patrol was called to the neighborhood 67 times in September to pick up people too inebriated to look after themselves, Campbell told the rest of the assembly.

In October, they were called 57 times. In November, 72 times. In December, there were 49 calls.

In January, with the store closed, there were 23 calls. In February, 14 calls.

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FINK VETOES CONDEMNATION LAW

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Mayor Tom Fink used his veto powers for the first time Tuesday, killing a weekold law that changed condemnation laws.

Fink said the new condemnation process created by the Anchorage Assembly "is simply a waste of everyone's time."

The assembly ordinance, sponsored by **Craig Campbell** and Fred Dyson, requires the administration to negotiate with property owners before condemnation powers are granted.

Under the former law, the city would ask for eminent domain authority the power to condemn before any property acquisition began.

Fink said the revised ordinance was an attempt to give the property owner a fair shake, but in fact cuts the public out of the process. The public hearing to determine whether a project is in the public interest, and whether eminent domain should be used, would not be held until after the city has bought property.

Under eminent domain, if a piece of property cannot be bought through negotiations, the city can go to court where a sale price is set.

"Given that extensive private land will have been acquired at expenditure of significant public funds, the assembly will have no practical alternative but to approve eminent domain to acquire the balance of land needed for the project," Fink wrote in his veto message to the assembly.

"The public hearing and assembly consideration which does occur under the ordinance, therefore, is simply a waste of everyone's time and adds delay in the development of projects with no corresponding improvement in the decisionmaking process," he wrote.

The vetoed ordinance passed 65. So Fink and assembly members said it is highly unlikely there would be the eight votes needed to override the veto.

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MAYOR TARGETS FIRE STATION, FOUR LIBRARIES IN BUDGET CUTS SOME ASSEMBLYMEN SAY ARTS CENTER IS BETTER CHOICE TO REDUCE SPENDING

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Thursday, June 9, 1988
Author: DON HUNTER Daily News reporter ; Staff

Closing four branch libraries, the Government Hill fire station and widespread cuts to parks and recreation programs top the list of proposed budget reductions suggested by Mayor Tom Fink.

The Anchorage Assembly reviewed the list Wednesday, and some members only had to look out the window of a Hill Building conference room to find a better target.

They looked across Sixth Avenue to the nearly completed performing arts center. They may also have looked to a survey of community sentiment Fink commissioned in late May.

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The arts center, on the other hand, has become an easy target, a symbol of excess to disgruntled taxpayers.

The assembly budgeted \$750,000 this year to pay for the opening and five months' operation of the arts center, now scheduled to debut this fall. Assemblymen **Craig Campbell** and Larry Baker, among others, say it may be time to reel that money back in.

Or, at least, what is left of it.

Campbell and Baker suggested mothballing the \$70 million arts center, at least until next year.

Maybe longer.

But \$250,000 of the arts center money already has been disbursed to a nonprofit management corporation set up by the city to operate the facility. Even if the center doesn't open for business this year, the city still will have to pay to heat it and keep the building secure.

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TAX QUESTION RINGS NO SALE

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Author: DAVID POSTMAN Daily News reporter ; Staff

No member of the Anchorage Assembly was surprised Tuesday when person after person said voters should not be asked to approve a city sales tax.

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Craig Campbell said he would support asking voters to approve a sales tax when it's needed. "We don't need the money now," he said. "The issue isn't money, it's expenses.

"That's the problem with local government, we don't look at how to bring down the true cost of government, we try to find more money."

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FINK: OPEN LABOR TALKS TO PUBLIC

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Mayor Tom Fink, never a fan of open meetings, said Thursday that the public should be allowed to watch all city labor negotiations. And if the city and the unions can't agree on a contract, Fink said, the public should go to the polls and vote on the proposal.

Fink said that since the Anchorage Assembly can now sit in on negotiations, the process might as well be completely open. "Then it's very clear. It's very open," he said. "It's not the murky situation we think we have now."

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Assembly members, though, said Fink is less interested in an open process than he is in punishing the assembly for passing the new package of labor laws that gives it access to negotiations.

"This is not an issue of public access," said Assemblyman **Craig Campbell**. He said assembly members wanted to sit in on negotiations to make sure they had accurate information when they vote on the union contracts.

"This all seems really a reaction that is far beyond what the assembly wanted," he said. "The assembly did not want to change the law . . . just get good information."

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DEVELOPMENT, DESIGN BOARDS GET NEW LIFE

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Author: DON HUNTER Daily News reporter ; Staff

The Anchorage Assembly extended the lives of two popular city boards Tuesday and questioned Mayor Tom Fink's motives for wanting to do away with one of them.

The Anchorage Economic Development Corp. and the Urban Design Commission were scheduled to expire. Fink and Paula Easley, director of the Department of Planning and Economic Development, had proposed killing the design commission to save money, and Municipal Attorney Richard Kibby says the way board members of the development corporation are selected may violate the city charter.

Neither argument carried much weight Tuesday, although they did raise the temperatures of some assembly supporters of the two boards.

After arguing the point for several minutes, assembly members decided Fink was more concerned with controlling the memberships of city boards than constitutional issues.

"There are always hidden agendas," an angry Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** concluded. "(This) has to do with whether the mayor can get people he wants on the board of directors . . . (and) stack AEDC with his political friends."

The AEDC extension won unanimous approval. The UDC was extended by a 7-3 vote, with Campbell, John Wood and Fred Dyson opposed.

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ASSEMBLY OVERRIDES MAYOR'S VETO OF SCHOOL BUDGET

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Author: STEVE RINEHART Daily News reporter ; Staff

The Anchorage Assembly overrode Mayor Tom Fink's school budget veto on Tuesday, then set the local property tax rate to fund public schools at the preveto level.

Outside the meeting hall in Z.J. Loussac Library, dozens of people, including many teachers, carried signs condemning Fink for seeking to cut the Anchorage School District budget by about \$7.5 million. "Veto Fink," read one.

Inside, there were so many people that security guards, on orders from the Anchorage Fire Department, ordered everyone without a seat to stand out in the lobby. They cheered when the assembly voted 10 1 to override the veto that Fink announced on Friday.

Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** of Eagle River cast the lone vote backing the mayor. "People, except for school teachers, have been telling me to cut the budget," he said.

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ASSEMBLY PLACES TOBACCO TAX ON CITY BALLOT

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The Anchorage Assembly voted Tuesday to put a 10 percent tobacco tax on next October's municipal election ballot.

The 8-3 vote came after health advocates decried the disease and "social costs" brought on by smoking and chewing tobacco, and after businessmen complained about unfair taxation.

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Assembly members John Wood, **Craig Campbell** and Pat Parnell voted against the measure.

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TOWN SQUARE STANDS TRUE TO ITS ROOTS ASSEMBLY REJECTS FINK'S ROAD PLAN

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Wednesday, July 26, 1989

Author: DON HUNTER Daily News reporter ; Staff

Mayor Tom Fink's plan to drive a road across the Town Square was shot down quickly Tuesday by Anchorage Assembly members who said it would divide the community unnecessarily.

Fink said the road is necessary to provide safe entry to the Alaska Center for the Performing Arts. The center and the Town Square occupy adjoining blocks between Fifth and Sixth avenues and E and G streets. The center sits on what used to be F Street.

The mayor's proposal was tabled on a 10-1 vote, and assembly members said they hope the vote buries the issue for good. Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** sided with the mayor.

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MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS SEAT 2 C POLITICAL GADFLY TAKES ON INCUMBENT ASSEMBLYMAN FROM EAGLE RIVER

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Tuesday, September 19, 1989
Author: DON HUNTER Daily News reporter ; Staff

Craig Campbell says the city should sell the \$72 million performing arts center for a \$15 million minimum bid, and let charity care for public drunks.

"I like to delve in the weird," said the Eagle River assemblyman.

He has company. Campbell is running for reelection against Tom Staudenmaier, a cranky gadfly who has attacked utilities and politicians for more than a decade.

Campbell is 37, married to Anne Marie, father of 15-year-old Melanie and 9-year-old Amanda. He is an airport planner, employed by Coffman Associates.

Staudenmaier is a perennial candidate. His campaigns have often been cut short by election law violations.

Staudenmaier could not be contacted for an interview. The telephone number he gave election officials belongs to his bookkeeper, who said she usually only sees him at yearend.

District 2 sprawls from Eklutna to a portion of Mountain View, and includes Birchwood, Chugiak, Eagle River and parts of Muldoon.

After winning his first term by a handful of votes in 1986, Campbell appears to have an easier time this year. Staudenmaier has filed reports saying he won't spend any money, and he hasn't made many campaign appearances; Campbell has spent more than \$1,000 and had \$1,700 in reserve, according to a report filed 30 days before the election.

Campbell would seem to be a natural ally of Mayor Tom Fink. Both say they believe in keeping government small and transferring conventional public services to private enterprise. Campbell was the only assembly member who voted for Fink's hardline plan for negotiating with city unions.

"I think he's done a very poor job of administering the city government," Campbell said. "But I think a lot of his goals are real good. . . . It's the way he's attempted to reach those goals that's very discouraging."

Campbell said ATU should be sold. He doesn't argue a privately owned utility would operate more efficiently or more cheaply.

"I'm not saying it would operate better," he said. "ATU is operating real good right now. . . . I'm not convinced PacTel is going to provide it better. I am convinced it's not going to be worse going to a private company."

The utility should be sold simply because it can be, Campbell said. Any city service that can be operated privately, should be.

Campbell would sell Municipal Light & Power and the Alaska Center for the Performing Arts and have the city issue contracts for services ranging from garbage collection to health clinics. Others, like the care and treatment of public drunks, might be taken over by churches, he said.

Campbell would sell the \$72 million arts center to anyone willing to pay \$15 million for it. If it sold, the city would no longer have to pay \$1.5 million to \$3 million each year to subsidize the center's operations, and could bank the proceeds and use the interest, he said.

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OPINION

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Section Two, Seat C **Craig Campbell** frequently exhibited a narrow and kneejerk approach to government during his first term, but he's a veritable Solomon compared to his opponent, indefatigable troublemaker Tom Staudenmaier. No contest Mr. Campbell's the one.

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LABOR, LIQUOR MONEY FUELED CAMPAIGNS APOC REPORT DETAILS POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Monday, October 23, 1989
Author: STEVE RINEHART Daily News reporter ; Staff

The liquor industry, labor organizations and Carr Gottstein Inc. bought heavily into the recent Anchorage Assembly election campaign, according to reports filed with the Alaska Public Offices Commission. They were among a host of special interests that provided the bulk of local election financing, according to postelection reports that list people, businesses and groups that gave more than \$100 to campaigns or causes.

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"We are not in favor of taxing small businesses, and we would not support anyone who favors special taxes on alcohol," said Roy Devincenzi, owner of a bar and restaurant supply house and until last week the president of the Anchorage Restaurant and Beverage Association.

That group and the Cabaret Hotel and Restaurant Retail Association donated to Jim Barnett, John Wood, **Craig Campbell** and Jim Kubitz.

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Another corporate player in this campaign was General Communications Inc. the longdistance calling company better known by its acronym, GCI. It gave \$500 each to Porter and Wood, and \$1,000 each to Campbell and Barnett.

Three GCI executives added another \$1,450 to Barnett's campaign purse, helping to make him the bestfinanced of all the assembly candidates. Barnett reported collecting about \$45,000 in cash and other contributions.

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MAYOR TAKES A SHOT AT POT FINK WANTS ORDINANCE MAKING MARIJUANA POSSESSION A CRIME

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Friday, November 10, 1989
Author: STEVE RINEHART Daily News reporter ; Staff

Mayor Tom Fink said Thursday he wants to make it illegal for people in Anchorage to keep marijuana in their homes, though he is not sure how many homes that may be or how much money or how many police it may take to enforce such a law.

He made his announcement at a press conference, flanked by the three Anchorage Assembly members who have agreed to sponsor an ordinance making marijuana possession a crime.

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The other assembly sponsors are **Craig Campbell** and Fred Dyson, both from Eagle River.

The law allowing adults to possess up to 4 ounces of marijuana is based on a 1975 state Supreme Court ruling in the Ravin case. Basically, the court decided there was not evidence that marijuana was harmful enough to justify police invading the privacy of people's homes.

Under the proposed city law, people could be sent to prison for one year and fined \$5,000.

There is some question the city can even pass such a law, given the separate powers given to the state and home rule cities such as Anchorage. "It's not clear cut. I don't think it's a question we've been asked before," said Assistant Attorney General Marjorie Odland.

City Attorney Richard Kibby said he expects the city law would be challenged. He estimated it would cost the city about \$50,000 to fight the case. He said the city's case would be strengthened by new studies showing marijuana is a health hazard.

There are also new studies showing it's not, said attorney Don Clocksin, a former House speaker and past president of the American Civil Liberties Union, whose law partner Robert Wagstaff argued the Ravin case at the high court.

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ASSEMBLY WON'T CENSURE CAMPBELL

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Wednesday, November 15, 1989
Author: STEVE RINEHART Daily News reporter ; Staff

The Anchorage Assembly on Tuesday ignored the recommendation of the city Ethics Board and refused to censure one of its members, **Craig Campbell** of Eagle River.

The ethics panel determined that Campbell had violated the city's conflict of interest code because in October 1988 his firm bid on a city job to develop a master plan for Merrill Field.

In the written conclusion to its five month investigation, given to the assembly on Sept. 22 and made public Tuesday night, the citizen panel recommended "that the assembly administer a public censure" of Campbell.

In particular, the board noted Campbell had not posted notice of his intent to do business with the city before his firm entered a bid.

The board, chaired by attorney Russell Arnett, said the notice is necessary so the public knows when officials are trying to get city contracts.

Campbell acknowledged that failure, but said the city code was confusing on the point.

"At the time, I did not know if we would be bidding or not," he said Tuesday.

He pointed out that he had contacted the Ethics Board before his airport planning firm, Coffman and Associates, bid for the work. The board responded that the city code would not allow Coffman to get the contract.

Campbell said he had not worked on the company's proposal, and another company officer submitted the bid despite the Ethics Board response.

The city purchasing office, at Campbell's request, rejected Coffman's bid after the company's attorney agreed with the Ethics Board.

Writing the assembly's response, Chairwoman Heather Flynn concurred that Campbell should have filed the intent notice before his firm bid for the job.

However, Flynn wrote, the law is ambiguous about when a city official should post that notice. And, she said there is no evidence Campbell "in any way misled or sought to mislead the Ethics Board."

Campbell said he felt his character had been impugned by the Ethics Board, and restored by the assembly's refusal to accept the board's opinion.

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SOME ASSEMBLYMEN PUSH NEW ATU VOTE

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Saturday, March 3, 1990

Author: STEVE RINEHART Daily News reporter ; Staff

Some assembly members, with backing from Mayor Tom Fink, have moved to get the question of selling Anchorage Telephone Utility in front of city voters again.

Last fall, despite a \$1.2 million sellATU advertising campaign and a \$412 million purchase bid from Pacific Telecom Inc., voters rejected the idea.

But a slim majority about 52 percent voted for the sale, and that has given proponents ammunition in the campaign unveiled Friday. Both John Wood, who is leading the prosale assembly group, and Municipal Manager Larry Crawford predicted there would be an effort to overturn the city charter's requirement for a 60 percent supermajority vote to sell major assets like ATU.

Wood is submitting an ordinance to the assembly Tuesday to place the sale question on next fall's ballot, along with a resolution saying how the city would conduct the sale this time. Jim Kubitz, **Craig Campbell** and Fred Dyson are listed as cosponsors.

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CITY TO KEEP ON FLOURIDATING THE WATER

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Wednesday, March 21, 1990
Author: STEVE RINEHART Daily News reporter ; Staff

The Anchorage Assembly on Tuesday voted to continue fluoridating the public water supply.

The 63 assembly vote came after three marathon public hearings that pitted the medical establishment against a determined group that blamed fluoride for everything from cancer to civil rights violations.

By the time the final hearing ended, more than 90 people had testified.

Assembly members rehashed the major arguments, then voted quickly.

"You shouldn't have fluoride imposed on you by the government," Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** said, joining John Wood and Fred Dyson to oppose fluoridation.

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FINK VETOES CHILD CARE ORDINANCE, SAYS HE EXPECTS THE VETO TO STAND

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Saturday, April 14, 1990
Author: DUSTY RHODES Daily News reporter ; Staff

Mayor Tom Fink on Friday vetoed the childcare ordinance passed by the Anchorage Assembly earlier this week.

In announcing his veto, Fink said the ordinance did not allow parents enough choice because it banned spanking and required fullday preschools to meet the same standards as licensed childcare centers.

Although the ordinance passed by eight votes enough to override a veto Fink said he believes his veto will be sustained. He said Assemblyman Pat Parnell, who voted for the ordinance, would not vote to override. Parnell did not return phone messages asking for comment.

The ordinance, a revision of childcare center regulations, prohibited childcare center employees from using corporal punishment and required fullday preschools to meet municipal licensing standards, including a stafftochild ratio of one adult to 10 preschoolers.

Assemblyman **Craig Campbell**, who was absent when the assembly voted on the ordinance, said he would not vote to override Fink's veto because he agreed with the mayor's stand on corporal punishment.

"A lot of the people that testified (at public hearings on the ordinance) said the Bible says that that type of discipline is acceptable, and I support their belief," Campbell said. "Whether they're right or wrong is not significant here. We should allow them all those options."

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PARNELL'S VOTE ALLOWS VETO OF CHILD CARE LAW TO STAND

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Wednesday, April 25, 1990

Author: DUSTY RHODES Daily News reporter ; Staff

The Anchorage Assembly on Tuesday failed to override Mayor Tom Fink's veto of a controversial child care ordinance. But that same ordinance, along with another version proposed by Fink, is scheduled to go before the assembly again in September.

The vetoed ordinance, a revision of childcare center regulations, would have banned spanking in childcare centers and required fullday preschools to meet the same standards as licensed childcare centers.

Recalling that debate over the ordinance had dominated the assembly's agenda for weeks, several assembly members asked Assemblyman Pat Parnell, the swing vote on the issue, to join the veto override so that the marathon public hearing process wouldn't have to start again.

Instead, Parnell gave the assembly a list of "compromise amendments" he had drafted Monday during a meeting with representatives of Anchorage Baptist Temple and Tom Thumb Montessori Schools, two preschool operations that lobbied vigorously against the ordinance.

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Assemblymen **Craig Campbell**, Fred Dyson, Wood and Parnell voted to sustain the mayor's veto, leaving the assembly one vote short of the eight votes needed to override.

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GAS TAX GOES ON FALL BALLOT ASSEMBLY DEFIES FINK VETO

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Wednesday, August 15, 1990

Author: STEVE RINEHART Daily News reporter ; Staff

The Anchorage Assembly, voting Tuesday to override Mayor Tom Fink's veto, placed a gas tax on the October election ballot.

If approved by voters, the 4 cents per gallon tax on gasoline and diesel fuel would most likely go into effect at the first of the year. It would not apply to aviation or marine fuels.

Eight assembly members voted to override the minimum needed. John Wood, Brian Porter and **Craig Campbell** voted with the mayor.

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ASSEMBLY OKS CHILD CARE RULES, SPANKING BAN

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Wednesday, September 19, 1990

Author: DUSTY RHODES Daily News reporter ; Staff

After debating almost an hour Tuesday night, the Anchorage Assembly for the second time approved a controversial ordinance that prohibits child-care center staffers from spanking children and requires full-day preschools to meet the stricter licensing standards that govern child-care centers.

The assembly first approved the ordinance in April, but Mayor Tom Fink vetoed the measure and the assembly was unable to override his veto. Contacted by phone Tuesday night, Fink said he hadn't decided whether he would veto the ordinance again.

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The three dissenting votes were cast by Assemblymen Fred Dyson, **Craig Campbell** and John Wood. Campbell and Dyson objected to the ordinance's corporal punishment limitation, at the center of the assembly's debate Tuesday night. The assembly spent most of the time discussing three proposed corporal punishment amendments. Only an amendment offered by Campbell came to a vote.

After leaving the assembly table several times during the debate to confer with Glenn Clary, assistant pastor of Anchorage Baptist Temple, Campbell proposed allowing staff to administer spankings with prior written consent from parents.

Campbell said he was offering the amendment for religious and practical reasons.

"If both parents are working . . . to expect them to take off at 9:30 in the morning from their jobs and discipline their child is unrealistic," he said.

His proposal was rejected by a 3-8 vote, with Wood and Dyson supporting Campbell. The assembly finally decided that the best answer to the corporal punishment issue was the one already in the ordinance. It states:

"Corporal punishment is prohibited unless administered by the child's parent or legal guardian."

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ASSEMBLY OKS CHILD-CARE LAW, SPANKING BAN 8-2 VOTE OVERRIDES MAYOR'S VETO

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Wednesday, September 26, 1990

Author: DUSTY RHODES Daily News reporter ; Staff

Mayor Tom Fink, saying parents deserve a choice in child-care services, for the second time vetoed an ordinance that bans most spanking in child-care centers. But the Anchorage Assembly voted Tuesday night to override his veto, ending a months-long debate.

Assemblymen **Craig Campbell** and Fred Dyson cast the dissenting votes in the 8-2 decision.

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ASSEMBLY TACKLES ATU SALE AGAIN

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Monday, April 29, 1991

Author: STEVE RINEHART Daily News reporter ; Staff

Plans to sell Anchorage Telephone Utility will be aired publicly Tuesday, after months of political pushing and pulling aimed at putting the idea back before the voters this fall.

The Anchorage Assembly is considering a package of legislation put together largely by Assemblyman John Wood and Mayor Tom Fink that outlines how the utility would be sold and sets a schedule for putting the sale question before the voters in October.

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The arguments for and against selling ATU have not changed much since 1989.

"Government should not be in this business," Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** said. Government plods along; the telecommunications industry needs to sprint to stay ahead, he said.

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CITY HALL BUILDING GETS OK

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Wednesday, July 24, 1991
Author: STEVE RINEHART Daily News reporter ; Staff

Anchorage will get a new city hall a four-story building covering a full block downtown the Anchorage Assembly decided on Tuesday.

