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# FISCAL NOTE

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Identifier (file name): SB102-DHSS-EAP-03-18-11 Dept. Affected: Health and Social Services  
Title: AK Affordable Heating Program Payments Appropriation: Public Assistance  
Allocation: Energy Assistance Program  
Sponsor: Finance  
Requester: Senate FIN OMB Component Number: 226

**Expenditures/Revenues** (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation Required	Information						
		FY 2012	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>								
Personal Services								
Travel								
Services								
Commodities								
Capital Outlay								
Grants								
Miscellaneous								
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>		<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

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

	FY 2012	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
1002 Federal Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF							
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other (please identify)							
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

Estimate of any current year (FY2011) cost: \_\_\_\_\_

**POSITIONS**

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version (if initial version, please note as such)

Not Applicable

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FISCAL NOTE #1

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**Analysis:**

The intent of this bill is to suspend the calculation of payments based on the dollar value of community heating points mandated in 47.25.623 and allow the proration of heating assistance benefits when appropriations are insufficient to pay benefits through the Alaska Affordable Heating Program at the levels described in Chapter 83, SLA10.

**7 AAC 44.051. Use of heating assistance payments**

(a) A heating assistance payment [MUST] **may only** be used for the purchase of fuel oil, kerosene, propane, natural gas, electricity, wood, coal, or other petroleum products used for [HOME] **a recipients primary residence for** heating, lighting, or cooking needs, or for payment of incidental charges, including deposits, delivery charges, connection fees, and late-payment charges associated with their purchase or delivery. A household paying home heating costs indirectly through rent shall apply the heating assistance payment toward rental payments.

(b) A heating assistance payment may not be used for any purpose not described in (a) of this section. **Prohibited uses include the sale or barter of any heating fuel purchased with a heating assistance payment.**

**(c ) If the department determines that a payment has been used for a purpose other than those set out in (a), the recipient may be subject to disqualification and/or repayment under AS 47.25.625; intentional program violations under 7 AAC45.580; and, administrative disqualification hearings under 7 AAC 45.585.**

**7 AAC 44.060. Vendor agreement**

A vendor must sign an agreement with the department, which includes the following conditions, for the vendor to be a recipient of heating assistance payments in the manner described in 7 AAC 44.050:

(1) the vendor shall reduce, in the normal billing process, the outstanding indebtedness of the household by the amount of payment; if the outstanding indebtedness exceeds the amount paid, the amount paid will be applied to the oldest portion of the household's indebtedness;

(2) the vendor may not discriminate against a household receiving heating assistance in the cost of goods, conditions of sale, or services provided;

(3) the vendor shall avert disconnection of service, reconnect discontinued service, or deliver fuel upon notification from the department that a household is entitled to receive heating assistance, unless to do so would violate a tariff of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska;

(4) if the vendor is receiving payment under 7 AAC 44.050(a) (1), the vendor shall first submit a bill for services to the department;

(5) if the vendor receives payment under 7 AAC 44.050(a) (2), the vendor shall submit proof to the department that each payment is credited to the household; a refund of any remaining heating assistance must be made to the household or to the department for delivery to the household if

(A) the household closes its account with the vendor; or

(B) the applicant dies and no surviving household member continues to use the account.

HEATING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  
VENDORS

The Heating Assistance Program (HAP) has two different types of vendors, direct pay and line-of-credit.

Direct Pay Vendors receive a Notice of Action (NOA) indicating how much each client has been awarded in benefits. A check is then sent to the vendor for the amount of the award. The vendor checks and initials each account on the NOA to indicate that the client's account has been credited with their award amount. When the NOA's come back to HAP we call them vendor confirmations. Staff at heating assistance note the confirmation on each client's account.

If the household changes residences, the vendor returns any remaining balance to HAP. The balance is then reissued to a new vendor as reported by the household.

Line-Of-Credit Vendors (LOC) receive a Notice of Action (NOA) indicating how much each client has been awarded in benefits. They, however, are not sent a direct payment. The LOC vendor must deliver the fuel and then bill HAP to receive payment. If there is any remaining balance due the client at the end of the season, HAP will make a direct payment to the client with any remaining balance. Currently, there are only 3 line-of-credit vendors (North Pole Wood Products, Ferris General Store in Stebbins, and Ivisaappaat Tribal Fuel in Ambler).