Under a plan adopted on a 6-5 vote, the city will lease space for 25 years at a total cost of about \$65 million. The city would get an option to buy the building, for cost. During the first five years that would be an estimated \$27 million to \$30 million, according to city figures. Mayor Tom Fink has been a strong supporter of the plan.

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Still, assemblyman **Craig Campbell** said, Anchorage needs its own city hall. "With this, we will be moving toward ownership. It's a step we're making to join the rest of America," he said.

Assembly members voting in favor of building a new city hall were Brian Porter, Jim Kubitz, Joe Evans, Red Boucher, Fred Dyson and **Craig Campbell**. Against the proposal were: Jim Barnett, Heather Flynn, Bill Faulkner, Mark Begich and John Wood.

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GROUP SURVIVES THREAT TO FUNDING PLANNED PARENTHOOD AVOIDS NEW CUT

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Wednesday, July 31, 1991

Author: CHARLES WOHLFORTH Daily News Reporter ; Staff

A pair of assembly members tried unsuccessfully Tuesday night to strip Planned Parenthood of \$4,000 in primarily state funding the amount it spent on a pair of newspaper advertisements opposing the U.S. Supreme Court's abortion "gag rule" decision.

The full-page advertisements in Anchorage's daily newspapers early this month called on readers to contact their representatives in Congress to overturn the court's decision. The court had upheld federal regulations denying all federal funding to organizations that tell women about abortion.

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The \$2.1 million, mostly in state money, that the assembly was handing out to 42 social service agencies Tuesday night had nothing to do with the gag rule. But Eagle River assembly members **Craig Campbell** and Fred Dyson thought it should. Campbell said Planned Parenthood's \$12,000 grant should be reduced by the cost of the ads which Hurdle told him was \$4,000. The group's grant was already cut by \$4,000 from last year.

Campbell questioned Hurdle from his seat above her at the assembly table.

"Do you think, as an assembly member up here, that it's good public policy to give social service block grants to run an ad of this kind?" Campbell asked Hurdle. "Do you think that's good public policy?"

Hurdle said the agency used no public money on the ads, which she said fit with the group's educational mission.

Campbell said the ad was clearly political and shouldn't be paid for by a non-profit organization receiving public money. He said the money the agency spent, whatever the source, could have displaced the funding he wanted to cut.

Campbell said his opposition to the funding had nothing to do with his own opposition to abortion.

"Some people here know how I feel on this issue, but this is not a political issue," Campbell said.

"Abortion is a very sensitive, emotional issue for both sides."

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Ultimately, Campbell's move received only two votes, his and Dyson's.

Afterward, Hurdle said she thought Campbell had been trying to gag Planned Parenthood.

"I think it had to do with his personal opinions about abortion rights, and I think that doesn't belong here," she said.

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ASSEMBLY VOTES TO PUT PTI'S BID ON THE BALLOT

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Wednesday, August 14, 1991

Author: CHARLES WOHLFORTH and STEVE RINEHART Daily News reporters ; Staff

Both bidders for the Anchorage Telephone utility will be on the Oct. 1 sale ballot, the Anchorage Assembly voted Tuesday night.

The assembly reversed a decision it made three weeks ago to ask voters to approve a sale question that would carry only the name of Citizens Utilities. Tuesday it decided to also put Pacific Telecom Inc. on the ballot.

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"When the political heat got hot, we started to vacillate," said assembly member **Craig Campbell**, who wanted to stay with the old ballot plan. "It depends on how hard the wind is blowing, in which direction, for which decision we make. And I think that's real disappointing, because it means we are going to lose the ATU sale."

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But Campbell said, "PTI has some pretty heavy hitters that contribute money and help some of the politicians who are elected to this body. And if they call, we listen."

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ASSEMBLY OVERRIDES FINK ON PLANNED VETO OF GRANT TO PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Wednesday, July 22, 1992

Author: STEVE RINEHART Daily News reporter ; Staff

The Anchorage Assembly on Tuesday overrode Mayor Tom Fink's veto of a \$23,000 grant to Planned Parenthood. Fink objected to giving money to the private social service agency, saying he thought "they're too active on abortion."

His two supporters on the assembly, Dick Traini and **Craig Campbell**, made similar arguments.

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ASSEMBLY ENDS MARATHON ON PROPOSAL FOR GAY RIGHTS

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Thursday, January 7, 1993
Author: STEVE RINEHART Daily News reporter ; Staff

When Assembly Chairman **Craig Campbell** hammered shut the public hearing on a city gay rights proposal Wednesday evening, there was scattered applause, a wave of relief and a round of congratulations. So ended the longest hearing anyone on the assembly could remember. It lasted 15 hours, spread over five days. More than 150 people testified, according to the city clerk's log. And, it appeared that no single mind on the assembly or at least not one vote had been changed.

The most controversial question of the year of 1992, that is is scheduled for a vote Tuesday. Unless the lineup changes, the measure is likely to be approved by a bare six-vote majority. Then, if Mayor Tom Fink stands by his promise, it will be vetoed.

Assembly members for and against the measure said they doubted there are enough votes eight are needed to beat the veto.

Heather Flynn, Pat Abney, Jim Kubitz, Mark Begich, John Wood and Jim Barnett all said they support the measure. Campbell, Dick Traini and Bill Faulkner said they oppose it. Chuck Landers of Eagle River would not say one way or the other on Wednesday.

The proposal would add sexual orientation to the city's civil rights code. The law now protects people from discrimination on the basis of sex, color, race, national origin, age, marital status, religion or physical handicap.

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NO ELECTION? CAMPAIGN CASH PAYS OTHER BILLS

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Tuesday, February 9, 1993
Author: STEVE RINEHART Daily News reporter ; Staff

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Craig Campbell reported no expenses, but collected \$4,250 in December, all from GCI Communications Corp. and executives of the firm. He said he hit GCI up for donations as part of his campaign to get re-elected in April.

Twice in the past three years, GCI has fought the city's attempts to sell the city-owned Anchorage Telephone Utility, especially attempts to sell it to GCI's competitor.

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TAXES ON CITY AGENDA LIQUOR, FUEL, SALES MAKE ASSEMBLY LIST

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Monday, February 15, 1993
Author: STEVE RINEHART Daily News reporter ; Staff

Sales tax. Booze tax. Gas tax. Even a higher tobacco tax. The Anchorage Assembly is considering them all and trying to figure out which to send to the voters in the April 20 city election. Most assembly members figure at least one tax proposal will make it to the spring ballot. The question, several said, is which could win voter approval and bring in enough money to be worth the trouble. The ideas come up for public hearing Tuesday.

The tax debate has taken on new urgency this year because both the public school system and the city government are running out of money. The Anchorage School Board passed a budget last fall that was \$10 million in the red. The assembly balanced the city budget, but only by making \$4 million in service cuts and putting off millions in maintenance and retirement bills.

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Tax opponent **Craig Campbell**, assemblyman from Eagle River, offered about the same opinion as Begich, that local government is going broke. But he says that's because money is being spent inefficiently or on the wrong things such as arts and social services.

Campbell said he welcomes a fiscal crisis because it may force the government to drop some services and put some others, such as snow removal, out on private contract.

"I don't think we need them (new taxes)," Campbell said. "I will probably be in the minority."

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MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS '93 EAGLE RIVER VOTERS WILL FIND FAMILIAR NAMES ON THEIR BALLOT

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Monday, April 12, 1993
Author: MARILEE ENGE Daily News reporter ; Staff

Craig Campbell is running for his third term representing Eagle River on the Anchorage Assembly, and the competition is beginning to look the same as it did last time around. Perennial, one-issue candidate Tom Staudenmaier is running, continuing his 10-year quest for a forum where he can pitch his idea to merge Anchorage's two electrical utilities.

The only other candidate, Pickle Barrel sandwich chain owner David Walker, withdrew on Thursday. Walker said he entered the District 2 race to work for campaign reform, and had accepted no contributions or endorsements. But he decided to drop out because he feared his opposition to Proposition 1, the gay-rights ordinance, would hurt business at his sandwich shops.

"I'm staying out of politics," he declared. "I'm never going to do this again."

Walker's name remains on the ballot, however, and any votes he gets will be counted, said Rosemary Slisz, election coordinator at the city clerk's office.

That leaves as active candidates only Campbell and Staudenmaier, who won 77 and 23 percent of the vote, respectively, in the last election.

Campbell, 41, the father of two daughters, is an aviation planner by trade who spends much of his time on his part-time job as assemblyman. He's an outspoken conservative who thinks Tom Fink is a little too close to the center. He just completed a year as assembly chairman.

The Eagle River-Chugiak area is about as conservative as Anchorage gets and Campbell said people there are adamantly opposed to the 4 percent sales tax on the April 20 ballot.

"They want to bring the cost of government down before we start asking for increased revenues," he said.

He said he'll continue his efforts to cut city government, including eliminating all funding for the arts, selling utilities like the city's garbage-collection service, and eliminating middle managers in jobs created by Fink.

"We've got special assistants running around who are making \$60,000, \$70,000 a year and they're not producing anything," he said.

He would contract out more city services, including health clinics.

Campbell opposes the gay rights ordinance because he believes homosexuality isn't normal behavior and shouldn't be protected. Like other opponents, he fears that homosexuality will be taught in the schools. And he said the city should have the ability to restrict gays from working in food preparation and health care because of the threat of AIDS.

Staudenmaier claims his Electric Merger Committee is backed by 5,000 to 6,000 unnamed people "everything from a Baptist preacher to a whorehouse." He has repeatedly refused to name them publicly or list contributions. He wants to sell Municipal Light and Power to Chugach Electric Association and eliminate what he claims is \$60 million in duplication.

Staudenmaier's next favorite cause is repealing the "queer issue," as he calls Proposition 1.

"I'm just a chauvinist, red-neck pig who spent a couple years in Vietnam," is how Tom Staudenmaier describes himself.

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OPINION ENDORSEMENTS FOR ASSEMBLY

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Thursday, April 15, 1993

Author: Staff

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District 2 **Craig Campbell**

No contest in several ways

Incumbent **Craig Campbell** and the Daily News disagree on many issues. Undoubtedly his completed ballot will look a lot different than ours on Tuesday. Nevertheless, we support him in this election.

Like Mayor Tom Fink, **Craig Campbell** has made smaller government his goal, but unlike the mayor, he has been willing to work with his assembly colleagues to obtain it. Like Mr. Fink, he's a fiscal conservative, but unlike the mayor, he's capable of compromising or learning from people who don't share his views.

If, as expected, Anchorage is forced to make major spending reductions in the coming year, the assembly will need members committed to fashioning a leaner government that still serves the community effectively. We believe **Craig Campbell** will be such an assemblyman.

Unquestionably, our decision to support **Craig Campbell** is made easier by his opponent, the loathsome Tom Staudenmaier. Mr. Staudenmaier wore out the monicker "gadfly" years ago. He's a loud one-man band who plays out of key. His boorish bluster must be tolerated every campaign season the man is a perennial candidate but Tom Staudenmaier would be insufferable as an elected official.

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MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS '93 RELIGIOUS RIGHT, CANDIDATES CLASH

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Saturday, April 17, 1993

Author: STEVE RINEHART and MARILEE ENGE Daily News reporters ; Staff

The Anchorage Assembly campaign, already rocked by the gay-rights fight, rolled Friday into a confrontation between two candidates and the local dean of the religious right Pastor Jerry Prevo. Angry about a campaign mailer that accused him of back-room dealings and twisted his record on the gay rights ordinance, Assemblyman Jim Barnett lashed back against what he called an attack by Christian fundamentalists. In a radio advertisement, he played back a message he says a woman left on his home telephone answering machine Sunday.

Johnston's group, Citizens to Repeal the Homosexual Ordinance, is backing a full slate of candidates: Bell, Joe Murdy in Spenard, Eddie Burke in Muldoon, incumbent **Craig Campbell** in Eagle River, Gloria Shriver from downtown and Kevin Meyer of Midtown. Those candidates share at least one position: They oppose the gay-rights law that started this battle. The law made it illegal for the city or its major contractors to discriminate against workers on the basis of sexual orientation.

Johnston said his group chose candidates it thought were strong enough to win, but did not contact them in advance. It came as unwelcome news to some, he said. "We have gotten a little flak as a result."

But, he said, since the state Supreme Court pulled the gay-rights question off Tuesday's city election ballot, people should know which candidates oppose the law and may vote to overturn it.

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4 GROUPS GIVE GENEROUSLY TO CANDIDATES

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Sunday, April 18, 1993

Author: STEVE RINEHART Daily News reporter ; Staff

Four special interests likely to have important business with the Anchorage Assembly are spending generously to help get their favorite candidates elected on Tuesday. Three are traditional heavyweights in city elections: the liquor industry, the Carr-Gottstein family and related firms, and the city labor unions. They have been joined by a fourth General Communication Inc., the long-distance phone company. Together they have kicked nearly \$100,000 into assembly election campaigns this season, according to reports the candidates must file with the Alaska Public Offices Commission.

An analysis of those reports by the Daily News shows the support from these major interests varies from one candidate to the next, but in some cases accounts for half or more of campaign treasuries. An example is South Anchorage incumbent Jim Barnett, who has raised more money than any other candidate running in the city election more than \$75,000 so far to fight off a challenge from engineering company owner Robert Bell.

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Downtown candidate Gordon Glaser reported getting the most union money, about \$8,450. Joe Murdy and Duane French also got substantial labor support. The unions even gave about \$2,500 to **Craig Campbell** an unusual choice, since he has been no ally of the unions. He said he figured it was "a sign that they wanted to work with me."

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GCI joined the big givers club in recent years when the city began trying to sell its telephone company. GCI representatives said they feared their firm would be put out of business if its main competitor, Alascom, bought the Anchorage Telephone Utility.

ATU sale plans are now dormant. But, GCI executive Wilson Hughes said in an interview early in the campaign, "The snake could rear his head and bite again."

Hughes said the company wants assembly members who favor competition in the phone business. GCI gave the most to Campbell, who faces only token opposition in the race, but has also supported Wohlforth and Burke.

"There are no strings attached. They know I want to sell ATU," Campbell said. But he also has opposed sale terms that would invite one company to take over the business.

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BUDGET OUTLOOK IS GRIM CITY LEADERS BRACE FOR BATTLE OVER CUTS

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City leaders on Tuesday got such a grim view of the city budget deficit that they began serious talk of drastic measures such as employee wage freezes, hiring freezes and wholesale program cuts. Nobody at City Hall seems to know how wide looms the gap between revenues and the costs of running the government. But official estimates range from \$10 million to \$20 million next year.

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Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** on Tuesday presented a plan to save an estimated \$2 million by cutting about 45 jobs, targeting midlevel administrative staff.

"We need to keep service providers and cut paper shufflers," he said.

His proposed cuts include Fink's special assistant and two top aides whose jobs involve lobbying Congress about wetlands and trying to drum up business with other countries.

"They are the mayor's political cronies," Campbell said. "Like, we really need a foreign office."

Fink called that "pure vindictiveness." Instead of cutting the budget, he said he wants to cut workers' pay and sell the city's land and utilities.

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NEW ASSEMBLY VOTES SWIFTLY TO REPEAL CITY GAY-RIGHTS LAW

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The city gay-rights law, after spinning loose a whirlwind of emotion and turning city politics upside down, died quickly Tuesday night. The Anchorage Assembly voted it off the books, 7-4. The vote was expected. There was almost no debate. And, compared with the marathon hearings that preceded passage of the law Jan. 12, there was little testimony.

The law banned job discrimination against city workers on the basis of sexual orientation.

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Voting to repeal the ordinance were Bob Bell, Bill Faulkner, Joe Murdy, Kevin Meyer, Cheryl Clementson, Dick Traini and **Craig Campbell**. Voting to keep it were Chuck Landers, Charles Wohlforth, Pat Abney and Mark Begich.

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HATE CRIMES COULD RECEIVE TOUGH ASSEMBLY ADVISORY

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Anchorage Assemblyman Kevin Meyer has taken such a strong stand against hate crimes that his colleagues have asked him to tone down his language. Bemoaning the plight of homeless people beaten because they're homeless, homosexuals beaten because they're homosexual and Natives beaten because they're Native, Meyer asked the assembly last week to approve a symbolic statement urging the state's courts to be extra-tough on criminals who act out of intolerance for other people.

Since the assembly has no official power to direct the state courts how to punish criminals, Meyer said his purpose was simply to send a message that crimes "committed out of prejudice, or hate, or however you want to say it biasness I guess is the wording should receive the maximum penalty."

One thing Meyer didn't realize is that the state already has a law urging judges to hand out stiffer sentences when "the defendant knowingly directed the conduct constituting the offense at a victim because of that person's race, sex, color, creed, physical or mental disability, ancestry or national origin."

But not knowing the law was the least of Meyer's problems during last week's assembly meeting, when, to his surprise, he was tongue-lashed by **Craig Campbell** and Cheryl Clementson for suggesting a violent crime inspired by prejudice is worse than one that isn't.

Using the example of a person thumped over the head by a robber and another person thumped over the head because he's hated, Campbell said he couldn't see how the emotional lumps would be any different.

"Why would we go back and suddenly say that violent crime that was motivated by bias was worse than that violent crime motivated by greed, by stupidity, by drugs, by anything else that causes crime in our community?" Campbell said.

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AUDIT: AEDC OVERSTATES JOBS BUT AGENCY HAS NOT MISUSED FUNDS, SAYS MUNICIPAL REPORT

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Thursday, September 9, 1993
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The Anchorage Economic Development Corp. has generally lived up to its contract obligations with the city, but has overstated the number of new Anchorage jobs it has helped to create, according to a municipal audit. The audit is the agency's first since it was established in 1987 to provide information and assistance to investors interested in launching business ventures in Anchorage.

The agency became a non-profit organization in 1990, and its largest source of revenue over the last three years has come through contracts with the city totaling about \$1.1 million. The rest of its funding comes from private sources and from the state.

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The audit also listed about \$70,000 in fees and travel reimbursements that have been paid to Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** for his work as an aviation consultant.

But Campbell said there's no conflict of interest in his working for an agency that is partly funded by municipal funds approved by the assembly. For one thing, the audit notes that most of his income from the AEDC derived from state grants, not from city funding.

In addition, Campbell maintains that he has disclosed his AEDC dealings to his colleagues on the assembly and has not participated in votes that bear directly on funding for the agency.

Fink said it doesn't make much difference whether Campbell was paid with state money or city money.

"The public should be judging whether an assemblyman should be getting that kind of money from an agency funded by the city," he said.

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ASSEMBLYMAN BACKS RECALL PAYMENT

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Anchorage Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** is backing the chief organizer of last December's school board recall in her request for \$40,000 from the city to cover legal expenses in a recall lawsuit. The reimbursement request is scheduled to come before the assembly Tuesday even though the recall organizer, Connie Bennett, has a pending appeal before the Supreme Court to get the same amount reimbursed by the opposing party in the lawsuit.

Bennett had asked the assembly in May for a \$44,000 reimbursement, arguing that her lawyers would not have been in court at all last winter if the city clerk had done her job properly in overseeing the recall process.

The assembly took no action in May, but Campbell says he's convinced that Bennett has been wronged by the city and shouldn't have to wait any longer for her money.

"I think the legal expenses that Connie incurred were generated by mistakes on the municipality's side," Campbell said. "It was the bureaucracy that caused the problem and she should not be held victim to our mistakes and have to wait a year or a year and a half for the courts to decide whether she gets paid."

Bennett's expenses stem from a lawsuit filed just before the recall election by a group opposed to letting the election go forward. The suit named the municipal clerk as the defendant, but Bennett and her private lawyers joined to fight the suit.

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ASSEMBLY PASSES RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS

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The Anchorage Assembly on Tuesday voted to support strengthening the rights of citizens to own and use weapons as long as they are not too drunk, too young, too crazy or have served time for a felony crime. On one level, Tuesday's 7-3 vote was only for show because the real debate about changing the state constitution won't begin until state lawmakers convene next month in Juneau. Several legislators led by Sen. Loren Leman, R-Anchorage, are pushing for a constitutional amendment that would strictly limit the power of local governments to pass gun control laws.

Yet, in devoting more than 90 minutes of its busy schedule to Leman's proposal while he and about 200 of his supporters watched from the audience, the assembly gave the matter significantly more attention than it gives to most of its advisory opinions.

In the end, the assembly took a position at odds with Anchorage Police Chief Kevin O'Leary, who worried aloud that local law enforcement authorities would be boxed into a corner by a blanket ban on firearm regulations.

Leman said his proposal aims to clarify and expand on what's now written in both the state and federal constitutions "A well-regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."

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But **Craig Campbell** won applause from the audience when he said the issue is too important for the assembly not to take a position.

"The right to bear arms is really a fundamental freedom for you, the individual, to protect yourself against violent crimes," he said.

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CAMPAIGN 94 MAYOR CANDIDATE TAKES AIM AT EXPLICIT BOOKS IN SCHOOLS

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Saturday, January 15, 1994

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Anchorage assemblyman and mayoral candidate **Craig Campbell** has proposed a zinger for the April ballot: Do voters think elementary school libraries should carry sexually explicit materials? Campbell said he's seeking an advisory vote from the public at the request of two school board members who lost an emotional battle this week to restrict children's access to a book called "Asking About Sex and Growing Up."

Board members Lorraine Ferrell and Joe Marks and a number of parents argued that the book is offensive and inappropriate for young students, but five other board members voted to keep the book on library shelves with no restrictions.

"I'm not sure what the public really wants," Campbell said. "There may be an interest from the population to say there is material so sexually explicit that young people should have restricted access to it or no access at all."

Campbell said he knows it's a hot-button issue that could trigger a censorship debate and divide the community, but he insisted he's not trying to do that. Rather, he said, the point is to give guidance to the school board. No matter what the outcome of the vote, decisions about what materials belong in school libraries still rests with the school board.

Campbell's proposal drew criticism Friday as soon it hit the published agenda for Tuesday's assembly meeting.

Assembly chairman Dick Traini, who said the book is "garbage" but opposes a public vote on it, was upset that he was listed as a co-sponsor without his consent. Anchorage School Board president Sharon Richards accused Campbell of meddling in the board's business and stood by her vote to keep the book in libraries. And assemblyman Mark Begich, one of Campbell's 11 opponents in the mayor's race, called the proposal a "purely political" ploy to draw the religious right to the polls so that Campbell can get more votes.

Campbell responded by saying he thought Traini had agreed to sponsor the proposal but doesn't mind that Traini withdrew his name; he doesn't think he's interfering with the school board's job; and he thinks Begich is the one playing politics.

"Every time I do something he claims it's for politics," Campbell said. "It's getting pretty tiring the way Mark is trying to equate any public policy issue to politics just because I'm associated with it."

It will take at least three votes at Tuesday's assembly meeting for Campbell to get a public hearing on his proposal. If there is a hearing, the earliest it could be is Feb. 8 and it will take six votes to put the issue on the April 19 ballot.

The exact language of the ballot proposition hasn't been worked out yet. After hearing the city attorney's first draft, Campbell said it sounded too narrow because the "yes" or "no" question didn't leave room for voters to say the book should be restricted but not banned.

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Campbell said that having raised children himself, he's concerned about what young children might read in "Asking About Sex and Growing Up," including excerpts about masturbation and females examining their genitals in a mirror.

"I'm only talking about public elementary schools. I'm not talking about censorship or saying this book is pornography," Campbell said. "I don't think it is. I think it's advanced education."

Ferrell, who is running for re-election to the school board in April, said Friday that she couldn't comment on the proposed ballot question because she hasn't seen it yet. She did say, though, that she'd talked with Campbell about the idea of polling voters on the subject of sexually explicit books in school libraries.

"We discussed it and I said it would be great," she said.

Traini, the assembly chairman, said he thinks Campbell may have three votes, but doubts he'll get the six needed to put the issue on the ballot. Campbell said he hasn't polled his colleagues.

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CAMPAIGN 94 MAYOR CANDIDATES TRY TO BREAK OUT OF PACK MAYOR HOPEFULS HAVE LITTLE TIME TO DO A WHOLE LOT OF CONVINCING

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Thursday, January 20, 1994
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With polished speeches and not a trace of meanness, eight mayoral candidates squared off Wednesday night in a contest to define themselves in less than three minutes to a roomful of certified accountants and tax consultants. It wasn't easy.

With so little time to introduce themselves, they had hardly a chance to break the ice with a joke, explain why they're running for the city's highest office and tick off one or two of the biggest problems they think the city faces.

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Craig Campbell said he'd immediately eliminate dozens of city offices that are offering services identical to what's available in the private sector. Joyce Murphy offered the same idea.

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CAMPAIGN 94 MAYOR FAMILIAR NAMES AID CANDIDATES CARRS, GOTTSTEINS BIG CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTORS

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In the view of some candidates who've held public office before, cash commitments have been particularly hard to come by in this race. Not only are so many people competing for support, they said, but many voters don't seem to realize the election will be held in the spring for the first time, instead of the fall.

"It's just been extremely difficult to raise money," said **Craig Campbell**, who came in well short of his goal to finish 1993 with \$30,000 to \$40,000 in his war chest. "I'll be lucky to get much over \$100,000."

The 1993 reports show that:

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* **Craig Campbell** raised \$17,407 in cash and \$3,681 in nonmonetary contributions. He spent \$5,529 and ran up \$934 in debts.

Campbell collected 65 small contributions. Among his big contributors were the company that owns Chilkoot Charlie's, which gave \$1,000; Lowell Shin, the Brown Jug owner, who gave \$500; and two executives of GCI Communication Inc., who each gave \$1,000. GCI also gave Campbell and Begich \$1,000 company donations.

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LICENSE REQUIRED IN X-RATED TRADE

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The Anchorage Assembly passed a watered-down adult entertainment law Tuesday that lays out new licensing requirements for massage parlors, escort services and X-rated bookstores and movie houses. Assemblyman Joe Murdy said the new law will allow authorities to more closely supervise the city's sex-for-sale industry. However, Murdy had to rewrite his proposal seven times and delete several key provisions before the assembly and Mayor Tom Fink agreed to it.

Under the new ordinance, adult-oriented businesses must pay the city an annual \$300 licensing fee. Licensing will include criminal background checks for business owners, and health and safety inspections of their establishments. Strip clubs are excluded.

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One amendment to Murdy's seventh rewrite of his proposal came from Assemblyman **Craig Campbell**. He objected to a provision that would have exempted the Anchorage School District from applying for an adult entertainment business license when sex education materials are used in classrooms. Campbell said the school district should bear the burden of proving that its materials are not adult-oriented.

Murdy's law passed 9-2, with opposition from Pat Abney and Charles Wohlforth.

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ADULTS DUEL OVER CONTENT OF KIDS' BOOK ASSEMBLYMAN LEADS DRIVE TO PUT VOLUME TO A PUBLIC REFERENDUM DURING APRIL ELECTION

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Monday, February 28, 1994
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Every political season has its sexy issues. Last year it was gay rights. This year, it's "The Book."

Otherwise known as "Asking About Sex and Growing Up," it's one of the most talked about books in Anchorage these days.

It was written for children, but the fuss is among adults. What few copies are available through libraries maybe 15 in the entire city are suddenly in such high demand that names are going on waiting lists. Private booksellers can't replace their stocks fast enough.

Some point to the book's presence in elementary school libraries as further evidence of society's decaying values. The Anchorage Church of Christ spent \$3,000 to mail out 17,324 fliers with quotes from the book and a warning to parents that it's "not presenting wholesome and beneficial teaching material that will nurture positive growth."

The Bartlett Democrats, on the other hand, make jokes about the book over lunch before raffling off a copy.

But Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** won't let the issue die. Championing the cause of the book's opponents, Campbell has called for a public referendum on the April 19 ballot.

He wants to ask voters: "Should the Anchorage School District provide sexually explicit materials covering such subjects as masturbation and homosexuality to public elementary school students?"

The public vote would be strictly advisory, not binding upon the school board. The assembly is scheduled to decide Tuesday whether to put the question on the ballot.

"This would be a vote to quantify the community standards of what's right for elementary school libraries," Campbell said. "If it passed, it would send a message to the school board and assembly that the process isn't working."

Campbell said, though, that anyone who thinks they're being asked to cast a ballot for or against book banning has the wrong idea. He emphasized that he's not out to ban any book, including "Asking About Sex and Growing Up."

"I'm not saying it can't be published. I'm not saying it can't be purchased. I'm not saying it can't be available in a public library, and I'm not saying it can't be available as a teacher's reference book and I'm not saying it can't be available in our schools," he said.

"All I'm saying is that parents seem to want to have some restrictions on access to this book by young, immature children, and I think that's appropriate."

A recent flurry of letters to the Daily News reveals some extreme differences of opinion about the proposed referendum.

Many letter writers have praised or criticized Campbell because they're convinced he wants to ban "Asking About Sex and Growing Up" even though he says that's not the case.

Others have gone so far as to endorse Campbell for mayor because of his stand on the issue. Critics have said he's just trying to bolster his mayoral campaign by exploiting the emotions of voters with yet another inflammatory ballot issue.

Campbell insists that the referendum proposal has nothing to do with his campaign, although he said there's bound to be "political fallout" from the controversy surrounding it.

"The issue wasn't raised to get me elected mayor. It's an issue I believe in," he said. "And when you raise an issue that you believe in, that always has political implications."

It's unlikely the referendum question will be on the ballot no matter how many people tell the assembly Tuesday night that it should be.

With Pat Abney, Mark Begich, Bill Faulkner, Chuck Landers, and Joe Murdy all saying they're prepared to vote against him, Campbell acknowledged last week that he probably doesn't have the votes. It takes at least a six-vote majority for the 11-member assembly to take action. With Charles Wohlforth scheduled to miss the meeting, the best Campbell can hope for is a 5-5 tie which counts as a "no" vote.

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Even the two school board members who, according to Campbell, inspired him to offer his referendum proposal now say they have doubts that it will accomplish anything. Lorraine Ferrell and Joe Marks are the school board members who voted against letting the book continue circulating without restrictions. They say that a public vote on the book is of little value by itself.

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Campbell said that community members should be better represented on the school district committee that reviews controversial materials. Right now, they occupy seven of 13 seats.

"All it takes is six administrators to convince one community member that the administrators are smarter, and they win," Campbell said. "In my experience in government, that happens all the time."

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CAMPAIGN 94 MAYOR CAMPBELL SAYS HE'D CUT GOVERNMENT

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Think of a service you pay the city to provide. Chances are, mayoral candidate **Craig Campbell** wants it taken out of the city's budget. Electricity for your home? Trash pickup? Telephone service?

Campbell says the private sector can do a better job, so he'd entertain selling the city's utilities to the highest bidder.

Sports facilities? Artistic productions? Libraries?

The people who use them should pay for them, Campbell says. That doesn't mean shutting down the city library, but it does mean charging a fee for checking out books.

The sleep-off center for drunks? Emergency help for the homeless?

The city can't solve every social problem and shouldn't try, says Campbell.

He believes some people need a place to go for family planning and sexual disease testing, but he'd rather steer city money to private clinics than leave those services to the city health department.

What does all this mean for Anchorage residents?

If the seven-year Eagle River assemblyman and aviation consultant is elected mayor April 19, Campbell plans to carry on the legacy of the Tom Fink years: Shrink the size of government as much as possible to save money for taxpayers.

"Tom and I have not always agreed on the method to get to the goal, but when you look at the goals, we're pretty darn close," he said.

Sometimes, when Campbell gets on a roll about what the people of Anchorage really want from government, he even sounds like Fink although the two men are hardly close.

"Where does the greed level peak?" Campbell said in the spring of 1993, while telling off his fellow Anchorage Assembly members when they decided to send a sales tax proposal to the ballot.

Six months later, he was scolding his colleagues again, this time for approving a 1994 city budget that would tax voters to the legal limit.

"We're just doing it the same old way of saying, 'Taxpayers, ante up the dollars and we'll spend them,' " he said.

Campbell wanted to cut \$1.7 million from the spending plan the mayor had proposed, red-lining such items as city labor negotiators, city attorneys, a lobbyist and a press secretary in the mayor's office, birth control counselors, and funding for homeless studies.

The assembly went the other way, voting to add \$3.4 million to Fink's plan and setting taxes at the voter-approved limit. The one area where Campbell wanted to spend more money hiring new police officers won nearly unanimous support.

Campbell knew he didn't have a prayer of getting his colleagues to endorse his long list of cuts. In fact, he didn't bother to show up for the informal meeting where members reworked the budget, nor did he try to lobby his colleagues behind the scenes.

"I gauged the politics. I saw there wasn't the will to do it, there wasn't the energy," Campbell said recently. The others hadn't shown interest when he proposed similar cuts last spring, just after an assembly election that ushered in five new members.

His conclusion: "This assembly is not more conservative than the last one."

Assemblyman Bill Faulkner, serving his ninth year, said he thinks the 11-member body is more conservative now than at any point in Campbell's political career. If Campbell isn't happy with how the city budget comes together, Faulkner said, it's probably because he hasn't been a big player.

"I think there have been others who are really doing the nuts and bolts," he said.

Campbell said he stood out as a leader during his 15-month stint as assembly chairman, steering his colleagues through the 1992 and 1993 budget cycles and avoiding showdowns with Fink. Voters were taxed to the legal limit both years.

"Everybody says the assembly and the mayor are always fighting, always at each other's throats," Campbell said. "But when I was chairman we got along with the mayor."

However, it's well-known that throughout Campbell's chairmanship, he rarely even talked to Fink, preferring to deal with the mayor's executive managers. While few assembly members have gotten along well with the current mayor, former Assemblyman John Wood has described Campbell as "so cynical of Fink that it's somehow really permeated his thinking in my opinion. He's taken some of the fights beyond what is even being civil."

Campbell acknowledges that he and the mayor have had their differences, dating back to the city's 1991 contract negotiations with the electrical workers' union. The mayor had vetoed the arbitration award that the assembly favored, and Campbell voted with eight others to override the veto.

"We counted on him and he deserted us," Fink said recently. "Ever since then he hasn't been with us. . . . I know Campbell is out telling everyone that he was fully supportive of Tom Fink. He may have agreed with us philosophically, but he didn't vote with us."

Campbell said his tensions with the current mayor who can't run again because of a term limit are beside the point.

"The mark of success is not how often you sit down and have lunch with the mayor, it's how well you can get the administration to go along with your program," he said.

Campbell admits he hasn't been a major mover and shaker when it comes to getting bills passed on the assembly. And he's proud of it.

"The more laws you can make, the more legislation you can offer that makes government bigger in my mind that's a liberal definition of good government," he said. "In my mind, the less government you provide, the smaller budgets you have, the better job you are doing at leadership."

Fink, too, often complains that the assembly overindulges in its power to regulate.

Yet Campbell doesn't see himself as a Fink clone, alienating the assembly by refusing to compromise and winding up on the losing end of many key votes.

"I have occasionally cast protest votes in the last seven years," he admits.

But being mayor would give him access to much more information than he gets now, as well as a different kind of leverage with the assembly leverage he promises to use productively.

"On the executive side, I'd have time to prepare my plans and get six votes," he said, referring to the number of assembly votes it takes make a law.

While Campbell doesn't gauge his success on making lots of new laws, he gravitates toward issues that strike an emotional chord with voters.

Whether the issue is fluoridation of the public water supply or new fees for septic tank owners, Campbell favors giving voters a choice on the ballot. Even on issues where the assembly's power is limited to nonbinding resolutions as in the recriminalization of marijuana or the right to bear arms Campbell is willing to listen to weeks of testimony before making a decision. And when others on the assembly debated how to force the Hillside to pay for police protection, Campbell to the people," Evans said.

But Evans and others criticize Campbell for taking his grass-roots approach too far sometimes and ducking tough decisions in the guise of letting the public have its say.

"His modus operandi has been for the most part, when in doubt let the people speak," said Jim Arlington, a Democrat who's been active in Eagle River politics for a few years and is now running for school board.

Arlington questions Campbell's motives for thrusting himself into the middle of a dispute between parents and school officials over the age- appropriateness of a sex education book.

Without ever saying he wants to ban the book "Asking About Sex and Growing Up," Campbell proposed a public advisory vote on the April 19 ballot on whether elementary schools should carry sexually explicit materials. The assembly quashed the idea.

"He throws it up for the public and attaches his name to it, but you can't attach his name to any position," Arlington said. "He's the quintessential waffler. He's a consummate politician and that's what politicians do best."

Two of Campbell's mayoral rivals Mark Begich and Pat Parnell have accused him of using the book issue to pander to the religious right during an election season.

Campbell has vehemently denied the charge. His media consultant confirms a political motive.

"His stand on the book gives the conservative community something to rally around," Marc Hellenthal said, adding: "Yeah, he's playing politics, but he believes in what he's doing."

As conservative as Campbell looks in his campaign literature churchgoer, National Guardsman for 18 years, National Rifle Association member, former chairman of the Republican Party's Eagle River precinct he says he believes strongly in the separation of church and state.

"Mine is not a religious campaign," he said. "I'm not the candidate of the Moral Majority or one of those Christian groups."

"I don't think he's as conservative as Fink," said Eddie Burke, a politically active gas station owner who gave Campbell a \$500 campaign contribution in December. But Burke said it's heartening to know that Campbell opposes gay rights.

"It's not my only factor, but it's a fairly important factor. I think the gay rights issue is one of few that defines where a candidate is really coming from," he said.

While candidate Campbell promises to lead city government in a fiscally and socially conservative direction, he also has plans to boost Anchorage's economy.

He'd start by calling the city's business leaders around one big table to figure out how to draw more European and Asian tourists. He also wants to offer tax breaks to lure new industries to Anchorage, such as high-tech computer operations.

He also thinks the city should take a more careful approach to land-use decisions. Instead of simply selling off city-owned land to whomever wants it, Campbell hopes to market specific parcels for specific industrial and business uses identified in the city's economic development plan.

Campbell said it's important that city government complement, rather than compete with, what business leaders are doing to promote Anchorage.

Yet the same candidate who shudders at the thought of too much government interference collected more than \$100,000 over two years from an agency that receives much of its funding from city and state grants.

During 1991 and 1992, Campbell was hired to consult with the Anchorage Economic Development Corp. and was paid about \$71,500 in fees and reimbursed more than \$30,000 for travel. His purpose was to patch together new airline routes between Alaska and Asia. He succeeded in persuading Korean Air to establish connections between Anchorage and several Pacific cities.

Campbell publicly disclosed his contracts from the outset and abstained from assembly votes on funding for the development corporation, as required by city conflict-of-interest law.

He was rebuked once, in 1988, for failing to file written notice with the city that his company planned to bid on a city contract to design a master plan for Merrill Field. The city Ethics Board recommended a censure against him even though Campbell said he'd contacted the ethics board before his company submitted a bid on the project.

Assembly colleagues refused to endorse the ethics panel's findings. Then- Assembly Chairwoman Heather Flynn said the law was ambiguous about when a city official should post notice of a bid for contract work.

Campbell has put that incident behind him. He prefers to talk about his decision not to keep a \$2,400 raise given to assembly members this year. Campbell has donated the extra income to United Way charities.

As further evidence that he's not a career politician, Campbell points to his support for term limits. When the issue was debated in 1991, Campbell pushed to limit assembly members to two terms, or six years, in office. He ended up supporting the compromise worked out by the assembly and later approved by voters a three-term limit.

Campbell is now serving his third term. He easily won his 1993 race against two relatively unknown opponents, just as he easily won his re-election in 1989.

"I think two terms is right, but that's not the law and I'm doing a good job," he said.

Campbell counts the April 1993 election as a defining moment in Anchorage's political history and as his cue to run for mayor.

That's when it became clear to Campbell what Anchorage voters want from government: They threw out legislators who supported gay rights. They overwhelmingly rejected a sales tax proposal. And they turned down most of a huge school bond package.

Barely one year into his final term, Campbell says he's ready to jump from the assembly to the mayor's office. Is he worried that such a move will be seen as a betrayal by his Eagle River constituents? Not at all.

"If I'm elected mayor, the constituents who elected me will have me in a more powerful position," he said. "If I'm not successful, I'll still be on the assembly."

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CAMPAIGN 94 MAYOR CANDIDATES TEST LIMITS OF MEDIA FAXES, TALK SHOWS PART OF CAMPAIGNS

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For Campbell, the main idea behind Victory Faxes is to tickle the funny bones of his supporters at the expense of his opponents.

Every week, cartoonist Bob Parsons supplies the Campbell campaign with new material, which is then sent to a list of supporters by fax machine.

Parsons has turned out about nine cartoons so far, including multiple caricatures none flattering of candidates Mark Begich and Rick Mystrom.

One features a servant approaching the throne of a crowned Prince Begich, who has an arrow stuck in his forehead with a banner attached that says, "The Book Stinks." (The Book refers to "Asking About Sex and Growing Up," which was the subject of a debate among school board and assembly members over what kinds of books are appropriate in elementary school libraries. Campbell wanted to poll the public on the issue, but Begich and other assembly members opposed the idea.) The servant in the cartoon is saying, "Maybe you should let them vote sire."

Begich said Parsons may be clever, but that the cartoons are in poor taste.

"For a candidate who is running for mayor, it's very immature," Begich said. "The mayor should be of higher caliber in character."

Another cartoon depicts Mystrom being asked for help on a crossword puzzle. "Hey Rick . . . What's a three-letter word for 'withhold information?'" This one refers to a lapse on Mystrom's part when he was leading an effort in the mid-1980s to bring the Olympics to Anchorage. He failed to disclose that the city would have to pay off any debts left over after the Games.

Mystrom, who later acknowledged his mistake, said that seeing the issue revisited in Campbell's cartoon tells him "more about the person who is doing it rather than the object of the attack."

"I think I've learned more about **Craig Campbell** from seeing this than I ever knew," Mystrom said.

Campbell, who reviews all the cartoons to make sure they're in good taste, said it would be a mistake to conclude from the Victory Faxes that he's running a negative campaign.

"Just the opposite," he said. "These cartoons illustrate the facts in a humorous way. There's nothing negative about a cartoon that says here's what a candidate has done and here's what the candidate is doing today."

Parsons, 41, has done work in the past for both the Daily News and The Anchorage Times. Currently employed as a custom sign maker and graphic artist, Parsons said he signed on with the Campbell campaign "because my heart's in it."

The whole idea behind the Victory Faxes is to create a kind of chain letter linking Campbell supporters. There's no way of knowing, though, how many people actually see them.

"They just multiply," said Brenda Rees, Campbell's campaign manager. "We send them to an office and someone says, 'Yeah, I made 10 copies and gave them to other people.' They've got a life of their own almost."

And judging from the reactions of Campbell's friends and foes, the cartoons are making a difference.

"They remind me of the Tom Fink approach to the election a couple of years ago," said Terry Palisch, a Campbell supporter. "He used humor to get his point across."

Rival candidate Jim Kubitz says they're a nuisance.

"It frankly irritates a lot of my friends who get them at the workplace," Kubitz said.

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GUN LAW CHANGES WEIGHED CONCEALED WEAPONS IN CARS WOULD BE OK

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The Anchorage Assembly is considering a law allowing people to carry concealed weapons in their cars. It's now a misdemeanor offense under city law "for any person other than a peace officer to carry concealed (weapons) about his person in any manner."

According to Municipal Attorney Dick McVeigh, the proposal before the assembly would bring the local law in line with state law, which permits weapons to be concealed in cars.

Sponsors **Craig Campbell** and Dick Traini say the proposal is intended to make the laws consistent and clear up confusion for people who regularly travel in and out of the city with guns in their cars.

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But law enforcement officials, including the city prosecutor and the deputy police chief, see the proposal as a threat to public safety.
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CAMPAIGN 94 CONFIDENTIAL CANDIDATE COVERED ON ISSUE

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Alaska Right to Life is backing **Craig Campbell**. A flier put out by the group calls Campbell "the best ballot for babies" along with school board candidates Lorraine Ferrell, Clois Versyp and Mark Cravens and calls on the new mayor to "prevent city funding of abortion clinic owners and abortion referral agencies."