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**Funding History**

	2008 - 2011			
	2008	2009	2010	2011 YTD
LIHEAP Block Grant Funds	\$10,827,790	\$23,568,461	\$25,307,935	\$14,365,921
LIHEAP Contingency Funds	\$6,027,772	\$7,359,326	\$2,872,061	\$646,161
State General Fund (Used for AKAHP & Supplements)		\$19,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$16,855,562</b>	<b>\$49,927,787</b>	<b>\$33,179,996</b>	<b>\$20,012,082</b>
Price Per Point Start of Season	\$85	\$220	\$115	\$140
Price per Point After Supplement	\$125	\$316	\$170	
<b>NOTES</b>				
Please note that in FFY 2009 we paid \$220 per point LIHEAP and \$85 per point AKHAP before supplement and \$316 per point under both programs with the supplement				
FY 2011 figures are for the State portion only - we do not currently have tribal information.				

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Community	Region	Census Area	Served	Alaska Totals	
			By Tribe	LIHEAP & AKHAP # HH	Grant Funds
<b>CENTRAL REGION</b>					
Anchorage	Central	Anchorage	None	2991	\$2,301,204.77
Chugiak	Central	Anchorage	None	107	\$85,396.71
Eagle River	Central	Anchorage	None	115	\$87,483.31
Girdwood	Central	Anchorage	None	16	\$12,409.50
Indian	Central	Anchorage	None	2	\$1,529.94
Subtotal ANC Census Area				3231	\$2,488,024.23
Big Lake	Central	Mat-Su	None	163	\$136,504.66
Chase	Central	Mat-Su	None	1	\$509.98
Chickaloon	Central	Mat-Su	None	9	\$9,009.63
Houston	Central	Mat-Su	None	46	\$40,288.42
Palmer	Central	Mat-Su	None	526	\$424,150.80
Skwentna	Central	Mat-Su	None	5	\$4,589.81
Sutton	Central	Mat-Su	None	79	\$73,607.03
Talkeetna	Central	Mat-Su	None	111	\$95,706.11
Trapper Creek	Central	Mat-Su	None	63	\$58,307.66
Wasilla	Central	Mat-Su	None	1539	\$1,244,589.47
Willow	Central	Mat-Su	None	234	\$212,491.41
Subtotal Mat-Su Census Area				2,776	\$2,299,754.98
<b>TOTAL CENTRAL REGION</b>				<b>6,007</b>	<b>\$4,787,779.21</b>
<b>COASTAL REGION</b>					
Akutan	Coastal	Aleutians East	APIA	9	\$9,455.00
False Pass	Coastal	Aleutians East	APIA	3	\$4,514.92
King Cove	Coastal	Aleutians East	APIA	68	\$72,333.92
Nelson Lagoon	Coastal	Aleutians East	APIA	12	\$10,120.00
Sand Point	Coastal	Aleutians East	APIA	40	\$31,934.91
Subtotal Aleutians-East				132	\$128,358.75
Adak	Coastal	Aleutians West	None	7	\$4,689.83
Nikolski	Coastal	Aleutians West	APIA	8	\$6,220.00
Saint George	Coastal	Aleutians West	APIA	19	\$25,391.00
Saint Paul	Coastal	Aleutians West	APIA	41	\$68,266.00
Unalaska	Coastal	Aleutians West	APIA	10	\$6,159.94
Subtotal Aleutians-West				85	\$110,726.77
Akiachak	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	72	\$167,473.59
Akiak	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	41	\$83,641.99
Aniak	Coastal	Bethel	KNA	74	\$126,442.00
Atmautluak	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	31	\$61,145.62
Bethel	Coastal	Bethel	ONC	194	\$204,750.63
Chefornak	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	30	\$56,675.81
Chuathbaluk	Coastal	Bethel	KNA	22	\$37,466.00