Campbell has said that he opposes public funding for organizations that actively support abortion rights, such as Planned Parenthood, as well as those that lobby against abortion.

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The National Rifle Association gave Collins an "A" rating, along with **Craig Campbell**, Michael DaFermo and Pat Parnell. Rick Mystrom scored an A- minus, Mark Begich got a B, and Richard "Ziggy" Zeigler was awarded a D. The association asked the candidates questions about gun registration, hunter "harassment" laws, permits to carry concealed weapons and development of target shooting areas in the city, said spokeswoman Jane Wineinger.

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In other endorsements, Alaskans Opposed to Pro-Homosexual Policies have thrown their support behind Campbell and Mystrom, with Campbell as first choice, said spokesman Michael Johnston. The group has picked Ferrell, Cravens and Versyp for school board.

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HEADING FOR A RUNOFF MYSTROM, BEGICH, CAMPBELL LEAD EARLY

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With few ballots counted by late Tuesday night, who would win Anchorage's 14-way mayoral election was anyone's guess. Vying for first place were Rick Mystrom and Mark Begich, followed closely by **Craig Campbell**. All were within a few percentage points of each other in early returns.

But the race was still wide open with only a small number of precincts counted. In the event that no one captures 40 percent of the vote, which was considered highly likely going into the election, a runoff between the top two vote getters has been scheduled for May 17. Runoffs have been required in four of Anchorage's last five mayoral races.

The city clerk predicted turnout to be in the 50 percent range. Harried poll workers at Turnagain Elementary School said 770 of 1,500 registered voters more than half of all voters in that precinct had cast ballots 35 minutes before the polls closed at 8 p.m. A dozen people were waiting in line.

After the polls closed, both Begich and Campbell were optimistic that they'd be facing Mystrom in a runoff.

"If our voters turned out, we're probably going to be in second position and very close to Rick," Begich said.

Campbell predicted Mystrom would come in first and there would be a close race with Begich for second.

While some voters said Tuesday that they knew all along who they'd vote for, others said so many seemingly well-qualified candidates left them undecided until the last moment.

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Campbell, 42, ran a low-budget campaign full of promises that he is the most fiscally and socially conservative of all the candidates.

Now serving his third-term on the assembly representing Eagle River, Campbell has pledged as mayor to sell off city-owned utilities and turn over many day-to-day functions of municipal government to the private sector.

But Campbell also has made a name for himself as the only mayoral candidate to challenge the placement of explicit sex education books in elementary school libraries. The library book protest gained further momentum and publicity when some of Campbell's supporters launched a recall campaign targeting Begich, one of his two chief opponents.

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CAMPAIGN 94 MAYOR LET'S SHAKE HANDS BEFORE ROUND 2 37,850 VOTES UP FOR GRABS

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As the mayoral runoff election between Rick Mystrom and Mark Begich got under way Wednesday, one question loomed large: Who is likely to get the 37,850 votes that went to 12 candidates edged out of the running in Tuesday's municipal election? Depending on which way they go, the votes now up for grabs could make all the difference in the May 17 runoff, considering that Mystrom won Tuesday night with just 14,011 votes, or 21.77 percent. Begich finished with 12,489 votes, or 19.41 percent, according to the city clerk's office.

But more than 30,000 people who voted for the third-, fourth-, fifth- and sixth-place finishers **Craig Campbell**, Jim Kubitz, Heather Flynn, and Joyce Murphy, in that order are not expected to shift in unified blocks either to Mystrom or Begich.

"We're taking the approach that we'll have to go out and earn those votes," Mystrom said Wednesday. "No one is going to swing to us automatically."

Begich said he was on the phone first thing Wednesday morning trying to court the support of some of his defeated opponents. He declined to say which ones.

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Campbell and Murphy also were undecided. Flynn couldn't be reached for comment.

Campbell, who came up with 11,205 votes Tuesday, said he drew most of his votes from people who are more conservative, socially and fiscally, than both Mystrom and Begich. Those voters, he predicted, will split up among the two finalists according to whom they trust more to lower the cost of government.

"I'm convinced that the citizens of Anchorage want a conservative new mayor and they don't want new taxes," he said, noting voters' rejection Tuesday of an alcohol tax. "Each one has to prove to voters that they can do better than the other one. I think that's healthy."

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CITY OKS CONCEALED GUN LAW ASSEMBLY IGNORES POLICE, VOTES 9-2

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Anchorage residents will be allowed to carry concealed weapons in their vehicles, the Anchorage Assembly decided Tuesday. By a 9-2 vote, with members Charles Wohlforth and Cheryl Clementson voting against, the assembly approved an ordinance that changes current city law to allow concealed weapons in cars and trucks.

Ordinance sponsors **Craig Campbell** and Dick Traini said the proposal is intended to clarify city laws and make them consistent with state law, which allows concealed weapons in vehicles.

However, seven of the eight Anchorage police officers who spoke before the assembly April 12 argued against the change as a threat to public and officer safety. They said concealed weapons would be hidden from them as they approach a vehicle during a traffic stop and would make weapons readily available to angry drivers.

Sgt. Marilyn Bailey said the law banning concealed weapons is often the only way to get guns out of the hands of gang members.

"They're eliminating a tool for us to deal with a burgeoning crime problem," Bailey said.

Police Sgt. Buck Adams told the assembly that one example of the usefulness of the concealed weapon law occurred a few weeks ago when police received a tip that a Tiny Rascals Gang member was selling weapons out of his car.

"The only chance we had to stop him was the carrying a concealed weapons (law)," Adams said.

Traini said in an interview that gang members could be stopped with other charges.

"They still have a tool," Traini said. "Most gang members are minors and minors aren't allowed to have guns."

Campbell argued that Anchorage needed to be brought in line with the rest of the state so that those who enter Anchorage won't suddenly be in violation of the law.

Bailey disagreed.

"The rest of the state is not Anchorage," Bailey said in an interview. "Anchorage has 50 percent of the state's population but 80 to 90 percent of the crime."

Legislation approved in the Alaska House earlier this month would allow handguns to be concealed inside clothing or briefcases in public. In that bill, Alaskans older than 21 could get a permit to carry concealed handguns if the person has not been convicted of a crime, has no record of mental illness or drug use, and has passed gun-safety courses. The Senate is now scheduled to consider the bill.

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ASSEMBLY PUTS TOBACCO TAX ON BALLOT; LIQUOR MEASURE DIES

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The Anchorage Assembly agreed Tuesday to send a tobacco tax proposition to the voters, but it put the latest liquor tax proposal back in the cabinet.

It was hard to find an argument in favor of smoking at Tuesday's public hearing on the tax measures. And few opposed the proposal to double the existing city tobacco tax.

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But others put philosophy before mortality.

"Last year I sat and watched my mother die from emphysema," Assemblyman Bob Bell said. But, he said he thought it would be unfair to single out tobacco for taxation.

Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** objected to what he called "social engineering through taxation."

He, Bell, Chuck Landers, Pat Abney and Kevin Meyer voted against the tax. Wohlforth, Mark Begich, Bill Faulkner, Cheryl Clementson, Joe Murdy and Dick Traini voted in favor.

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The liquor tax proposal was similar to one that voters, by a very narrow margin, rejected last spring, though it would have applied at the wholesale, not the retail level.

It drew many of the same objections from the liquor industry Tuesday: that it would be bad for business and would be unfair to the majority of drinkers who don't drive drunk, beat their spouses or cause other trouble.

Faulkner, Wohlforth and Clementson voted to put the tax on the ballot. Begich, Meyer, Campbell, Traini, Bell, Landers, Murdy and Abney voted not to.

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ASSEMBLY MEMBERS SNIPE AT BUDGET

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Anchorage Assembly members declared open season Tuesday on Mayor Rick Mystrom's proposed 1995 operating budget as they drew up a long list of additions and subtractions and started to line up their votes.

While nothing's set in stone yet, several assembly members said the mayor's budget is too fat with flowers and too soft on crime.

Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** said he wants 100 more officers. He was not able to say exactly how much that would cost, but calculated that the city could afford it if his colleagues agree to cut \$3.5 million from the mayor's proposed spending plan and then tax residents to the legal limit.

"Just look what's happening on the streets," Campbell said in an interview. "The after-hours clubs, the gambling houses, the drug houses, all the youth violence. Part of reducing crime is having enough officers out there so that those who are thinking of committing crimes understand there's a risk associated with it."

Campbell said the mayor shouldn't be criticized for wanting to improve how the city looks, but he said public safety is more important right now.

"His intentions are good, but we've got a fixed amount of money and we have to figure out how to prioritize it," he said.

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CAMPBELL REKINDLES DEBATE ON SPANKING PLAN AIMED AT DAY CARE, PRIVATE SCHOOLS

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The delicate subject of spanking children has again fallen into the Anchorage Assembly's lap.

A hearing is scheduled Tuesday on Assemblyman **Craig Campbell**'s proposal to relegalize corporal punishment in private day-care centers and private schools, four years after the assembly outlawed it.

Campbell, a conservative Eagle River representative with outspoken views on government intrusions into the lives of private citizens, said the assembly's 1990 decision that banned spanking in private facilities was wrong, and he's just trying to fix the law.

Critics say that Campbell's proposal is a misguided attempt to resurrect outdated disciplinary methods and that it will rekindle a divisive debate over an issue that has been settled to most people's satisfaction.

Corporal punishment in public schools has been illegal for many years and isn't an issue now.

But Campbell argues that the assembly went too far four years ago when it extended the ban to privately run day-care centers and preschools, crafting the law so that no one but a parent may physically discipline a child.

"Four years ago, this was a hotly contested issue and there were scores of people contesting this ordinance," Campbell said. "I feel it's appropriate to bring this issue back and ask, 'Is government overstepping its bounds by banning spanking when both the parents and the administrators agree that it's appropriate discipline?' Government making these sweeping decisions for families is wrong and it's got to stop."

Campbell said the ordinance he's proposing is designed to mirror state law, which allows spanking under certain conditions and distinguishes between day-care centers and schools.

State law allows employees of day-care centers to use corporal punishment with written consent from a parent, provided it is limited to "one slap on the clothed buttocks of a toddler" or three slaps on the clothed buttocks of a children from 30 months to 13 years old.

Private schools are free to use whatever method of punishment they want as long as the guidelines are spelled out in a written policy. Schools that enroll fewer than seven children are exempt from regulation.

Before the 1990 ban was adopted, a municipal survey found that only five out of about 100 day-care centers permitted their employees to spank children.

Martha Anderson, who's in charge of day-care licensing for the city, said the ban was a good idea and she still supports it.

"In the past, when corporal punishment was allowed, care givers would abuse that ability," she said. "We're not saying it's a good practice or a bad practice. We're saying that it's inappropriate for licensed programs to use, because it too often is abused."

She wasn't able to say exactly how often, apart from providing a couple of anecdotes, but Anderson worried aloud that reinstating corporal punishment would create administrative headaches for her department.

"If we're out there trying to figure out was it one slap or two slaps, and was the hand open and was it on the buttocks or the back, it just takes too much time to investigate," she said.

Campbell called Anderson's argument a red herring.

"I will admit there have been abuses," he said. "Sure there are abuses to every rule we have. That doesn't mean we get rid of the rule. We just enforce it."

Opinions about corporal punishment vary among Anchorage's day-care operators.

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SPANKINGS ON THE AGENDA OLD ISSUE SCHEDULED FOR NEW PUBLIC HEARING TONIGHT

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The Anchorage Assembly plans to revisit the divisive issue of spanking in day-care centers and private schools at its scheduled public hearing tonight.

Four years ago, standing-room-only crowds packed the Loussac Library chambers to testify on one aspect of a proposed comprehensive set of health and safety standards for the licensing of day-care centers -- corporal punishment. One side wanted to ban the practice everywhere in the city. The other side sought to protect the wishes of parents who want to send their children to city-licensed day-care centers and schools that allow spanking as a disciplinary method.

The compromise reached then, and which has been the existing regulation in Anchorage since 1990, was that only parents themselves could spank their children in a day-care center or private school. Mayor Tom Fink vetoed the proposal. The assembly overrode his veto.

Since then, when it's been deemed necessary to spank a child who attends a private day-care center, preschool or school where corporal punishment is practiced and guidelines for its use are spelled out in a detailed written policy, the parents of the child are called and the parents must administer the punishment.

Yet many working parents find it impractical to leave work to spank their child, so it's rarely implemented, said Assemblyman **Craig Campbell**, sponsor of a proposal to change the law.

No one's talking about instituting spanking in public schools. Alaska state law forbids it, just as 25 other states do, according to the National Committee to Prevent Child Abuse.

Campbell, who voted against the ban on spanking by day-care providers in 1990 because he viewed it as an infringement of individual liberties, now says it's time to discuss the issue again.

"We can debate forever whether corporal punishment is good or bad -- that's been a debate in this country for 20 years -- but philosophically, I believe the way the code is currently written denies parents the right to have corporal punishment administered to their child if they agree to have it done," he said.

"This is a philosophical issue about how much government should be doing, how many decisions government should be making for the people. When the parents and the administrators agree it's appropriate, is it right for government to ban it?"

Campbell stresses that his proposal does not mandate that day-care centers provide corporal punishment for those parents who desire it for their children. But for parents who believe in spanking, he said he'd like to make that option available to them.

Critics of Campbell's proposal, such as Martha Anderson, who is in charge of day-care licensing for the city, say the ban on spanking is a good idea. She says the compromise language has worked well. Since 1990 the number of spanking-related child-abuse complaints in licensed day-care centers has declined.

Citing statistics from the city's Department of Health and Social Services, she said that in 1989, before the ban, her office registered 20 corporal punishment-related complaints in licensed day-care centers. After the ban went into effect in 1990, there were eight complaints; in 1991, nine; 1992, eight; 1994, nine. Statistics for 1993 were not available.

Anderson worries that reinstating spanking could turn back the clock and usher in more complaints of child abuse, and perhaps actual child abuse.

"Caregivers with even the best of intentions ended up abusing children. It became such a serious and expensive problem for us to investigate allegations of abuse that it's hard for a government to feel it could even continue licensing a facility that practices it," said Anderson.

Campbell said state law, which permits certain limited forms of corporal punishment, is at odds with the city's ban on it. State law allows employees of day-care centers to spank, but only with written parental consent. It's also limited to "no more than one slap (with an open hand) on the clothed buttocks of a toddler" or three slaps on the clothed buttocks of a child from 30 months to 13 years old.

Anderson said her department has "enough to worry about without having to investigate whether a day-care provider used an open hand and how many slaps were administered by whom, and whether it was appropriate or not."

While Campbell concedes there have been instances of abuse, he said he thinks it is wrong for the city to have banned spanking in private day-care and school settings licensed by the city.

"Spanking is not illegal and it is not a criminal act and I've been very frustrated that we have basically been outlawing a legal act," said Campbell.

Art Mathias, president of the Alaska chapter of the Christian Coalition, who sends his own children to a private school that practices corporal punishment with his permission, believes strongly that the city's ban is unnecessary government intrusion. He supports Campbell's proposal because he said it will restore disciplinary powers to parents that were stripped by the city in 1990.

"This is a parental decision and not an area for the government to be involved in at all," he said.

"It's simply inappropriate. The more government is involved in our lives, in whatever area, the less it accomplishes."

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ARTS COMMISSIONER SURVIVES VOTE

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No valentines were exchanged Tuesday between Anchorage Assemblywoman Cheryl Clementson and the chairwoman of the city's arts advisory commission.

In fact, Bonnie Mehner was looking for an apology after Clementson publicly called her a liar and tried unsuccessfully to block her reappointment to the panel.

She's not going to get one, Clementson said during a break in Tuesday's assembly meeting.

Mehner survived Clementson's attack by a 7-4 vote, but not before Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** quizzed Mehner as to whether she'd said bad things about the assembly to the news media. "Have you ever made any comments that are negative about the assembly to the press?" he asked.

"I haven't called any member of this assembly a name," Mehner responded.

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Voting against Mehner's confirmation were Clementson, Bob Bell, **Craig Campbell** and Dick Traini. The seven votes to confirm her came from Pat Abney, Mark Begich, Dan Kendall, Joe Murdy, Bill Faulkner, Kevin Meyer and Charles Wohlforth.

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PROPOSAL STRIPS SEX, POLITICS FROM BUS ADS

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Any mention of sex -- even of single-cell division -- would be forbidden if a proposed ban on bus advertisements is passed by the Anchorage Assembly tonight. And it's not just sex. Even such seemingly innocuous political statements as "Vote For Me" would be taboo.

The ordinance, sponsored by assemblymen Bob Bell and **Craig Campbell**, is breathtakingly broad. It proscribes ads for "any political candidate, political or public issue, religious issue or subject, or any sex or sexual orientation." And it defines "sexual orientation" as including "any human or animal sexual orientation including asexual, heterosexual, homosexual and bisexual orientations."

Ads for animal sexual orientation? Asked for an example, Campbell said he didn't know of any. Bell was a little more forthcoming: "Well, what's the definition of sexual orientation? You can interpret sexual orientation as anything -- sex with animals, sex with children, sex with dead people."

As for "asexual orientation," Campbell said it was there to ensure that the ordinance included "everything under the sun." In that way, he said, voters could be certain that the city's buses would not be used as "a moving billboard for political arguments."

But the proposed ban's breadth would put it at odds with other rules.

"There are some fundamental First Amendment problems with this ordinance," assembly chairman Dick Traini said. He planned to vote against it.

While both Bell and Campbell said the ban is not aimed at any one group, critics say it's very narrowly targeted.

At a recent Alaska Advertising Federation panel discussion about the measure, Randall Burns, the executive director of the Alaska Civil Liberties Union, said he believed it was proposed "for very cynical reasons." Its sponsors are targeting gays and lesbians, he said.

Two years ago, the city's transit department refused to run ads placed by Out North Theatre for the play "Fierce Love," performed by the San Francisco troupe Pomo Afro Homos. Out North sued the city, charging censorship. Judge Joan Katz sided with Out North and ordered the city to run the ads.

The transit department subsequently revised its regulations. It now prohibits ads that use obscene, indecent or profane language, and ads for any performances or exhibitions that depict nudity, sexual conduct or sexual excitement.

Those guidelines allowed bus ads placed by Equal, a gay and lesbian organization, over the past two years. The messages included "Gay Pride Week In Alaska . . . It's 52 Weeks A Year!" and a Christmas one, "Goodwill To All . . . Sponsored by your lesbian, bi and gay neighbors and their friends and families!"

And the Equal ads prompted another ad, from Kerusso Ministries, stating that homosexuals can change their orientation.

Campbell said he'd gotten phone calls "on the homosexual issue, pro and con," prompting the proposed ordinance.

Michael Johnston, the head of Kerusso Ministries and the chairman of Alaskans Opposed to Pro-Homosexual Policies, said he supported the ordinance, with the understanding that it was intended to block ads from gay and lesbian groups. He said he doesn't mind giving up his bus signs in order to squelch theirs.

Amy Young, the co-chair of Equal, the gay-rights organization, said her group opposes the ban. The group had advertised on the buses because it was an inexpensive and effective medium.

"They're using city regulations to discriminate against gays and lesbians in our community," she said.

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TOBACCO TAX GETS THE NOD ASSEMBLY SWIFTLY OKS 5 PERCENT HIKE

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It only took about an hour of testimony and debate for the Anchorage Assembly to act on last week's public vote overwhelmingly endorsing an increase in local tobacco taxes.

On Tuesday, with the results of the municipal election yet to be officially certified, the assembly voted 10-1 to raise the tax on tobacco products from about 10 percent to about 15 percent.

Tuesday's vote was required to write the tax into law because last week's 62-to-38 percent vote approving Proposition 4 was strictly advisory.

With the public having spoken, most assembly members said Tuesday it was easy to reach their decision.

Charles Wohlforth said that to do otherwise would be "a slap in the face" to voters.

However, Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** voted against the tax increase even though he agreed that cigarette smoking is unhealthy. Campbell said the tax is discriminatory, calling it "a specific tax against a politically unpopular group that's just an excuse to raise money."

"Just because the majority votes for something doesn't mean it's right if the minority suffers from it," he said. "This tax has a philosophical bent on social engineering."

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ASSEMBLY TOTOUTTRADE IN MAGADAN

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Led by Chairman **Craig Campbell**, seven members of the Anchorage Assembly are going on a three-day, taxpayer-funded trip to the Russian Far East port of Magadan. Campbell portrays the trip as part of an ongoing effort to expand trade between Anchorage and its Russian sister city. He said Assembly members would meet with Magadan's city council, the Duma, to promote Anchorage as a marketplace for goods and services. The Anchorage visitors also plan to host a dinner for their Magadan counterparts. The trip is scheduled for Sept. 19-21. Campbell estimated the total cost at \$10,000. He said all of the money would come from the Assembly's existing budget.

"That's a chunk of money," said Mark Begich, one of four Assembly members who opted not to go. He wonders whether the trip is a good use of city funds. "Local government is about local issues," he said.

"I just don't know what benefit taxpayers are going to get from the expense of hauling all these Assembly members off to Magadan," said Assembly member Charles Wohlforth. He is staying home, too.

But Campbell said the payoff could be huge. He wants to see Anchorage become the gateway to the Russian Far East -- a region rich in gold, timber and fisheries -- much in the same way Seattle became Alaska's financial hub as this resource-rich state developed.

Magadan will need commodities and expertise as it develops, everything from computers and banking services to sacks of cement and barrels of fuel. Campbell hopes to see the goods purchased here, injecting cash into local tills and creating jobs. He said it won't happen without a strong push from government.

Joining Campbell will be Assembly members Dan Kendall, Joe Murdy, Pat Abney, Bob Bell, Fay Von Gemmingen and George Wuerch. Brenda Wuerch, George's wife, is going as well, as a representative of Anchorage's Sister Cities Commission. Also going is a pair of representatives from the Anchorage Economic Development Corp. and the Anchorage Convention & Visitors Bureau. The idea is to show Magadan how Anchorage's government supports local businesses.