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				# HH	LIHEAP & AKHAP Grant Funds
Crooked Creek	Coastal	Bethel	KNA	30	\$46,282.00
Eek	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	42	\$104,851.68
Goodnews Bay	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	28	\$49,093.84
Kasigluk	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	68	\$158,294.66
Kipnuk	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	69	\$143,250.04
Kongiganak	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	40	\$74,732.12
Kwethluk	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	77	\$143,661.45
Kwigillingok	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	27	\$54,186.08
Lime Village	Coastal	Bethel	KNA	6	\$10,151.00
Lower Kalskag	Coastal	Bethel	KNA	31	\$58,468.00
Mekoryuk	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	34	\$66,821.05
Napakiak	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	53	\$106,768.42
Napaskiak	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	41	\$96,621.97
Newtok	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	38	\$68,167.04
Nightmute	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	14	\$38,757.12
Nunapitchuk	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	58	\$108,706.60
Oscarville	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	3	\$6,577.50
Platinum	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	6	\$11,657.32
Quinhagak	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	41	\$109,531.18
Red Devil	Coastal	Bethel	KNA	7	\$7,282.00
Sleetmute	Coastal	Bethel	KNA	31	\$31,492.00
Stony River	Coastal	Bethel	KNA	25	\$24,049.00
Toksook Bay	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	22	\$56,443.17
Tuluksak	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	45	\$120,854.01
Tuntutuliak	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	35	\$62,088.71
Tununak	Coastal	Bethel	AVCP	31	\$74,524.25
Upper Kalskag	Coastal	Bethel	KNA	40	\$53,579.00
Subtotal Bethel Census Areaa				1,406	\$2,624,486.85
King Salmon	Coastal	Bristol Bay	BBNA	6	\$9,520.00
Naknek	Coastal	Bristol Bay	BBNA	18	\$40,290.00
South Naknek	Coastal	Bristol Bay	BBNA	7	\$16,540.00
Aleknagik	Coastal	Dillingham	BBNA	14	\$29,240.00
Clarks Point	Coastal	Dillingham	BBNA	9	\$26,213.50
Dillingham	Coastal	Dillingham	BBNA	122	\$209,048.94
Ekwok	Coastal	Dillingham	BBNA	22	\$49,640.00
Koliganek	Coastal	Dillingham	BBNA	40	\$112,097.51
Manokotak	Coastal	Dillingham	BBNA	64	\$174,932.00
New Stuyahok	Coastal	Dillingham	BBNA	60	\$174,954.11
Togiak	Coastal	Dillingham	BBNA	101	\$288,320.00
Twin Hills	Coastal	Dillingham	BBNA	8	\$21,590.00
Subtotal Bristol Bay Census Area				471	\$1,152,386.06
Anchor Point	Coastal	Kenai	None	140	\$103,185.98

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				# HH	
Clam Gulch	Coastal	Kenai	None	28	\$22,779.12
Cooper Landing	Coastal	Kenai	None	9	\$8,159.70
Fritz Creek	Coastal	Kenai	None	20	\$14,789.40
Homer	Coastal	Kenai	None	407	\$348,195.37
Hope	Coastal	Kenai	None	4	\$2,549.90
Kasilof	Coastal	Kenai	KIT	133	\$115,326.38
Kenai	Coastal	Kenai	KIT	470	\$397,174.74
Moose Pass	Coastal	Kenai	None	5	\$3,909.84
Nanwalek	Coastal	Kenai	None	13	\$14,279.42
Nikiski	Coastal	Kenai	KIT	25	\$22,460.00
Nikiski	Coastal	Kenai	None	78	\$69,362.33
Nikolaevsk	Coastal	Kenai	None	23	\$20,629.19
Ninilchik	Coastal	Kenai	None	84	\$81,086.75
Port Graham	Coastal	Kenai	None	18	\$22,609.06
Seldovia	Coastal	Kenai	SVT	30	\$34,892.21
Seward	Coastal	Kenai	None	110	\$82,007.90
Soldotna	Coastal	Kenai	KIT	468	\$420,581.95
Sterling	Coastal	Kenai	KIT	137	\$129,896.17
Tyonek	Coastal	Kenai	None	11	\$10,369.58
Subtotal Kenai Census Area				2,213	\$1,924,244.99
Akhiok	Coastal	Kodiak	KANA	5	\$5,947.97
Chiniak	Coastal	Kodiak	None	2	\$1,699.94
Karluk	Coastal	Kodiak	None	4	\$6,289.74
Kodiak	Coastal	Kodiak	KANA	191	\$165,078.89
Larsen Bay	Coastal	Kodiak	KANA	11	\$14,511.00
Old Harbor	Coastal	Kodiak	KANA	36	\$49,633.78
Ouzinkie	Coastal	Kodiak	None	11	\$11,049.56
Port Lions	Coastal	Kodiak	None	19	\$22,779.07
Subtotal Kodiak Census Area				279	\$276,989.95
Chignik	Coastal	Lake & Peninsula	BBNA	3	\$3,740.00
Chignik Lake	Coastal	Lake & Peninsula	BBNA	16	\$26,860.00
Egegik	Coastal	Lake & Peninsula	BBNA	15	\$33,830.00
Igiugig	Coastal	Lake & Peninsula	BBNA	11	\$20,400.00
Iliamna	Coastal	Lake & Peninsula	BBNA	16	\$54,569.86
Kokhanok	Coastal	Lake & Peninsula	BBNA	26	\$81,940.00
Levelock	Coastal	Lake & Peninsula	BBNA	17	\$36,890.00
Newhalen	Coastal	Lake & Peninsula	BBNA	24	\$77,860.00
Nondalton	Coastal	Lake & Peninsula	BBNA	37	\$126,232.75
Pedro Bay	Coastal	Lake & Peninsula	None	7	\$12,749.48
Perryville	Coastal	Lake & Peninsula	None	17	\$21,419.14
Pilot Point	Coastal	Lake & Peninsula	BBNA	4	\$6,190.00
Port Alsworth	Coastal	Lake & Peninsula	None	4	\$6,969.71

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Port Heiden	Coastal	Lake & Peninsula	BBNA	13	\$30,420.00
Ugashik	Coastal	Lake & Peninsula	None	2	\$3,059.88
Subtotal Lake & Peninsula CA				212	\$543,130.82
Brevig Mission	Coastal	Nome	None	69	\$205,521.59
Diomedede	Coastal	Nome	None	20	\$59,497.55
Elim	Coastal	Nome	None	34	\$122,054.95
Gambell	Coastal	Nome	None	103	\$401,353.63
Golovin	Coastal	Nome	None	14	\$38,418.47
Koyuk	Coastal	Nome	None	45	\$161,663.30
Nome	Coastal	Nome	None	77	\$166,704.64
Saint Michael	Coastal	Nome	None	50	\$163,193.40
Savoonga	Coastal	Nome	None	101	\$387,924.12
Shaktolik	Coastal	Nome	None	14	\$40,798.35
Shishmaref	Coastal	Nome	None	96	\$369,904.83
Stebbins	Coastal	Nome	None	76	\$216,401.21
Teller	Coastal	Nome	None	43	\$127,154.91
Unalakleet	Coastal	Nome	None	47	\$134,634.50
Wales	Coastal	Nome	None	19	\$63,237.41
White Mountain	Coastal	Nome	None	26	\$92,136.25
Subtotal Nome Census Area				834	\$2,750,599.11
Ambler	Coastal	NW Arctic	None	22	\$85,314.50
Buckland	Coastal	NW Arctic	None	55	\$221,988.89
Deering	Coastal	NW Arctic	None	20	\$73,097.02
Kiana	Coastal	NW Arctic	None	46	\$166,950.66
Kivalina	Coastal	NW Arctic	None	49	\$188,692.34
Kobuk	Coastal	NW Arctic	None	15	\$60,177.54
Kotzebue	Coastal	NW Arctic	None	120	\$328,468.91
Noatak	Coastal	NW Arctic	None	78	\$309,047.37
Noorvik	Coastal	NW Arctic	None	84	\$307,687.35
Selawik	Coastal	NW Arctic	None	121	\$497,502.81
Shungnak	Coastal	NW Arctic	None	29	\$131,234.65
Subtotal NW Arctic Census Area				639	\$2,370,162.04
Chenega Bay	Coastal	Valdez/Cordova	None	5	\$5,779.75
Chitina	Coastal	Valdez/Cordova	None	18	\$18,699.26
Copper Center	Coastal	Valdez/Cordova	None	93	\$118,805.15
Cordova	Coastal	Valdez/Cordova	None	44	\$39,778.41
Gakona	Coastal	Valdez/Cordova	None	43	\$56,097.74
Glennallen	Coastal	Valdez/Cordova	None	80	\$108,201.04
Kenny Lake (Tonsina)	Coastal	Valdez/Cordova	None	2	\$1,699.94
Mentasta Lake	Coastal	Valdez/Cordova	None	11	\$14,449.40
Slana	Coastal	Valdez/Cordova	None	12	\$16,224.40
Tatitlek	Coastal	Valdez/Cordova	None	8	\$13,429.47