The groups hopes to deliver one clear message: Russian authorities must slice away bureaucracy and lower taxes if they are to turn their formidable natural wealth into cash.

Why can't interested businesses provide that message themselves, using their own money to do it? Campbell says Russia's history demands that government lead the way. A message from private companies just wouldn't be received.

"They are a country that only understands government," he said. "You've got to put your communist mind on. Everything is government."

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Campbell said each Assembly member represents unique interests. Kendall, for example, will talk about next year's Arctic Winter Games, which will be in the Eagle River area. Magadan plans to send a team. Bob Bell, who runs his own engineering firm, can offer testimony that Anchorage offers engineering and construction expertise. Von Gemmingen, a member of the convention and visitor bureau's board, will talk about government links to that institution.

"I would have been happy if all 11 (Assembly members) could have gone," Campbell said. "More information can be disseminated. More can be learned."

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REPORT RAISES TRAVEL ASSEMBLY DETAILS TRIP TO MAGADAN

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Author: PETER S. GOODMAN Daily News reporter ; Staff

As Anchorage Assemblyman Bob Bell explored the Russian Far East port city of Magadan last month during an hour of free time, he found himself staring at a palm tree -- albeit a pink, plastic one -- inside a hotel bar.

Bell got two of his fellow Assembly members, **Craig Campbell** and Joe Murdy, to stand in front of the tree, and he recorded the moment for posterity with his video camera. It seemed the thing to do, he explained later, given how "everyone seems to think we were on some kind of vacation."

That was merely a light moment amid two day's of hard work, Bell said, as he and five other Assembly members pressed Anchorage interests with their counterparts on the other side of the Bering Sea.

The taxpayer-funded trip was led by Campbell, who is chairman of the Assembly. It raised eyebrows here at home. Some people wondered whether it was necessary and whether so many Assembly members needed to go. While members routinely travel to attend conferences and other functions, they rarely go in such large groups.

Many complaints centered on the price tag, originally estimated at \$10,000. The trip ultimately cost taxpayers about \$7,000.

In a recent interview, Campbell described the trip as a success. Assembly members and their Magadan equivalents discussed ways to improve business ties between the two cities in a spirit of friendship. They ended the visit by signing a formal protocol of cooperation, he said.

They also left stuffed to the gills. The official trip report released last week includes a nine-page travel journal written by Assembly member Fay Von Gemmingen. Much of what she chose to record centers on eating and matters of digestion.

"Every square inch of our large table was filled with food, everything from whole king crab to tomatoes and cucumbers," she wrote, describing the banquet she and her colleagues hosted for more than two dozen Magadan officials -- a meal that cost Anchorage taxpayers \$730.

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In addition to the rigors of travel in the Russian Far East, the trip report also describes a goodly number of official meetings. The Anchorage delegation made a presentation on the role of the city's Chamber of Commerce in helping businesses. The delegates talked about using taxation to develop more tourism, specifically recommending that Magadan implement a bed tax and use the proceeds to market the region.

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Assembly members also answered general questions about democratic government and the concept of open meetings. When Magadan's mayor went off to his first meeting with local citizens, he turned to Campbell for advice. The mayor's knowledge was sketchy on the concept of meeting citizens, he said. How should he handle it?

Listen to the people, Campbell said, then tell them you'll look into it.

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Besides Campbell, Murdy, Bell and Von Gemmingen, Assemblymen Dan Kendall and George Wuerch went on the trip.

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CAMPBELL MOVES TO BUST PHOTO RADAR SPEEDER GRIPES SPUR ASSEMBLY REVIEW

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Wednesday, March 27, 1996
Author: PETER S. GOODMAN Daily News reporter ; Staff

Anchorage Assembly Chairman **Craig Campbell** introduced a proposal Tuesday night that would kill the city's new photo radar traffic enforcement system, which has generated complaints from dozens of motorists.

Two of Campbell's Assembly colleagues, Mark Begich and Pat Abney, introduced proposals that would roll back, but maintain, the controversial program.

The Assembly scheduled an April 23 work session to sort out the various proposals.

The system, which began early this month, photographs cars that are speeding and tickets drivers through the mail. It is in operation seven days a week around schools.

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That Campbell wants to cancel the program is no surprise. He was the only member of the Assembly to vote against the program when it was adopted three years ago.

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KEY PLAYERS IN THE WUERCH ADMINISTRATION

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Author: Staff

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Craig Campbell

JOB: Executive director, community service and development

AGE: 48

SALARY:\$92,000

Craig Campbell tried to shrink city government as a politician. As head of community service and development, however, he says his goal is to provide customer service, not cut jobs.

Community Service and Development is a newly created office that oversees three existing departments (public works, planning and project management) and one new one (customer service).

The customer service office will form a link between the existing offices through a computer network and by assigning a single person to oversee each project.

As an assemblyman between 1986 and 1996, Campbell supported consolidating programs such as the museum, library and parks and recreation into a single department and reducing the size and budget of the department of health and human services.

As a mayoral candidate in 1994, he advocated privatizing city utilities such as electricity, phone and trash pickup, and charging fees for checking out books from the library.

But Campbell says he's always supported funding essential city services. He said he learned early on in his Assembly career that a strong planning department is necessary.

Wuerch said he hired Campbell for his planning experience more than his ideology. Having a high-ranking official familiar with planning concepts will be important as the city considers its 20-year comprehensive plan, Wuerch said.

Campbell is executive staff officer to the Air National Guard's commander. He runs the staff office and oversees the budget and planning efforts, among other responsibilities.

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The odd couple - Despite their differences, Campbell, Tesche get things done

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Monday, December 24, 2001

Author: Tim Pryor Anchorage Daily News ; Staff

Opposite in interests, driven together by necessity, Assemblyman Allan Tesche and city development chief **Craig Campbell** are Anchorage's political odd couple.

Tesche has the broader vision of city government. He tried to add more spending to next year's budget than any other Assembly member. Campbell believes in the less-is-more school of government. He once suggested charging people to check out library books and in a notorious recent blooper called the Assembly communists.

The Assembly, often led by Tesche, has formed coalitions against Mayor George Wuerch. And the mayor has backed election challengers against Assembly incumbents. Yet Tesche, an Assembly leader, and Campbell, a top Wuerch exec, work closely together.

They have cut deals involving the Port of Anchorage, a contentious airport parking lot and guidelines for future big-box stores.

What they share is something crucial, though sometimes lacking, in politics: a desire to get things done. Campbell sees Tesche as barometer for the Assembly. Tesche sees Campbell as an effective negotiator from a sometimes hostile administration.

"I think there's a mutual respect from the two of us, recognizing that we come from two different political perspectives, recognizing that the right answer is in the middle," Campbell said.

"If I can achieve what I want and protect the goals that I want for an above-average Anchorage and deal with the forces of darkness and doom, I'm going to do it," Tesche said.

Campbell is the Felix of the pair: He's clean-cut, wears charcoal Brooks Brothers suits, is fairly candid and has an occasional temper. Tesche is more like Oscar. He waits longer between trips to the barber, has let his waistline expand and coins nicknames for his adversaries. Wuerch spokesman Dennis Fradley and like thinkers, for instance, are Fradroids.

Tesche took office in 1999 with an understanding of how things worked. He'd been a deputy city attorney and a department head for facility management. Since then, he has proposed more ordinances than his fellow members and formed coalitions to help pass his vision of the annual budget.

Campbell, meanwhile, is part of Wuerch's inner circle with his own history of public service. He also oversees the administration's planning, and right now, having an in at the planning department is important.

The year ahead will be a busy one in planning. Planners are starting to apply the city's new 20-year comprehensive plan by revising the city's land use code and writing town center plans, for example.

Planning Director Sue Fison says Campbell doesn't tell her which projects deserve more attention but can speed up the process when ordinances get stalled in other departments.

"When the Assembly wants something, he can put pressure on and get something out," Fison said.

Campbell was an assemblyman from 1986 to 1996 and chairman twice. That degree of Assembly experience is unique in the Wuerch administration and something of value to both the mayor and Assembly members like Tesche.

As an assemblyman, Campbell had strong socially conservative views but was willing to negotiate and compromise on other issues, said former members Bob Bell and Charles Wohlforth.

It's no wonder Tesche works with Campbell, Wohlforth said. Campbell got things done with a body that differed from him ideologically. Wuerch, as an assemblyman, was never the same kind of coalition builder, Wohlforth said.

"He'd do it by being gregarious," Wohlforth said. "He'd start with a few core supporters and make sure everyone has a little goody that brings them to your side."

Tesche and Campbell work out most of their deals in conversations, not in public work sessions, Campbell said. Tesche comes forward with most of the ideas, though Campbell did run comprehensive plan revisions by Tesche, Campbell said.

Take Tesche's big-box store ordinance, which he introduced last spring to improve the ugly warehouselike appearance of so many of the city's large retailers.

He went to Campbell first. Why? Because he knew he could pass the ordinance with six votes if he could get the Wuerch administration on board rather than the eight members he might need to override a veto in a confrontation with the mayor.

) As a result, Tesche and Campbell negotiated an interim ordinance, which was ultimately approved, and Campbell promised to return with a permanent ordinance later.

Last summer, Tesche and Campbell and JL Properties arranged a land trade to settle a fight that had erupted over plans for a giant parking lot next to a Spenard neighborhood. Part of the deal was to rezone a Midtown mobile home park from residential land to commercial.

Tesche got involved after Assemblyman Dan Sullivan had started the process but helped broker a deal with the developers and neighbors, Campbell said. Campbell offered city property to help make the deal work, Tesche said.

The city, Diamond Parking and JL Properties agreed on the deal Sept. 13, before the Planning and Zoning Commission or Assembly held public hearings.

That kind of deal making has a downside. As Planning and Zoning Commission Chairwoman Daphne Brown said, the public can be left out of land-use decisions they have the right to be part of. That can leave people thinking they don't have a say in Anchorage's development.

"If everyone's mind is made up prior to hearing the public, then what's the point of having a public process," Brown said.

Tesche and Campbell deny they're shutting the public out. Talking about an idea in advance just ensures the kinks are worked out so it doesn't become as politicized when it comes before the public, Campbell said.

Despite their working relationship, partisan differences sometimes flare up. One case arose last month when Tesche released a message that Campbell and Fradley accidentally left on his answering machine.

Campbell had called Tesche in October, thinking he was only offering an update about a port matter. But Campbell didn't hang up properly, so Tesche's recorder kept running while Campbell and Fradley talked about other issues, including a proposal to change the Assembly to single-member election districts.

) Fradley said single-member districts helped Republicans get elected. Campbell didn't think the public would go for it because they're satisfied with the Assembly as it is. "And these are communists they're electing," he said.

Tesche says the tape shows a willingness of two top executives to introduce partisan politics into local government. That would ruin a system that is now pretty good, clean and honest, he said.

Campbell says the "communists" description was inappropriate humor that he regrets. But there are real differences between the administration and much of the Assembly. One big one is the Assembly's readiness to spend more money, he said.

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Ex-Assemblyman to lead Army, Air Guard - COMMISSIONER: Craig Campbell will oversee the state's homeland security efforts.

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Author: The Associated Press ; Wire

Former Anchorage Assemblyman **Craig Campbell** was named head of state Department of Military and Veterans Affairs on Monday by Gov. Frank Murkowski.

As adjutant general and commissioner, Campbell will head the Army National Guard and Air National Guard and oversee the state's emergency services and homeland security efforts.

"As the department steps up to fulfill its new missions of homeland security and missile defense, we need a leader there who can inspire the confidence of those he leads," Murkowski said. "Craig has demonstrated solid leadership abilities over a long and dedicated career in service to the nation and Alaska."

Campbell, 50, joined the Alaska Air National Guard in 1991 and is vice commander of the 168th Refueling Wing at Eielson Air Force Base. He served nine years in the U.S. Air Force as an air traffic controller before joining the California Air National Guard.

As a civilian, Campbell served as chairman of the Anchorage Assembly and has worked as executive director for the city's Office of Planning, Development and Public Works since 2000.

Campbell will begin his duties as commissioner and adjutant general on Friday, the governor's office said.

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Palin looks outside GOP for leaders - NONPARTISAN: Governor-elect picks commissioners, chief of staff.

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Author: RACHEL D'ORO The Associated Press ; WIRE

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Maj. Gen. **Craig Campbell** will return as commissioner of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.

Campbell, adjutant general of the Alaska National Guard, was a vocal supporter during Palin's gubernatorial campaign. Campbell, 54, came to her defense when she attended a September ceremony for the deployment of 3,500 members of a Fort Richardson airborne infantry brigade instead of a candidates debate scheduled the same day.

While Palin's foes in the race for governor later criticized her choice, saying she was avoiding head-to-head matchups with her opponents, Campbell said Friday that Palin made the right decision to support the troops.

"I was tremendously impressed," he said. "Really, really impressed."

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State won't recommend disaster aid for Juneau - GOVERNOR AGREES: Power loss is severe, but it's no emergency.

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Friday, May 2, 2008
Author: ANNE SUTTON The Associated Press ; WIRE

Gov. Sarah Palin's disaster policy cabinet will not be recommending state disaster status for Juneau after avalanches severed its source of low-cost hydropower.

Palin concurred with the cabinet's decision on Thursday.

Military and Veterans Affairs Commissioner Maj. Gen. **Craig Campbell** said the economic blow to the state capital, though severe, did not rise to the level of an emergency.

"The main concern that we see is the cost of paying for that electricity. That, we came to the conclusion, is the responsibility of the electric company and the borough and city," he said.

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Campbell said the cabinet's decision was made after looking at past disaster declarations and weighing issues of equity with other regions.

Two years ago, the state declared an emergency in Kaktovik when the village's diesel generators failed and froze up during the winter. Campbell said lives and property would have been threatened if the state had not stepped in to return power to the village.

But in Juneau, back up diesel generators took up the load when the avalanches hit with no interruption in power.

Campbell added that many other communities already face high energy costs, and state officials are working on a broad, long-range plan to reduce energy costs across the state.

"It is very important that the state, when we look at any emergency declaration, equate it to what would happen anywhere in the state. That rural and urban Alaska be treated the same. That power generation be treated the same and power delivery and cost," Campbell said.

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Palin's military command limited - NATIONAL GUARD: She has been touted as Alaska's commander in chief.

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Thursday, September 4, 2008

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But the governor has no command authority overseas -- or anywhere in the United States other than Alaska, says Maj. Gen. **Craig Campbell**, the service commander of the Alaska National Guard.

"When members of the National Guard are federalized, they work for the president," Campbell said Wednesday. "It's not just overseas. They could be federalized to go to other states, or they could even be federalized in the state."

Occasions in which Palin does retain command authority over the 4,200-member Alaska National Guard are whenever the guard responds to in-state natural disasters and civic emergencies, said Campbell, who also serves as commissioner of the state Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.

Some examples?

"We've deployed individuals in state service all over the state under Sarah Palin," he said. "We had defense men down in Seward for the (Mount) Marathon run doing security."

"Out west and northwest we had erosion problems and the National Guard was involved in some of the protection out there. About three days ago, the Army National Guard picked up a lady from Little Diomedea ... at the request of state troopers."

Did Palin directly approve each of those activities?

No, Campbell said. The governor has granted him authority to act on his own in most cases, including life-or-death emergencies when a quick response is required, or minor day-to-day operations.

"Some authorities have been given to me that she has acknowledged that I can execute," he said. "For others I have to ask her each time."

The recent decision to deploy a C-17 cargo plane from the Alaska Air National Guard to Louisiana to assist during the Hurricane Gustav response was an occasion in which he briefed the governor's office and sought its approval, Campbell said. But in that case, chief of staff Mike Nizich signed off on the deployment.

The flooding that occurred in Fairbanks in late July -- in which the guard sent water trucks north to provide clean drinking water -- didn't require the governor's approval, Campbell said.

Natural disasters are fairly sporadic, says Jeremy Zidek, public information officer for the state Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, which is part of Campbell's department.

Last year, during Palin's first year as governor, there wasn't much action, Zidek said. "Thankfully we didn't have any major disasters."

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Report offers scathing critique of Alaska National Guard - UNFOUNDED: Lt. Gen. Campbell calls effort "political hatchet job."

Anchorage Daily News (AK) - Tuesday, October 14, 2008 Author: JAMES HALPIN jhalpin@adn.com ; Staff

The commander of the Alaska National Guard swung back Monday at a report critical of his department, saying its claims were an unfounded, partisan attempt to "ambush" Gov. Sarah Palin in the final weeks of the presidential campaign.

Lt. Gen. **Craig Campbell**, commissioner of the state Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, said at a news conference that the preliminary report, released Oct. 1 by Veterans for America, was "poorly written, lacking substantiation of allegations and basically filled with plain incorrect information.

"This is a political hatchet job," Campbell said. "There are always things that we can improve on, so I'm not saying we couldn't use any help. I'm saying the VFA didn't offer any help."

The report offers a scathing critique of the Guard's alleged lack of assistance -- particularly with health care -- for soldiers returning from overseas deployments. It asserts the Guard was sent to fight without proper systems in place to handle its returning vets and urges deployments to cease until the situation is fixed.

"As a result of inadequate leadership from the Governor of Alaska, among others, the Alaska National Guard has an inadequate understanding of the full range of post-combat issues," the report says.

Veterans for America bills itself as a nonpartisan advocacy and humanitarian group. Jason Forrester, co-director of its National Guard program, said claims that the report has a partisan agenda are simply not true. The report aims to improve the quality of life for guardsmen and was undertaken well before Palin was selected as Sen. John McCain's running mate, he said.

"Veterans for America first sent an employee of our organization to Alaska more than one year ago ... before 99.8 percent of the country had ever heard the name Gov. Sarah Palin," Forrester said. "It's disappointing to have such a defensive response from the leader of the men and women of the Alaska National Guard."

The report was the result of a year of research and a 10-day fact-finding mission in Alaska, he said. In addition to its claim that post-deployment programs are lacking, the report says about 25 percent of Alaska's Guard members live in villages without access to military health care providers, forcing them to travel long distances for health care -- and to front the money to do so.

The report calls for "radical changes" in the way the Guard is run, including mandatory face-to-face mental and physical health screenings following deployments and more time at home between them.

Though he conceded the Guard can always improve, Campbell took issue with a number of the findings. Specifically, the Guard does, in some cases, provide the money patients need to fly into cities for treatment, he said. And, as the Guard's mission has evolved in recent years, its assistance programs have too, he said.

The report also failed to provide any evidence tying the Guard exclusively to an alleged 400 percent increase in military families relying on the services of Food Bank of Alaska, Campbell said.

Campbell called the report "political science" without the science. But Forrester said the report calls on the state to launch its own comprehensive, scientific study of the issues precisely because it is not such a study.

When the report first came out, Campbell said he would not directly respond until the VFA released the final version, which is expected today. But Monday, he said he changed his mind because news of the report had been making waves.

The governor's special assistant for military and veterans affairs, Mark Kelsey, was on hand as an observer.

"(Palin) agrees completely with Gen. Campbell's assessment that Alaska's Guard troops are among the finest in the country," Kelsey said afterward. "So she appreciates his efforts today to provide some factual context to the baseless criticisms leveled by the Veterans for America."

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Senators: Bunde, Dyson, Green, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, Mcguire, Olson
Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Wagoner, Wielechowski & Wilken.

Representatives: Buch, Chenault, Coghill, Dahlstrom, Edgmon,
Fairclough, Foster, Harris, Hawker, Holmes, Johnson, Joule, Ledoux, Lynn
Meyer, Nelson, Roses, Salmon, Samuels, Stoltze, Thomas & Wilson.
Juneau, Alaska

Dear: 14 Senators & 22 Representative

Reference DMVA and paying ATG Veterans and their surviving
spouses. I watched Gen Campbell's make his presentation on 7 Feb
08 at 12:00 PM and listened to his Special Committee report at
1:00 PM. I made a testimony for the record at the end of that
report.

I can understand that most of you believe Gen Campbell as
he does make a superb presentation. I see that Gen Campbell
wants to look good by not increasing his budget not even to
right this wrong being done to the ATG veterans and their
surviving spouses. I am not familiar with all of DMVA
departments, but when it comes to the ATG, I started this
project on 7 Jul 03. I worked for DMVA for over 32 years, most
of that time directly for the Adjutant General.

Gen Campbell presentation pertaining to the ATG was
deceptive and dishonest. He would make you believe he was
unable to make this project a high priority prior to Governor
Palin's election. Gen Campbell's plan had little to no action
for 4 years.

I am the one that identified 26 of these ATG veterans who
retired from the Alaska ARNG, sent them letters and obtained
their discharges while DMVA was ignoring them. That's why they
now have this problem because DMVA just stood by without doing
any research or taking any action. I am the one that made up the
letter, had them sign and sent them to the AG for pay in Aug 07,
after learning that it was DMVA's responsibility to submit the
data. This letter only pertains to the Federal pay due these
veterans (approx \$800,000) the State Retirement due (approx
\$129,500) is covered on attachment 1.

This is why I continue to work for these veterans, because in
good conscience I can not leave it up to DMVA, because I do not
believe they will follow through in a timely manner because of
their age this is my priority.

The reason this was not done sooner, because DMVA indicate
a correction of records was needed and this requires
detail records to be made up, which only DMVA has on file, and
submitted by the individual, to DA Board for correction of
Military Records and until we received the letter from DA dtd 12
Jul 2007 (attachment 2). I was unaware that all that was needed
was for the DMVA to input the new pay information into the Army
pay system.

Had DMVA seek out the correct method to get these veterans paid this could have been accomplished starting in Jul 05. After failure of over 30 months on DMVA's part they still do not seem to have any priority to get these ATG veterans and their surviving spouses their money ASAP. (The State retirement could be paid immediately)

When DMVA go to the US Army pay center for action a hand carried letter should be made requesting the highest priority be given this matter because of their past failure and the advanced age of these Veterans.

I have a letter from most of these individuals authorizing me to be kept informed in their behalf and so does DMVA. I have request status several times in writing and verbal from Gen Katkus and he has refuse to give me information and referred me to their web site and as of 12 Feb 08 there has not been anything posted.

I believe that DMVA will try to find some way not to pay these veterans because when I met with Gen Katkus on 4 Feb 08 he did not know that they had this State Retirement coming and I covered it in the letter sent to the AG by each individual date Aug 07 copy attached # 3). He also indicated to me that at least two of the individual would owe the Federal Government more money then they had coming, indicating to me that they are looking for ways not to pay them, because all DMVA needs to do is submit the new pay data into the system, as most of these veterans have been retired from 1986 or sooner and that does not need to be reviewed. While work with the DMVA from 7 Jul 03 to present the input I kept hearing from DMVA members was it could not be done and ATG member did not deserve WWII status. Therefore, with Governor Palin's transparency in State Government request an immediate investigation into Gen Campbell's handling of the ATG Project, from the date of his first appointment Jan 03 to present.

ROBERT A. GOODMAN, President ATGO, Inc
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3 attachments

1. List of 27 ATG members due pay and data pertaining to their pay, updated 10 Feb 08
2. DA Ltr dtd 12 Jul 07- AG needs to input pay data
3. Sample Ltr dtd Aug 07 from ATG members to the AG requesting their pay.

4 AUG 07 UPDATED 10 FEB 08 THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF ATG MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN DISCHARGED FOR THEIR SERVICE BY THE US ARMY AND DMVA HAS A COPY OF THEIR DISCHARGE FROM THE DATES INDICATED.

NAME	DATE TO DMVA	DATE RET ARNG	PERCENT DUE	STATE RET DUE
ASR - ALASKA STATE RETIRMENT				
1. APATIKI, RALPH SR	30JUN05	MAR86	12.50	60+MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1926 AGE 82 FROM SOVOONGA DUE \$6,000 FROM ASR SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID JUL 05.				
2. BLACK, CALVIN	30JUN05	UNK	12.75	61+MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1929 AGE 79 FROM BETHEL DUE \$6,100 FROM ASR SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID JUL 05.				
3. BOOTH, IVAN J.	2MAY06	1NOV81	12.5	61MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1924 AGE 84 FROM NOATAK DUE \$6,100 FROM ASR SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID JUL 06.				
4. BOOTH, THEODORE T.	30JUN05	1JUL81	6.5	30+MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1926 AGE 82 FROM KOTZEBUE DUE \$3,000 FROM ASR SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID JUL 05.				
5. BOOTH, WENDEL T.	2MAY06	1JUN83	7.75	37MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1930 AGE 78 FROM NOATAK DUE \$3,700 FROM ASR SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID JUL 06.				
6. COMMACK, FELTON	8MAR06	1MAY84	11.75	56+MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1917 (PASS AWAY 2006) WIFE DUE \$5,600 FROM ASR SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID JUN 06				
7. GOLOGERGEN, TIMOTHY	JUN05	1JUL81	3.0	14+MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1914 (PASS AWAY 2000) WIFE DUE \$1,400, SHE IS LOCATED IN NOME DUE FROM ASR SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID JUL 05.				
8. GREIST, DAVID N.	30JUN05	1DEC75	10.25	57MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1917 AGE 91 FROM SELAWIK DUE \$5,700 FROM ASR SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID JUL 05				
9. WINFRED, JAMES	30JUN05	1DEC81	12.5	60+MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1923 AGE 85 FROM GAMBELL DUE \$6,000 FROM ASR SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID Jul 05				
10. KATCHATAG, FREDERICK	8MAR06	1DEC80	3.4	16+MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1920 AGE 88 FROM UNALAKLEET DUE \$1,600 FROM ASR SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID JUL 06.				
11. NICOLAI, NICOLAI E.	25JUN07	1MAY83	13.0	62+MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1923 AGE 85 FROM KWETHIUK DUE \$6,200 FROM ASR SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID SEP 07.				
12. NOONGWOOK, JOSEPH S.	UNK	1DEC83	UNK	UNK
DATE OF BIRTH 1925 AGE 83 FROM SOVOONGA AMOUNT UNK AS I DID NOT SUBMIT HIS APPLICATION.				
13. PANIPTCHAU, FRANKLIN	14AUG06	1JUN79	5.4	26+MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1924 AGE 84 FROM SHAKTOOLIK DUE \$2,600 FROM ASR SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID OCT 06.				

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14. PETER, JAMES K. SR 14AUG06 1JUL84 13.0 62MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1928 AGE 80 FROM AKIACHAK DUE \$6,200 FROM ASR
SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID OCT 06.

15. PHILLIP, CHARLES 25JUN07 1JAN83 13.0 62MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1922 AGE 86 FROM KWIGILLINGOK DUE \$6,200 ASR
SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID SEP 07.

16. PHILLIP, JOHN A. 25JUN07 1JUL78 13.0 62+MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1925 AGE 83 FROM AKIACHAK DUE \$6,200 ASR SHOULD
HAVE BEEN PAID SEP 07.

17. PHILLIP, ROLAND 14AUG06 1JUL81 12.8 61+MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1927 AGE 81 FROM KWIGILLINGOK DUE \$6,100 ASR
SHOULD HVE BEEN PAID OCT 06.

18. SMITH, ROY 14AUG06 1DEC80 11.8 57MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1925 AGE 83 FROM SELWICK DUE \$5,700 ASR SHOULD
HAVE BEEN PAID OCT 06.

19. TOCKTOO, VINCENT J. 8MAR06 1FEB81 5.0 24+MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1925 AGE 83 FROM SHISHMARF DUE \$2,400 ASR SHOULD
HAVE BEEN PAID JUL 06.

20. TUEROYLOKE, SEYMOUR 13MAR06 1JUL81 12.6 61MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1924 AGE 84 FROM POINT HOPE DUE \$6,100 ASR SHOULD
HAVE BEEN PAID JUL 06.

21. WAGHIYI, JOHN 13MAR06 1AUG78 12.5 61+MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1923 PASS AWAY WIFE DELLA ANCHORAGE DUE \$6,100 ASR
SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID JUL 06.

22. WALTON, JONAH K. 2MAY06 1NOV82 12.75 61MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1928 AGE 80 FROM NOATAK DUE \$6,100 ASR SHOULD HAVE
BEEN PAID JUL 06.

23. WALUNGA, WILLIS 30JUN05 1SEP82 5.0 24+MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1924 AGE 84 FROM GAMBELL DUE \$2,400 ASR SHOULD
HAVE BEEN PAID JUL 05.

24. WILSON, FRED A. 8MAR06 1MAY76 12.75 61+MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1919 PASS AWAY 28 JAN 07 NO SURIVIVING SPOUSE HAS
THREE OR FOUR CHILDREN DUE \$6,100 THIS COULD HAVE BEEN PAID TO
HIM PRIOR TO HIS DEATH IN JUL 06. THIS IS SHAMEFULL.

25. MC CANN, BILLY 10SEP07 1APR85 7.5 36MOS
DATE OF BITH 1928 AGE 80 FROM NAPAKIAK DUE \$3,600 SHOULD HAVE
BEEN PAID NOV 07.

26. TOOYAK, ANDREW N. SR 10SEP07 1JUL81 12.50 61MOS
DATE OF BITH 1927 PASS AWAY OCT 04 WIFE IRENE POINT HOPE DUE
\$6,100 SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID NOV 07.

27. WILLIAMS, TIMOTHY A. 10SEP07 1AUG73 13.00 62MOS
DATE OF BIRTH 1924 PASS AWAY WIFE HELNA AKIAK CURRENTLY IN
ANCHORAGE DUE \$6,200 SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID NOV 07.

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These former member or their surviving spouses should have been paid the money due them on the dates indicated, starting in 2005. This is over 30 months going without money due them!

This is State of Alaska money due them and it could have been paid in 30 - 60 days if it was DMVA desire. Total due approx \$129,500 ranging from \$1,400 to \$6,200 an average of \$4,796 per member.

Pay that should have been paid 2005, 7 ea total \$30,600

Pay that should have been paid 2006, 13 ea total \$64,400

Pay that should have been paid 2007, 6 ea total \$34,500

Note no payments have been made to date. Total \$129,500

These surviving range in age from 76 to 91 plus at least two have die without receiving their money, this is unforgivable! I estimate that there may be as many as 100 or more former members or their survivors that are due these benefits with an average of approx \$4,796, this could be as much as \$479,600 or more due these ATG veterans. Gen Campbell has these records at his Hq and he should have started working this issue in Nov 03, but no!! It's more like February 2008.

1. There is no written Plan
2. The individuals entitled to benefits or increase in retirement pay, have not been identified by DMVA.
3. There is no SOP to provide guidance.
4. There has not been a complete evaluation of what all this project should entail, what will it cost and how can it be completed in 6 to 8 months so these ATG veterans and their surviving spouses can receive the money due them ASAP. In my talks with DMVA they don't believe it can be done in 6 - 8 months so it can not be done!!
5. No estimate of the total dollars due these retired members and their surviving spouses.
6. No plan to pay these ATG veterans the federal money due

It is hard for me to believe that the Adjutant General could just leave this program to chance, without giving it some type of priority other than ignoring it for over 3 and one half years. He now says that Governor Palin has made this a high priority and now he has shown what can be done when you assign some of your resources to a project, because DMVA has gotten over 253 discharges in less than 12 month, this is approx 21 per month, had this been started in Oct 04 after the first discharge was issued we would have over 993 discharges issued to date and with the right priority just about every veteran or surviving spouses due money would have their discharge in hand NOW!!!!

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Rep_Carl_Gatto@legs.state.ak.us; Rep. Wes Keller
Subject: FW: Final Answers to Goodman's 14 questions
Attachments: Recommended Final Goodman 14 questions.docc.doc; Attachment A.pdf; Attachment B.pdf

Michael

I hope you can see just what Gen Campbell fail to do regarding the ATG program. On 18 Oct 04 when Lisa Murkowski presented the first discharge to Sam Herman "It was a disgrace as members passed away without being recognized," Campbell said. "I am elated to announce that from this point on, there will never be another Alaskan who doesn't receive the appropriate recognition" from 18 Oct 04 to May 07 over 40 have pass away without getting their discharge. The Alaska National Guard goal according to a letter from the Acting Sec of the Army dtd 7Oct04 was to get ever living member of the ATG recognized by Jan 05. Gen Campbell could of assigned this job to his ASST AG Army who has the resources with units through out the state, and has the responsibility's for the ARNG members who retire and would be entitled to increased benefits, to come up with a plan and see what all was required in order to get it done ASAP. There should of been a complete staffing of the project so as to complete it with the least amount of expenses. This was a once in a life opportunity for Alaska to finally recognize the ATG and for Gen Campbell to take the lead and get this WWII Native Alaska veterans and their surviving spouses (SS) recognized ASAP. No he assigned it to a the Director VA a one man shop that didn't even know what the ATG was about and he left it there until Apr 07 a period of a total of 30 months with a total # of discharges of approx 33, I, Bob Goodman furnished approx 136 during that period with and additional 65 by 6Oct07 for a total of 224, not including the first 23 for a total of 257 or 88% of those submitted at a cost of approx \$175.00 per application, then DMVA forces me out of the program. He should have set up a plan with a goal to get the discharge for all living members and SS within 12 months, knowing their ages to be 80-90 years old and their life expectance of less then 5 years, that many my have benefits coming and in some cases an increase in their retirement from 8% to over 20% ,this means that if there drawing \$320 it would go to \$800 and increase of \$480 effect back to 9 Aug 2000 or if paid in Dec 2005 it would mean \$480 x 64 months that would be \$30,720 in back pay, know one was submit for and increase until Apr 08. This is total incompetence. There is also the State of Alaska retirement that's due and this has not been paid as of 31Jul09, the ones that received there discharge in Jul 05 have been waiting 4 years for Gen Campbell figure out a way not to pay them, when all he need to do was certify their service and send the request to the Division of Retirement and Benefits and it would be If Gen Campbell would authorize their service, if they were due \$6,200 and we were to pay them 10% there total due would be \$9,077. It is very sad as I set by and watch Gen Campbell showed his prejudices concerning these fine Alaskan people year after year but establishing an goal to complete the discharges for those who may be entitled to money, to 6 - 8 months. In my dealing with Gen Campbell he has shown a complete lack of integrity when dealing with the ATG issue, he has just not been honest with me. When I called Gen Campbell on 6Jan06 about getting this program done ASAP he told me he didn't have the money for it and I said you can submit a supplemental and Gen Campbell said it's not one of my priorities, concluded the call. I hope you will join with me by not voting to confirm Gen Campbell as Lt Gov. If you have any question please call me at 279-0270. Note when reading Gen Campbell's answers to these 14 Question a good example is # 12a. BG Christensen and Mr Walton visited 34 communities from 18Oct04 to 15Jul07 without obtaining one ATG application.
Thanks for your help

Bob 907-279-0270

-----Original Message-----

From: Bailey, Frank T (DOA) [mailto:frank.bailey@alaska.gov]
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To: Robert Goodman
Subject: FW: Final Answers to Goodman's 14 questions

Hi Bob,

Let's get this moving forward. When can we meet with Campbell's office to move this forward?

Frank

DMVA QUESTION 11 JUL 07(2)

1a. DOES DMVA HAVE A WRITTEN PLAN TO GET DISCHARGES FOR ATG VETERANS IN THE MOST EXPEDIENT MANNER POSSIBLE? Yes

1b. IF SO PLEASE FURNISH A COPY AND WHEN IT WAS ESTABLISHED.
See attachment A

1c IF NOT, DESCRIBE YOUR PROCEDURES. NA, see 1a

2a. DOES DMVA HAVE A PLAN TO OBTAIN DISCHARGES FOR ALL ATG VETERANS WHO SERVED FROM 1942 TO 31 MAR 1947 OR THEIR SURVIVING SPOUSES IN THE NEXT 12 MONTHS? No, the plan is to acquire and process as many names and applications as possible over the next three - five years.

2b. IF SO WHEN WAS IT ESTABLESTED? NA, see 2a

3a. HOW MANY ATG VETERAN APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN PREPARED BY DMVA WITHOUT ASSISTANCE FROM BOB GOODMAN? 76 discharges

3b. PLEASE PROVIDE A ROSTER BY NAME, DATES OF SERVICE AND LOCATION.
See attachment B

4. PLEASE PROVIDE A ROSTER OF ATG VETERANS BY NAME, DATES OF SERVICE AND LOCATION, ALSO INDICATE THE METHOD THE DISCHARGE WAS PRESENTED, IF PERSONAL, BY WHO, BY MAIL OR OTHER METHOD INDICATE. Discharges have been presented by Senators Stevens and Murkowski, MG Campbell and other National Guard Army officers, and Jerry Beale. Senator Huggins also presented one recently. Those not personally presented were mailed.

A. ALL ATG VETERANS WHO HAVE BEEN ISSUED DISCHARGES TO DATE.
See attachment B

B. ALL ATG VETERANS WHO HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO ST LOUIS FOR DISCHARGE BUT HAVE NOT BEEN ISSUED. See attachment B

C. ALL ATG VETERANS WHO HAVE COMPLETED APPLICATIONS BUT HAVE NOT BEEN CERTIFIED. See attachment B

D. ALL ATG VETERANS OR THEIR SURVIVING SPOUSES THAT HAVE APPLIED FOR DISCHARGE, THAT ARE INCOMPLETE AND DMVA IS AWAITING ADDITIONAL DATA SUCH AS DEATH CERTIFICATE, INCOMPLETE DATA, ETC, BY NAME AND LOCATION. See attachment B

5a. HOW MANY REQUESTS FOR FUNDING TO COMPLETE ATG VETERAN'S DISCHARGES HAVE BEEN REQUESTED FROM THE STATE OF ALASKA AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT BY DMVA FROM 18 OCT 2004 TO PRESENT? Funding for the DMVA ATG Project is derived from both Federal and State entities. FFY for the purposes of this question is the Federal Fiscal Year 1 Oct. 2004 thru Federal Fiscal Year ending 30 Sept 2007.

FFY 2005 DMVA made no request
FFY 2006 DMVA made no request
FFY 2007 DMVA made one Request for \$20,000.00
FFY 2008 DMVA is making one Request for \$20,000.00

SFY for the purposes of this question is the State Fiscal Year 1 July 2004 thru State Fiscal Year ending 30 June 2007.

SFY 2005 DMVA made no request
SFY 2006 DMVA made no request
SFY 2007 DMVA made no request
SFY 2008 DMVA made no request

5b. WHAT HAS BEEN THE RESULT TO DATE. PLEASE FURNISH AMOUNT AND HOW IT HAS BEEN USED. DMVA has received a total of \$60,000.00, \$10,000.00 on the federal side and \$50,000.00 on the State side in 2007.

The fund expenditures have been used in the following manner:
SFY 2004 \$18,000 - Mr. Goodman, State employee - Data Collection
SFY 2005 \$0,000 - No financial activity - Data Collection
SFY 2006 \$0,000 - No financial activity - Data Collection
SFY 2007 \$10,000 - Mr. Goodman, ATGO - Data Collection
SFY 2008 \$15,000 - Mr. Goodman, ATGO - Data Collection (Pending)

6. IF NO FUNDING HAS BEEN REQUESTED FROM THE STATE OF ALASKA OR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO OBTAIN THESE ATG VETERAN'S DISCHARGES WHY?
NA, see 5a and 5b

7a. WHAT HAS BEEN DMVA'S COST PER ATG VETERAN APPLICANT COMPLETED? Itemized ATG costs, beyond what was paid to ATGO under contract or to Mr. Goodman who worked this project when he was an employee, are not being tracked by DMVA as a specific line item.

7b. PLEASE INCLUDE SALARY, TRAVEL, OFFICE SPACE, SUPPLIES, POSTAGE, PHONE, EQUIPMENT, ETC? DO NOT INCLUDE ANY ATG VETERANS APPLICATION FURNISHED BY BOB GOODMAN. See above 7a

8. HOW MUCH TIME DOES IT TAKE DMVA TO PROCESS A COMPLETED ATG VETERAN'S APPLICATION? PLEASE EXPLAIN. DMVA takes up to 30 to 60 days. Steps include verification of information provided on the application, Make copies of the proofed application, convene a board of officers to vet the application, submit the vetted applications for TAG approval, and submit the application to the Army for final discharge approval. Applications that are not sufficiently completed may take longer.

9. OF THE OVER 135 ATG VETERAN'S APPLICATIONS DMVA HAVE RECEIVED FROM BOB GOODMAN (ATGO, Inc.) HOW MANY OF THEM HAVE BEEN REJECTED OR RETURNED FOR CORRECTIVE ACTION? PLEASE EXPLAIN.
DMVA is not tracking duplicate, rejected, or returned applications. ATGO, Inc would have that information readily available. It was their applications, if any, that were returned. The DMVA Goals are outlined in Attachment A.

10. AT THE PRESENT RATE AND RESOURCES THAT DMVA IS PUTTING INTO GETTING THESE ATG VETERANS HAS THEIR DISCHARGES, WHEN DO YOU BELIEVE IT WILL BE COMPLETED? WHAT IS YOUR CURRENT GOAL FOR GETTING THESE SENIOR VETERANS THEIR DISCHARGES? The application process is on-going and will remain in place as long as ATG members and/or family members submit applications.

11. THERE ARE 19 VETERANS OF THE ATG OR THEIR SURVIVING SPOUSES THAT ARE ENTITLED TO RECEIVED MILITARY RETIREMENT PAY, HAS DMVA ADVISED THEM THAT THEY ARE ENTITLED TO AN INCREASE IN RETIREMENT PAY BASED ON THEIR ATG SERVICE AND THAT IN ORDER TO GET THIS INCREASE THEY MUST SUBMIT FOR A CORRECTION OF RECORD. THE AMOUNT DUE THESE VETERANS OR THEIR SPOUSES IS APPROX \$450,000. ALSO WHAT IS THE STATUS OF CALVIN BLACK'S REQUEST WHICH WAS SUBMITTED OVER 12 MONTHS AGO?

DMVA would like for Mr. Goodman to identify the 19 veterans so appropriate action may be taken.

Calvin Black has received his ATG discharge and Mr. Goodman assisted Mr. Black in submitting an Application for Correction of Military Record dated September 4, 2006 to the federal Army Review Board. On December 19, 2006 Mr. Goodman requested the DMVA Veterans Affairs Office look into Mr. Black's case. Since the request went to the federal government, DMVA had no authority to intervene in the process. Mr. Black was notified by the Department of the Army on July 12, 2007 to send the request to the Adjutant General of Alaska for resolution.

Had Mr. Black requested his award of retirement points from DMVA, the delay in waiting for a federal answer could have been avoided.

Mr. Black has since passed away but his spouse is eligible for increased benefits. The correct action has now been submitted to the appropriate authority. The Alaska Army National Guard Personnel Office will follow appropriate procedures to pay Mrs. Black all funds due to her because of her husband's military service in the ATG and Alaska National Guard.

12a. FROM 18 OCT 04 TO PRESENT HOW MANY VILLAGES OR TOWNS THAT HAD ATG VETERANS DID GEN CHRISTERSON AND JERRY WALTON VISIT BG Christensen and Mr. Walton visited 34 "at risk" communities during this time period. ATG data collection was not the purpose or intent of these issue specific Government-to-Government (G2G) visits. The number of ATG members is Unknown; DMVA was not tracking ATG membership or conducting ATG business in these communities.

12b. AND HOW MANY ATG VETERAN'S APPLICATIONS DID THEY OBTAIN?
None

12c. PLEASE FURNISH COST OF TRAVEL TO INCLUDE PER DIEM AND MILITARY AIRCRAFT ALSO FURNISH LOCATION VISITED AND DATES. No military aircraft were used during BG Christensen's consultation visits. These visits were G2G specific and are confidential federal information. These trips were not ATG related.

13a. WHAT DO DMVA INTEND TO DO TO OBTAIN THE (10 TO 40) ATG VETERAN'S APPLICATIONS THAT ATGO CURRENTLY HAS THAT CAN BE FINALIZED WITHIN TWO WEEKS OR MORE? The question is not clearly understood, what 10-40 Applications? During contract negotiations Mr. Goodman was asked to enumerate and provide the applications he currently had in his possession. ATGO desired to be compensated for applications collected prior to and outside of any agreement with DMVA to perform such work. In response, Mr. Goodman provided 15 applications that were submitted timely. (See question part B below).