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Valdez	Coastal	Valdez/Cordova	None	71	\$79,356.85
Whittier	Coastal	Valdez/Cordova	None	11	\$7,819.68
Alakanuk	Coastal	Wade Hampton	AVCP	49	\$77,311.52
Subtotal Valdez/Cordova Census Area				447	\$557,652.61
Chevak	Coastal	Wade Hampton	AVCP	85	\$209,378.46
Emmonak	Coastal	Wade Hampton	AVCP	62	\$117,737.07
Hooper Bay	Coastal	Wade Hampton	AVCP	122	\$294,652.11
Kotlik	Coastal	Wade Hampton	AVCP	41	\$81,863.63
Mountain Village	Coastal	Wade Hampton	AVCP	60	\$125,942.79
Nunam Iqua	Coastal	Wade Hampton	AVCP	16	\$31,685.84
Pilot Station	Coastal	Wade Hampton	AVCP	69	\$185,303.68
Pitka's Point	Coastal	Wade Hampton	AVCP	4	\$9,174.35
Russian Mission	Coastal	Wade Hampton	KNA	54	\$62,206.00
Saint Mary's	Coastal	Wade Hampton	AVCP	41	\$78,238.03
Scammon Bay	Coastal	Wade Hampton	AVCP	51	\$112,484.18
Subtotal Wade Hampton Census Area				605	\$1,308,666.14
<b>TOTAL COASTAL REGION</b>				<b>7,323</b>	<b>\$13,747,404.09</b>
<b>NORTHERN REGION</b>					
Anderson	Northern	Denali	TCC	8	\$11,219.54
Cantwell	Northern	Denali	None	16	\$17,679.28
Healy	Northern	Denali	TCC	34	\$37,295.48
Subtotal Denali Census Area				58	\$66,194.30
Ester	Northern	Fairbanks N Star	None	13	\$14,619.42
Fairbanks	Northern	Fairbanks N Star	None	1399	\$1,585,134.55
Fort Wainwright	Northern	Fairbanks N Star	None	2	\$2,889.89
Fox	Northern	Fairbanks N Star	None	2	\$2,379.91
North Pole	Northern	Fairbanks N Star	None	448	\$634,887.17
Salcha	Northern	Fairbanks N Star	None	67	\$94,006.23
Two Rivers	Northern	Fairbanks N Star	None	12	\$13,939.43
Subtotal FAI N Star Census Area				1,943	\$2,347,856.60
Anaktuvuk Pass	Northern	North Slope	None	11	\$24,139.01
Atkasuk	Northern	North Slope	None	9	\$26,858.89
Barrow	Northern	North Slope	None	38	\$56,607.69
Kaktovik	Northern	North Slope	None	6	\$13,259.46
Nuiqsut	Northern	North Slope	None	4	\$9,009.81
Point Hope	Northern	North Slope	None	37	\$120,695.08
Point Lay	Northern	North Slope	None	2	\$3,909.84
Wainwright	Northern	North Slope	None	16	\$48,183.45
Subtotal North Slope Census Area				123	\$302,663.23
Delta Junction	Northern	SE Fairbanks	TCC	220	\$314,704.01
Dot Lake	Northern	SE Fairbanks	TCC	10	\$9,734.73