ATGO was provided with ample opportunity to be forthright in the number of applications in ATGO possession and was provided a contractual mechanism to be compensated for those applications. ATGO was given a contract that clearly states that DMVA will not accept any additional ATG applications 15 days after the start of the contract and payment for applications that are approved would not exceed \$15,000.00. Additional applications in ATGO's possession should have been submitted by that deadline.

If there are additional applications in Mr. Goodman's possession, we would hope that he turns them over to DMVA ASAP for processing regardless of what level of completion exists. ATGO continued collection and retention of applications, in expectation of compensation from the State of Alaska, only delays recognition and is a great disservice to ATG members and their families. DMVA will collect the same names using alternative methods.

13b. WHAT IS THE STATUS OF THE 15 ATG VETERAN'S APPLICATIONS THAT DMVA RECEIVED ON 25 JUN 07? The status at this time is the 15 applications provided by ATGO are ready to be boarded and if approved sent to the TAG for signature.

13c. WHEN WILL THEY BE COMPLETED? ASAP

14a. HAVE DMVA RECEIVED AND PROCESSED APPLICATIONS FOR DISCHARGES WHICH THE STATE HAS NOT PAID FOR? Yes

14b. IF SO, HOW MANY AND FROM WHOM? Approximately 76 applications have been processed. The applications were received from individuals.

Attachment A

Alaska Territorial Guard Data Collection project

- Purpose:** To collect applications for Federal Transcript of Military Record and Certificates of Discharge for Alaska Territorial Guard (ATG) members who served their country from 1942 -1947.
- Priority number one:** Collect and process applications of living ATG members.
- Priority number two:** Collect and process applications of deceased ATG members who have a surviving spouse still living.
- Priority number three:** Collect and process applications of deceased ATG members.
- History:** Over the last three years 150+ applications have been received and processed. The cost for acquiring those names has increased dramatically to \$1,000.00 per name. With over 6,000 known ATG members the total cost for this project could exceed \$3,000,000.00. This is unacceptable from a cost/benefit perspective.
- New Approach:** DMVA is taking a new approach to the data collection by utilizing local community support to gather names and help prepare application for processing. The local Tribal Governments are being asked to help with this project. This approach has meet with early success by collection over 200 applications in a three month period that began in April of this year.
- This approach has many benefits for DMVA, not only does it provide a "force multiplier effect" on name collection, but it also make for great community relations and recruiting opportunities. The cost for this approach is still being calculated. Outside of in-house time no funds have been expended.
- Expectation:** The continuation of this project and this approach is expected to yield at a minimum 30-50 application a month. The number per month will fluctuate as each community will be sending applications in batches.
- Funding:** In addition to State funding a federal funding mechanism has been identified and tapped. \$10 -20,000.00 of federal funds are being utilized to support this project. The federal driver for this is a Congressional requirement of the Secretary of the Army to provide discharge papers to ATG members.

Michael Rovito

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Subject: Document.pdf(AGO No 221-06-1269 & AGO No 661-08-0255)
Attachments: Document.pdf

Document.pdf
Michael

Sorry it took so long on this section. Attached are the ruling on these two cases. Case AGO No 221-06-1269 ruled on the amount of money to be paid for 22 years and two months. Note 5 years and 2 months is service in the ATG and he was paid for that amount of service. The next ruling AGO No 661-08-0255 states that service in the ATG doesn't count for NGNMRS. If you go to Sec 26.05.225. Earlier service on page 2 is reads "as a member of the National Guard and Territorial Guard before and after January 1969, in determining eligibility for retirement benefits" How can you use National Guard and not use Territorial Guard, it just would not be possible unless you are making the ruling. All Gen Campbell needed to do was sign the as the Certifying officer or have one of his officers sign on Application for Retirement Benefits.

That's what they did on the one that was paid in 2006 case AGO No 221-06-1269, the Department of Administration has never paid any NGNMRS retirement w/o DMVA's Verification of Service. Hope you can make some sense out of all this. Remember there are over 150 who have not been paid some have been waiting from Jun 2005, that is over 4 years, at \$6,200 10% interest that would be \$2,877 in interest for a total \$9,077. You must remember these Veterans are over 80 years old so some are gone.

Thanks for your time.

Bob

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April 26, 2006

~~██████████~~
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Re: In The Matter of: ~~██████████~~ Claim for
National Guard Retirement Benefits
AGO No. 221-06-1269

Dear ~~Mr. ██████████~~:

I am an assistant attorney general and I represent the Division of Retirement and Benefits. I reviewed your request for retirement benefits under the National Guard and Naval Militia Retirement System (NGNMRS). Based on my discussions with the Division, the Division is willing to settle this matter by paying you a lump sum of \$20,572.23.

A review of the legislative history of the NGNMRS is important in understanding the Division's settlement proposal. The legislature first provided for retirement benefits for members of the National Guard in 1972. Attachment 1. Only an "active member" was eligible for benefits, which was \$50 per month for each month that the member served. By 1972, you were no longer an active member and therefore not eligible for benefits. In 1980, the legislature amended the law to include "former" members and increased the payment to \$100 per month for each month that the member had served. Attachment 2 at p. 6. In 1988, the legislature again amended the law to provide for additional payment options. One of the options was that a member could elect to receive monthly payments "in a monthly amount that will result in payment by the member's 72nd birthday of an amount that is determined to be the actuarial equivalent of the entire pension due at the time of retirement." Attachment 3.

In February 2005, the Division sent you an "Election of Form of Payment" providing for various forms of payment. You chose the second option. The second option provided that you could receive monthly payments of \$91.10, which would

terminate in December 2001, when you reached 72 years of age, and that the total you would receive would be \$34,709.10. Attachment 4. The Division subsequently notified you that it had mistakenly offered this option to you. You had already reached 72 years of age and therefore you were not eligible to take this option.

We recently determined that even if you chose this option when it was first available in 1988, you would have received a total amount of \$20,572.23 and not \$34,709.10. The Division had not correctly calculated the benefit. If you had taken that option when it first became available in 1988, you would have received \$126.21 a month until you reached 72 years of age (13 years and 7 months, which equals \$20,572.23).

Since you are now over 72 years of age, it is now a legal impossibility to make monthly payments until you reach 72 years of age. However, the Division is willing to resolve this matter by paying you a lump sum payment of \$20,572.23. Your other option is to accept \$100 per month for the next 22 years and two months, which would total \$26,600.

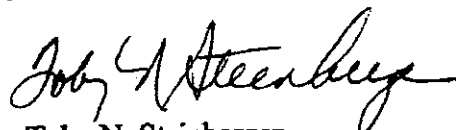
5 YRS 2 MOS 15 SERVICE IN ATG

I have enclosed a settlement agreement for you to sign if you find this settlement offer acceptable. I know that the legislative history of the NGNMRS is complicated. If you have any questions regarding the legislative history or the settlement offer, please feel free to contact me. The settlement agreement is for settlement purposes only.

Sincerely,

DAVID W. MÁRQUEZ
ATTORNEY GENERAL

By:



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December 22, 2008

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Re: Alaska Territorial Guard
AGO No. 661-08-0255

Dear Mr. Goodman:

I have been asked to respond to your letter to Attorney General Colberg dated November 8, 2008. In your letter, you contend that persons who served in the Alaska Territorial Guard ("ATG") from 1942 to 1947 are entitled to retirement benefits under the Alaska National Guard and Alaska Naval Militia Retirement System ("NGNMRS"). The ATG was a military reserve component of the US Army, which was organized in 1942 when the Alaska National Guard was dispatched out of Alaska.

I have researched your question and conclude that persons who served in the ATG can use years of service in the ATG to meet the 20 year eligibility requirement of the NGNMRS. However, if they are eligible for NGNMRS benefits, their benefits are based solely on their years of service to the Alaska National Guard or the Alaska Naval Militia. Their benefits are not based on their years of service in the ATG or other military service.

When an Alaska National Guard or Naval Militia service member applies for NGNMRS retirement benefits, the first issue that the Division of Retirement and Benefits must decide is whether the member, including a former member, is *eligible* to receive a NGNMRS retirement benefit. Under AS 26.05.224(a), a member of the Alaska National Guard or Alaska Naval Militia is *eligible* for a retirement benefit if the member has 20 or more years of service in total (and in any combination) in the Alaska National Guard, Naval Militia or other military

service, so long as five of the years of military service are in the Alaska National Guard or Alaska Naval Militia.

Sec. 26.05.224. Retirement benefits.

(a) An active member of the Alaska National Guard, or a former member who was an active member on or after January 1, 1969, or a member of the Alaska Naval Militia on or after July 1, 1980, is *eligible* for a retirement pension

(1) upon voluntary retirement from the Alaska National Guard or Alaska Naval Militia after a total of 20 years or more of satisfactory service in the Alaska National Guard, Alaska Naval Militia, or the armed forces of the United States, and the reserves of them, or any combination of service in these components if at least five years of the service is in the Alaska National Guard or Alaska Naval Militia; or

(2) upon involuntary separation because of federal standards imposed on the Alaska National Guard or Alaska Naval Militia, regardless of length of service, unless the separation occurs as a result of the member's own misconduct, misrepresentation, or unwillingness to satisfy established standards for continued participation. (Emphasis added).

Under AS 26.05.225, the Division counts a member's years of ATG military service when it calculates whether the member has 20 years of military service and therefore *eligible* to receive NGNMRS benefits. Alaska Statute 26.05.224(a)(1) provides in pertinent part:

Sec. 26.05.225. Earlier service.

A person who was a member of the Alaska National Guard on or after January 1, 1969, is entitled to credit for service to the state and former territory of Alaska as a member of the National Guard and Territorial Guard before and after January 1, 1969, in determining *eligibility* for retirement

How can you indicate Territorial Guard service don't count for retirement pay ~~benefit~~ and indicate National Guard does?

Robert A. Goodman
ATGOI

December 22, 2008

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*SHE HAD TO BE LOOKING FOR AWAY
NOT TO PAY ATG MEMBERS.*

benefits under AS 26.05.224. (Emphasis added). (Emphasis added).

Thus, a member or former member of the National Guard is *eligible* for benefits if the member has at least 20 years of military service and the 20 years of service may include years of military service in the ATG.

If a person is "eligible" for benefits, the next question for the Division to determine is the amount that the eligible member receive will receive in benefits. Alaska Statute 26.05.224(a)(1) and AS 26.05.225 do not address how the Division calculates an eligible member's benefits. Rather, AS 26.05.224(b) dictates how the Division calculates an eligible member's benefits. Alaska Statute 26.05.224(b) provides that the retirement benefit is \$100 a month for each month that the member served in either the Alaska National Guard or the Alaska Naval Militia. Months of service in any other military service are not counted. Consequently, since the ATG was federalized military service and was never part of the Alaska National Guard or Alaska Naval Militia, the Division cannot count months of ATG military service when it calculates an eligible member's retirement benefit.¹ Alaska Statute 26.05.224(b) reads:

(b) The retirement pension is \$100 a month, payable for the same number of months that the member participated satisfactorily in the Alaska National Guard or Alaska Naval Militia.

I understand that you were never in the ATG and therefore have not made a claim for NGNMRS benefits based on ATG service. However, according to the correspondence that you provided, you appear to know persons who served in the ATG.

Under AS 26.05.222, the Commissioner of Administration is charged with administering the NGNMRS. Consequently, the Commissioner of Administration makes the final decision regarding claims for NGNMRS retirement benefits. Persons who are denied NGNMRS benefits by the Division of Retirement and Benefits can always seek review by the Commissioner of Administration.

¹ Accordingly, in legislation, the Alaska Legislature distinguishes the ATG from the Alaska National Guard. See for example, AS 18.56.101, AS 26.10.080, AS 44.29.530, AS 47.55.900.

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I have attached for your convenience the applicable statutes.

Sincerely,

TALIS J. COLBERG
ATTORNEY GENERAL

By:



Toby N. Steinberger
Assistant Attorney General
Labor & State Affairs Section

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cc: Kathy Lea, Retirement Manager,
Division of Retirement and Benefits
Jerry Beale, Veterans' Affairs Administrator
Dep't of Military and Veterans' Affairs



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The Attorney General
Talis Colberg
PO Box 110300
Juneau, AK 99811-0300

907-279-0270

6 November 2008

Dear Mr Colberg

I am writing in behalf of former Alaska Territorial Guard members and their surviving spouses, who in the past in some cases where they could present proof of their service in the ATG, they were paid the \$100 per month authorized by Military Code of Alaska Sec 26.05.224 to include Sec. 26.05.225. Quote "Earlier service. A person who was a member of the Alaska National Guard on or after January 1, 1969, is entitled to credit for service to the state and former territory of Alaska as a member of the National Guard and Territorial Guard before and after January 1, 1969, in determining eligibility for retirement benefits under AS 26.05.224. (17 ch 159 SLA 1972: as 13 ch 146 SLA 1980."

I served in the Alaska National Guard from 1 Aug 54 to 31 Jul 85. I am currently being paid for that service at \$100 per month. This law was written at the request of the Adjutant General and the Alaska National Guard Officer Association; I was serving in the Alaska National Guard during the enactment. This law was always meant to cover service in the ATG from January 1942 to 31 Mar 1947. The current Adjutant General has indicated by letter from him, his assistant and the Director of VA that this service does not count for Alaska National Guard Military retirement because "Federal active duty time does not count for calculating state retirement pay. National Guard retirees who served in the ATG are therefore not eligible for additional retirement from the state" (See memo from Jerry Beale to Ginny Austerman dtd 11 Apr 08) (Atchd) "On more than one occasion it has been explained to you that ATG service was federal service in time of war. ATG Federal service does not qualify ATG members for State of Alaska retirement benefits." (See Ltr from BG Katkus to Mr Goodman dtd 18 Sep 08 to include Mr Goodman's replies to BG Katkus dtd 20 Oct 08 and 24 Oct 08 (All Atchd)) & "However, the additional five years do not qualify him for any additional State of Alaska retirement benefits." (Ltr from Maj Gen Campbell dtd 15 Jul 08 to Mrs Helena Williams (Copy Atchd) this letter was not received by Mrs Williams until 12 Aug 08) Note the ATG service was not active federal until the law was passed on 9 Aug 2000 (Copy attached). DMVA have not made anything available to me indicating who and when this decision was made, if a decision has been made it should be in writing. They have never answered the question ask in the letters from me asking status. None of

these people making this decision understand why the law included ATG service and they do not want to pay them for this ATG service. Again I want to emphasize that member of the ATG who had proof were paid \$100 per month for their service in the ATG. Mr Sam Herman who retired from the Alaska National Guard after 18 Oct 2004, effective 9 Aug 2000 was paid for his ATG service of 5 years and two months. This was done in May 2006, yet no other member was paid even after they ask to be paid by letter to the Adjutant General in Aug 2007. They were not even given a reply as of Jul 2008 (Example atchd).

Again federal Active duty does not count for State of Alaska retirement unless you buy the time up to 5 years, however service in the Alaska National Guard and Territorial Guard service counts under the Military Code of Alaska, this service counts even if it is active federal service. Alaska National Guard members who are ordered to active duty either during time of war or not are entitled to State of Alaska Military retirement as long as they remain members of the Alaska National Guard or Territorial Guard during that service.

If you could make your determination as soon as possible it would be greatly appreciated. These former ATG Senior Native Alaskan Veterans, hero's of WWII and their surviving spouses, range in age from late 70's to over 90, many have already die. Fifty-three per cent are from the Nome-Kotzebue area and these senior veterans need their benefits now.

I'm also including my letters to Department of Administration. Thank you for your time. I look forward to an early reply.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Goodman
President ATGO Inc

Attachments

1. Military Code Sec 26.05.224 & 225
2. Memo Beale dtd 11Apr08 to Austerman
3. Ltr from BG Katkus dtd 18 Sep 08 w/2 Attachments, Information Paper & Document is page 17 of 85 pages
- 4-5. Letters from Bob Goodman to BG Katkus dtd 20-24 Oct 08
6. Ltr from MG Campbell to Mrs Williams dtd 15 Jul 08
7. Public Law Pertaining to Alaska Territorial Guard
- 8-9. Ltr from Mrs Williams dtd 3 Dec 07 and 2 Jul 08
- 10-11. Ltr Bob Goodman dtd 29 Oct 07 and 3 Dec 07 to BG Katkus
- 12-13. Ltr from Bob Goodman dtd 22 Apr 08 to Gen Campbell and his reply dtd 28 Apr 08. No attachments included.
- 14-15. Ltr from Bob Goodman dtd 29 May 08 to Gen Campbell and Gen Campbell's reply dtd 11 Jul 08 rec by me on 6 Aug 08 w/BG Katkus ltr dtd 16 Jan 08 w/Info Paper.
16. Ltr from Bob Goodman dtd 12 Aug 08 to Gen Campbell
- 17-18. Letters from Bob Goodman to Kathy Lea DQA dtd 2-6 Nov 08

Application for Retirement Benefits

National Guard and Naval Militia Retirement System



Division of Retirement and Benefits
 P.O. Box 110203
 Juneau, Alaska 99811-0203
 Phone: Juneau—(907) 465-4460
 FAX: (907) 465-3086 or TDD: (907) 465-2805

I hereby apply for retirement benefits to which I may be entitled in accordance with the provisions of Section 222 through 228 of Alaska Statutes 26.05 governing the Alaska National Guard and Naval Militia Retirement System. I understand that I may elect to defer receipt of my monthly payments until a later day. If deferred, benefits will not commence until the first of the month following receipt of new application.

Section I. Personal Data

Member's Name (Last, First, M.I.)	Social Security Number	DEFERRAL ELECTION <input type="checkbox"/> elect to defer my benefit. If deferred, I understand I have to reapply before benefits can commence.
Mailing Address (City, State, ZIP+4)		
Marital Status <input type="checkbox"/> Married—Date _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced—Date _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed	
Work Phone Number ()	Home Phone Number ()	

Section II. Beneficiary Designation

In the event of my death prior to receiving all monthly benefits due me, I understand that the remaining benefit will be paid in a lump sum to my beneficiaries.

Place an "X" in the appropriate box to specify whether the beneficiary is primary or contingent. The "primary" beneficiary or beneficiaries will receive benefits if you die. The "contingent" beneficiary or beneficiaries will receive benefits ONLY if the primary is deceased. My beneficiaries are:

PRIMARY	<input type="checkbox"/>	Last Name, First, M.I.	Percentage	Date of Birth	Relationship
Mailing Address (City, State, ZIP+4)			Social Security Number		

Check whether beneficiary is the primary or contingent

PRIMARY	<input type="checkbox"/>	Last Name, First, M.I.	Percentage	Date of Birth	Relationship
CONTINGENT	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Mailing Address (City, State, ZIP+4)			Social Security Number		

PRIMARY	<input type="checkbox"/>	Last Name, First, M.I.	Percentage	Date of Birth	Relationship
CONTINGENT	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Mailing Address (City, State, ZIP+4)			Social Security Number		

I hereby certify that the information provided on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any deliberate misrepresentation for the purpose of obtaining benefits is an offense punishable by law.

Signature of Retiree	Date
Signature of Witness (must not be a beneficiary)	Date

Section III. Employer use only. Alaska National Guard and Naval Militia Verification of Service

Records at this headquarters verify the following information in reference to this application:

- Verified total years of satisfactory military service: _____
- Type of retirement: Voluntary Involuntary (Reason): _____
- Total Alaska National Guard and Naval Militia service: _____ and _____ as of (separation date) _____ / _____ / _____
 Years Months Month Day Year
- Individual is qualified for _____ months of retirement pay at \$ _____ per month.

Date sent to the Division of Retirement and Benefits	Certifying Officer Title	Date
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L Name, F Name	Location	living	deceased	discharged	Pending
Peter, James Sr.	Akiakchak			10-Oct-06	
Henley, Samuel C.	Anchorage			10-Oct-06	
Smith, Buell R.	Anchorage			10-Oct-06	
Thorgaard, Olaf H.	Anchorage			10-Oct-06	
Ahkivgak, Herbert	Barrow			10-Oct-06	
Toovak, Kenneth	Barrow			10-Oct-06	
Dull, Arthur	Bethel			10-Oct-06	
Hall, Jeptha R.	Bethel			10-Oct-06	
Karmun, Daniel	Deering			10-Oct-06	
Andrews, William S.	Dillingham			10-Oct-06	
Bartman, Gust	Dillingham			10-Oct-06	
Noden, Walter M.	Dillingham			10-Oct-06	
Opland, Robert N.	Dillingham			10-Oct-06	
Roehl, Charles A.	Dillingham			10-Oct-06	
Roehl, Edwin W.	Dillingham			10-Oct-06	
Soolook, Paul	Diomedede			10-Oct-06	
Kibby, Ralph L.	Douglas			10-Oct-06	
Petluska, James	Eek	X		10-Oct-06	
Beebe, Fritz	Eek			10-Oct-06	
Henry, James	Eek			10-Oct-06	
McIntyre, Tom G.	Eek			10-Oct-06	
Iyakitan, Daniel O.	Gambell			10-Oct-06	
Aningayou, Steven K.	Gambell			10-Oct-06	
Apatiki, Ralph A.	Gambell			10-Oct-06	
Booshu, Benjamin	Gambell			10-Oct-06	
Irrigoo, Clarence M.	Gambell			10-Oct-06	
James, Winfred	Gambell			10-Oct-06	
Oozeva, Conrad A.	Gambell			10-Oct-06	
Oozeva, Stanley A.	Gambell			10-Oct-06	
Silook, Roger	Gambell			10-Oct-06	
Ungwiluk, Wallace K.	Gambell			10-Oct-06	
Walunga, Willis K.	Gambell			10-Oct-06	
Hayes, Howard C.	Glacier Highway			10-Oct-06	
Hendricks, Jake J.	Glacier Highway			10-Oct-06	
Oktoyak, James	Hamilton			10-Oct-06	
Osborne, James S.	Hoonah			10-Oct-06	
Osborne, William R.	Hoonah			10-Oct-06	
Wilson, Frederick	Hooper Bay			10-Oct-06	
Topkok, Chester	Igloo			10-Oct-06	
Boddy, Douglas C.	Juneau			10-Oct-06	
Kassner, Arthur H.	Juneau			10-Oct-06	
Olsen, Sigurd L.	Juneau			10-Oct-06	
Shaw, George F.	Juneau			10-Oct-06	
Eichner, Kenneth C.	Ketchikan			10-Oct-06	

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Eines, Ivar G.	Ketchikan			10-Oct-06	
Johnson, Robert H.	Ketchikan			10-Oct-06	
Zerbetz, Gordon J.	Ketchikan			10-Oct-06	
Mulluck, Robert Sr	Kiana			10-Oct-06	
Dobson, Tommy	King Cove			10-Oct-06	
Kunnuk, Leo	King Island			10-Oct-06	
Pushruk, Thommas A.	King Island			10-Oct-06	
Frost, Thomas Jr.	Kodiak			10-Oct-06	
Schaeffer, John W.	Kotzebue		x	10-Oct-06	
Harris, Henry S.	Kotzebue			10-Oct-06	
Henry, Daniel	Kotzebue			10-Oct-06	
Howarth, Abraham	Kotzebue			10-Oct-06	
Howarth, Pauline	Kotzebue			10-Oct-06	
Adams, Alfred	Koyuk			10-Oct-06	
Andrew, John Sr	Kwigillingok			10-Oct-06	
Black, Calvin	Kwigillingok			10-Oct-06	
Phillip, Roland	Kwigillingok			10-Oct-06	
Alstrom, Fred W.	Kwiguk			10-Oct-06	
Lauridsen, Chris M.	Kwiguk			10-Oct-06	
Hunter, Donald	Marshall			10-Oct-06	
Beans, Patrick	Mountain Village			10-Oct-06	
Moses, Roy	Mountain Village			10-Oct-06	
Peterson, Andrew O.	Naknek			10-Oct-06	
Aluskak, John Sr.	Napakiak			10-Oct-06	
Andrew, Eddie	Napakiak			10-Oct-06	
Evan, Nickefala	Napakiak			10-Oct-06	
Nokowallera, John	Napakiak			10-Oct-06	
Wassillie, Oscar E.	Napakiak			10-Oct-06	
Walton, Jonah K.	Noatak			10-Oct-06	
Arnold, Dwight K.	Noatak			10-Oct-06	
Booth, Gene N.	Noatak			10-Oct-06	
Booth, Ivan J.	Noatak			10-Oct-06	
Booth, Theodore T.	Noatak			10-Oct-06	
Booth, Wendell T.	Noatak			10-Oct-06	
Melton, Wilber K.	Noatak			10-Oct-06	
Mitchell, Robert L. Sr	Noatak			10-Oct-06	
Norton, James O. Sr	Noatak			10-Oct-06	
Onalik, Herbert E.	Noatak			10-Oct-06	
Bowman, Reuben L.	Nome			10-Oct-06	
Mogg, Samuel S.	Nome			10-Oct-06	
Coffin, Levi T.	Noorvik			10-Oct-06	
Agnes, Henry B.	Nulato			10-Oct-06	
Ambrose, Stanislaus P.	Nulato			10-Oct-06	
Esmailka, Berchmans	Nulato			10-Oct-06	
Esmailka, Gerald F.	Nulato			10-Oct-06	

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George, Victor P.	Nulato			10-Oct-06	
Hildebrand, Eddie	Nulato			10-Oct-06	
Sommer, Frederick W.	Nulato			10-Oct-06	
Samuelson, John R.	Nunapitchuk			10-Oct-06	
Herman, Sam	Nunivak Island			10-Oct-06	
Jacobs, Frank	Nunivak Island			10-Oct-06	
Shaving, Henry J.	Nunivak Island			10-Oct-06	
Whitman, George K.	Nunivak Island			10-Oct-06	
Isaac, Alexander	Ohogamute			10-Oct-06	
Anderson, Byron	Palmer			10-Oct-06	
Anderson, Merle L.	Palmer			10-Oct-06	
Ising, Herbert E.	Palmer			10-Oct-06	
Linn, Kenneth A.	Palmer			10-Oct-06	
Lucas, Leo J.	Palmer			10-Oct-06	
Hammer, James L.	Petersburg			10-Oct-06	
Israelson, Spenser N.	Petersburg			10-Oct-06	
Heckman, Tommy	Pilot Station			10-Oct-06	
Nick, Charlie	Pilot Station			10-Oct-06	
Fancyboy, Evan	Pitkas Point			10-Oct-06	
John, Francis	Pitkas Point			10-Oct-06	
Koonook, Luke	Point Hope	x		10-Oct-06	
Towksihea, Julian B	Point Hope			10-Oct-06	
Tuzroyluke, Seymour	Point Hope			10-Oct-06	
Beebe, Paul	Quinhagak	x		10-Oct-06	
Hunter, Joseph	Quinhagak			10-Oct-06	
Jones, Paul W.	Quinhagak			10-Oct-06	
Kuku, George	Quinhagak			10-Oct-06	
Gundersen, Christian Jr.	Sanak Island			10-Oct-06	
Gunderson, Emil	Sanak Island			10-Oct-06	
Moses, Carl E.	Sanak Island			10-Oct-06	
Goloergen Arthur	Savoonga			10-Oct-06	
Gologergen, Timothy Sr.	Savoonga			10-Oct-06	
Kiyuklook, Herbert	Savoonga			10-Oct-06	
Kogassaghoon, Emerson	Savoonga			10-Oct-06	
Noongwook, Joseph	Savoonga			10-Oct-06	
Waghiyi, John	Savoonga			10-Oct-06	
Smith, Roy	Selawik			10-Oct-06	
Paulsteiner, John A.	Seward			10-Oct-06	
Protzman, Jerald A.	Seward			10-Oct-06	
Stanton, Barton L.	Seward			10-Oct-06	
Watsjold, Oscar B.	Seward			10-Oct-06	
Eningowuk, Dalbert	Shishmaref			10-Oct-06	
Kiyutelluk, Davis	Shishmaref			10-Oct-06	
Ningealook, Davey	Shishmaref			10-Oct-06	
Pootoogooluk, Alvin K.	Shishmaref			10-Oct-06	

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Pootoogooluk, Harvey	Shishmaref			10-Oct-06	
Tocktoo, Arthur	Shishmaref			10-Oct-06	
Tocktoo, Stephen	Shishmaref			10-Oct-06	
Tocktoo, Vincent	Shishmaref			10-Oct-06	
Weyiovanna, Alex N.	Shishmaref			10-Oct-06	
Cleveland, George	Shungnak			10-Oct-06	
Cleveland, Homer	Shungnak			10-Oct-06	
Cleveland, Truman T.	Shungnak			10-Oct-06	
Commack, Felton I.	Shungnak			10-Oct-06	
Greist, Nelson	Shungnak			10-Oct-06	
Anderson, George	Sitka			10-Oct-06	
Johnstone, Charles H.	Sitka			10-Oct-06	
Perkins, Robert B.	Sitka			10-Oct-06	
Blatchford, Eugene	Teller			10-Oct-06	
Blatchford, Percy	Teller			10-Oct-06	
Ahnangnatoguk, Allen	Teller Mission			10-Oct-06	
Hooper, Bob	Tununak Nelson Island			10-Oct-06	
Katchatag, Frederick A. Sr	Unalakleet			10-Oct-06	
Katchatag, Stanton	Unalakleet			10-Oct-06	
Paniptchuk, Franklin	Unalakleet			10-Oct-06	
Soosuk, Allen	Unalakleet			10-Oct-06	
Koweluk, Teddy A.	Wales			10-Oct-06	
Sreadlook, Roy K.	Wales			10-Oct-06	
Agloinga, Percy O.	White Mountain		X	10-Oct-06	
Agloinga, Steven	White Mountain			10-Oct-06	
Nore, Palmer	Wrangell			10-Oct-06	
Rinehart, Richard	Wrangell			10-Oct-06	
Seinfeld, Edward D.	Barrow	As of 5/4/07		4-May-07	
Ahungak, Big Sam	Koyuk		X	4-May-07	
LaRose, Donald L.	Palmer		X	4-May-07	
Toolie, Walter	Savoonga	As of 5/4/07		4-May-07	
Luke, Thomas F.	Stebbins		X	4-May-07	
Edwards, Sigurd	Yakutat	As of 5/4/07		4-May-07	
Aiken, Wesley	Barrow			1-Jun-07	
Leavitt, David Sr	Barrow			1-Jun-07	
Solomon, Eli	Barrow			1-Jun-07	
Bird, Alex	Chaneliak			1-Jun-07	
Johnson, Joel W	Juneau			1-Jun-07	
McMulloch, Ellsworth A.	Juneau			1-Jun-07	
Baines, Wilfred J.	Metlakatla			1-Jun-07	
Black, William	Noorvik			1-Jun-07	
Billy, George N.	Nunapitchuk			1-Jun-07	
Mathlaw, Leonard	Nunivak Island			1-Jun-07	
Akeya, Alexander	Savoonga	as of 5/4/07		1-Jun-07	
Greist, David H.	Selawik			1-Jun-07	

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Kasayulie, Tommy	Akiak	x			ATGO 15
Phillip, John A	Alakanuk	x			ATGO 15
Nicolai, Nicolai E	Bethel	x			ATGO 15
Philip, Charlie	Eek	x			ATGO 15
Apatiki, Holden	Gambell	x			ATGO 15
Klose, Victor O.	Ketchikan	x			ATGO 15
Jackson, Percy	Kiana	x			ATGO 15
Simon, David	Kwigillingok	x			ATGO 15
Beacom, George C.	Nome	x			ATGO 15
Moses, Tommy	Pastolik	x			ATGO 15
Myers, Timothy	Pitkas Point	x			ATGO 15
Gunderson, Paul	Sanak Island	x			ATGO 15
Nayokpuk, Herbert	Shishmaref		x		ATGO 15
Soxie, Daniel	Unalakleet	x			ATGO 15
Feller, Thomas C.	Wrangell	x			ATGO 15
Kasayulie, Willie	Akiak		x		DMVA
George, Joseph	Akiakchak				DMVA
George, Ray	Akiakchak				DMVA
George, Walter	Akiakchak				DMVA
George, Wassillie	Akiakchak				DMVA
Henry, David	Akiakchak				DMVA
Henry, Moses	Akiakchak				DMVA
Lomack, Joseph	Akiakchak				DMVA
Lomack, William	Akiakchak				DMVA
Moses, George	Akiakchak				DMVA
Moses, John	Akiakchak				DMVA
Nick, Moses	Akiakchak				DMVA
Nose, Noah	Akiakchak				DMVA
Peter, Kenneth	Akiakchak				DMVA
Phillip, Joshua	Akiakchak				DMVA
Wassily, John	Akiakchak				DMVA
Alakanuk, George	Alakanuk				DMVA
Stanislous, Paul	Alakanuk				DMVA
Paulson, Paul	Alakanuk				DMVA
Akivigak, Otis	Barrow				DMVA
Oenga, Andrew	Barrow				DMVA
Oyagak, Roxy	Barrow				DMVA
Segevan, Stephen	Barrow				DMVA
Kenezerooff, Philip D.	Belkofski		x		DMVA
Kuzakin, Rodion I.	Belkofski		x		DMVA
Kuzakin, Stephan	Belkofski		x		DMVA
Kenezuroff, Arseny D.	Belkofski				DMVA
Samuelsen, Moses	Bethel			as of: 7/16/07	DMVA
Fly, Frank	Bethel				DMVA
Tikiun, James	Bethel				DMVA

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Wiese, John F.	Cordova			DMVA
Murray, Mike	Elim			DMVA
Boalowon, Lewis	Gambell			DMVA
Brown, Andrew	Hooper Bay	x		DMVA
Gump, James	Hooper Bay	x		DMVA
Aguchak, Francis	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Aranachork, Albert	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Ayuluk, Tom	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Bell, Curt	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Bell, Eddie	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Bunyan, Dick	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Chanerkoyak, Charlie	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Chulugumigalrea, Joseph M.	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Fall, Francis	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Gimeralrea, Zavier	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Green, English	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Green, Julius	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Green, Mathias	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Gump, Andy	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Hale, Victor	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Hill, Sam C.	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Hoelscher, Frank	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Hunter, Theodore	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Kaiser, Robert	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Kaponuk, Pete	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Keyoran, Henry	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Lake, Jim	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Mann, Guy	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Night, Jacob	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Night, Joseph	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Niraralrea, Ulric	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
O'Brien, Ivan	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
O'Brien, Robert	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Ohruvak, Billy W.	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Olson, Gregory	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Olson, John	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Rivers, Bert	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Seton, Joe	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Seton, Leo	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Simon, Mike	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Smart, Hank	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Smart, Jack	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Smart, Joseph	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Smith, Buster	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA
Tall, Ike	Hooper Bay		x	DMVA

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Tinker, Tommy	Hooper Bay		x		DMVA
Tomaganuk, Tom P.	Hooper Bay		x		DMVA
Tumarelrea, Floyd	Hooper Bay		x		DMVA
Ulak, Peter	Hooper Bay		x		DMVA
Unin, John	Hooper Bay		x		DMVA
Walker, Jimmy	Hooper Bay		x		DMVA
Walker, Steven	Hooper Bay		x		DMVA
Wilson, Harry	Hooper Bay		x		DMVA
Anguickok, Charreak	Hooper Bay				DMVA
Ayulik, Leo	Hooper Bay				DMVA
Ayuluk, Willie	Hooper Bay				DMVA
Ayungan, Mark	Hooper Bay				DMVA
Black, Tim	Hooper Bay				DMVA
Hoelscher, Angelo O.	Hooper Bay				DMVA
Nanuk, Richard	Hooper Bay				DMVA
Smart, Knute	Hooper Bay				DMVA
Smart, Phillip	Hooper Bay				DMVA
Smith, John	Hooper Bay				DMVA
Smith, Timothy	Hooper Bay				DMVA
Usugan, Moses	Hooper Bay				DMVA
Hollywood, Thomas P.	Klawock				DMVA
Shupak, August	Koyuk		x		DMVA
Tossagak, Hummer E.	Koyuk		x		DMVA
Douglas, Moody	Koyuk				DMVA
Kaivarlook, Alex	Koyuk				DMVA
Kimoktaok, William	Koyuk				DMVA
Nassuk, Joseph R.	Koyuk				DMVA
Putto, Putto	Koyuk				DMVA
Friend, Otto	Kwigillingok	x			DMVA
Nelson, Jacob	Kwigillingok	x			DMVA
Lewis, Milton	Kwigillingok		x		DMVA
Azean, Willie	Kwigillingok				DMVA
Johnson, Andrew	Mountain Village	x			DMVA
Beans, Albert	Mountain Village				DMVA
Delance, John A.	Nome				DMVA
Jones, John P.	Nunivak Island				DMVA
Mike, Tom	Nunivak Island				DMVA
McNeese, Glenn L.	Palmer				DMVA
Melik, Alex	Point Hope				DMVA
Tooyak Peel	Point Hope				DMVA
Tooyak, Andrew	Point Hope				DMVA
Towksjhea, Reuben	Point Hope				DMVA
Tuzroyluke, Bob	Point Hope				DMVA
Tuzroyluke, Carl	Point Hope				DMVA
Vincent, Roy	Point Hope				DMVA

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Mathew, Henry	Quinhagak	x			DMVA
Belkoff, Anissum	Russian Mission		x		DMVA
Belkoff, Willie	Russian Mission		x		DMVA
Pelowook, William	Savoonga		x		DMVA
Mokiyok, George	Savoonga				DMVA
Kaseke, Teddy= Kaskie	Savoonga				DMVA
Sevouhok, Adodlph	Savoonga				DMVA
Nelsen, Charles	Seldovia				DMVA
Lockwood, Lawrence G.	St. Michael				DMVA
Niksik, Alexander	St. Michael				DMVA
Hooper, Edward	Tununak Nelson Island	x			DMVA
Nuzailak, John	Tununak Nelson Island		x		DMVA
Dull, Billy	Tununak Nelson Island		x		DMVA
Flynn, Carl A.	Tununak Nelson Island		x		DMVA
Kicharak, Henry	Tununak Nelson Island		x		DMVA
Naiagnik, John	Tununak Nelson Island		x		DMVA
Akuktak, Tim	Tununak Nelson Island				DMVA
Albert, Mike	Tununak Nelson Island				DMVA
Chaingilinuk, Jackie	Tununak Nelson Island				DMVA
Chanar, Cyril	Tununak Nelson Island				DMVA
Chukfuk, Sipary	Tununak Nelson Island				DMVA
Joe, Charlie = Charlie Post	Tununak Nelson Island				DMVA
Lincoln, Billy	Tununak Nelson Island				DMVA
Soxie, Franklin	Unalakleet				DMVA
Angnaboogok, Roland K.	Wales				DMVA
Mazonna, Alfred	Wales				DMVA
Seetook, Andrew	Wales				DMVA
Tokeinna, Bob	Wales				DMVA
Ione, Guy Sr	White Mountain	As of 7/7/07			DMVA
Shoogukwruk, Wilson	White Mountain	As of 7/7/07			DMVA

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July 30, 2009

The Honorable Joe Paskvan
Alaska State Senate
1292 Sadler Way, Suite 308
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Dear Senator Paskvan:

Thank you for your letter of July 22, 2009, requesting information for your review prior to my confirmation hearing for the position of Lieutenant Governor, scheduled for August 10, 2009, in Anchorage.

I appreciate your kind words of encouragement and your interest in my previous political activities on the Anchorage Assembly and in other venues. As you correctly stated, I had the pleasure of serving on the Anchorage Assembly from 1986 to 1996, and I served as an appointed executive director for Anchorage Mayor George Wuerch from 2000 until Governor Frank Murkowski asked me to serve as the Commissioner of the Department of Military Affairs (DMVA) and the Adjutant General for the Alaska National Guard in December 2002.

Your letter requests materials concerning my time on the Anchorage Assembly; my campaigns for the Anchorage Assembly; when I ran for Mayor of Anchorage in 1994; a list of committee and boards on which I have served; major goals and accomplishments when I worked for Mayor Wuerch; and my personal resume.

It has been over a decade since I served on the Anchorage Assembly and campaigned in the 1994 Anchorage mayors race. Any material related to my duties while serving on the Anchorage Assembly should be available through the Anchorage Municipal Clerks Office, as I no longer have any documents from that period. Likewise, the only campaign items that remain in my possession from either of my campaigns for the assembly or the mayoral race, are a few campaign yard signs. Since I had no intention of running for public office after my unsuccessful campaign in 1994, I disposed of the leftover materials a long time ago. You may want to contact the Alaska Public Offices Commission (APOC) to inquire as to whether they have any archived information concerning my campaigns.

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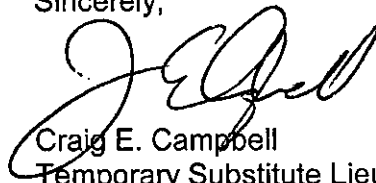
I would also direct you to the Municipality of Anchorage for any information concerning goals and accomplishments when I served as the executive director of Anchorage's Office of Planning, Development, and Public Works. Each year I published an annual report for the Anchorage Assembly and the public, and copies should be available from the municipality. As I have done as commissioner of DMVA, the annual report is a comprehensive document which identifies goals, objectives and specific accomplishments for each year. This along with the budget document for the municipality should give you a very good idea of our successes during that period.

Finally, I would direct you to the State of Alaska Lieutenant Governors web site for a copy of my most current resume, updated just last week. This includes information on boards, commissions, and councils that I have served on in the past, as well as, other information concerning my professional career.

Again, I appreciate your interest in my past experiences and your desire to learn more about me in preparation for the confirmation hearings. I believe that open and honest communication is the best form of public policy. Therefore, I would certainly offer my time to meet with you prior to the confirmation hearing if there are specific areas you wish to discuss in greater detail. Likewise, I would also be glad to provide you answers/responses to any questions you may have prior to the hearing. Please let me know if either of these offers is of interest.

I look forward to seeing you and the Senate State Affairs Committee on August 10th.

Sincerely,



Craig E. Campbell
Temporary Substitute Lieutenant Governor
Commissioner, Dept. of Military and Veterans Affairs

Marilyn Lane

From: Julianna Singh
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2009 4:33 PM
To: Marilyn Lane; Michael Rovito
Cc: Kirsten Waid
Subject: FW: Procedural question
Attachments: 090810FROMSTA It gov successor.doc; 090810STA.doc

Hi Michael and Marilyn,

I think Kirsten already answered your question below Senator Menard isn't required to stand on the floor and mention the Lt. Governor Successor confirmation hearing. After your STA meeting adjourns, we need you to return the attached Confirmation Report to Kirsten at the Egan Center, so she can read it across on the floor.

We don't typically transmit the attached documents until the the appointment is read across the floor, however, this is a unique case. As long as there are no surprises, the attachments are good.

Hope this helps.

-julianna

From: Kirsten Waid
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2009 1:20 PM
To: Julianna Singh
Subject: FW: Procedural question

Julianna, would you email Michael a draft of that State Affairs Committee Report you prepared?

I talked with Marilyn Lane in Senator Menard's office and explained that the report is handed into the Senate Secretary and read on the floor under Standing Committee Reports. Marilyn said she would be handling the Committee Meeting during Special Session and asked that she be cc'd a copy of the report too.

Kirsten

From: Michael Rovito
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2009 11:24 AM
To: Kirsten Waid
Subject: Procedural question

Kirsten,

Sen. Menard's Senate State Affairs Committee will be handling the Craig Campbell Lt. Gov confirmation during the special session Aug. 10. My question is this: Assuming Mr. Campbell's confirmation is passed out of the committee, does Sen. Menard need to stand up on the floor in front of the Legislature to say anything pertaining to its movement? Or should she simply notify the senate secretary and say nothing on the floor?

Thanks for helping.

Michael Rovito
Legislative Aide
Sen. Linda Menard