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Eagle	Northern	SE Fairbanks	TCC	31	\$55,850.10
Healy Lake	Northern	SE Fairbanks	TCC	2	\$1,980.73
Northway	Northern	SE Fairbanks	TCC	45	\$43,929.49
Tanacross	Northern	SE Fairbanks	TCC	30	\$31,176.67
Tetlin	Northern	SE Fairbanks	TCC	21	\$18,907.22
Tok	Northern	SE Fairbanks	TCC	132	\$170,161.94
Subtotal SE FAI Census Area				491	\$646,444.89
Allakaket	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	36	\$78,183.85
Anvik	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	25	\$47,359.87
Arctic Village	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	77	\$228,999.36
Beaver	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	26	\$50,086.12
Bettles	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	2	\$3,722.97
Birch Creek	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	20	\$36,084.69
Central	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	17	\$18,680.49
Chalkyitsik	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	18	\$30,351.15
Circle	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	17	\$18,928.01
Clear	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	4	\$6,289.74
Fort Yukon	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	160	\$215,477.61
Galena	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	37	\$58,956.59
Grayling	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	42	\$74,026.98
Holy Cross	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	41	\$91,246.12
Hughes	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	26	\$61,620.61
Huslia	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	54	\$110,632.36
Kaltag	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	33	\$57,917.89
Koyukuk	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	30	\$43,223.98
Livengood	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	None	1	\$679.97
Manley	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	4	\$4,240.38
McGrath	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	41	\$82,658.54
Minto	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	47	\$67,062.22
Nenana	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	106	\$106,382.61
Nikolai	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	21	\$49,469.63
Nulato	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	68	\$92,098.16
Rampart	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	8	\$15,211.73
Ruby	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	35	\$55,307.85
Shageluk	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	22	\$37,773.05
Stevens Village	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	15	\$18,932.21
Takotna	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	10	\$18,505.36
Tanana	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	44	\$59,892.64
Venetie	Northern	Yukon/Koyukuk	TCC	63	\$70,070.97
Alatna	Northern		TCC	7	\$13,343.15
Subtotal Yukon/Koyuk Census Area				1,157	\$1,923,416.86
<b>TOTAL NORTHERN REGION</b>				<b>3,772</b>	<b>\$5,286,575.88</b>

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				# HH	LIHEAP & AKHAP Grant Funds
<b>SOUTHEAST REGION</b>					
Haines	Southeast	Haines	T&H	145	\$112,860.97
Subtotal Haines Census Area				145	\$112,860.97
Auke Bay	Southeast	Juneau	T&H	10	\$7,649.70
Douglas	Southeast	Juneau	T&H	16	\$11,180.81
Juneau	Southeast	Juneau	T&H	511	\$483,573.76
Subtotal Juneau Census Area				537	\$502,404.27
Ketchikan	Southeast	Ketchikan Gateway	T&H	242	\$172,854.84
Saxman	Southeast	Ketchikan Gateway	T&H	12	\$7,017.50
Ward Cove	Southeast	Ketchikan Gateway	None	14	\$9,179.65
Subtotal Ketchikan Census Area				268	\$189,051.99
Coffman Cove	Southeast	Prince of Wales	None	3	\$1,869.93
Craig	Southeast	Prince of Wales	T&H	100	\$89,653.52
Edna Bay	Southeast	Prince of Wales	None	1	\$1,019.96
Hollis	Southeast	Prince of Wales	None	3	\$1,869.93
Hydaburg	Southeast	Prince of Wales	T&H	51	\$46,002.45
Hyder	Southeast	Prince of Wales	None	5	\$3,399.86
Klawock	Southeast	Prince of Wales	T&H	92	\$89,048.92
Metlakatla	Southeast	Prince of Wales	T&H	184	\$167,831.25
Naukati	Southeast	Prince of Wales	None	17	\$12,919.49
Point Baker	Southeast	Prince of Wales	None	14	\$16,489.32
Port Protection	Southeast	Prince of Wales	None	1	\$1,529.94
Thorne Bay	Southeast	Prince of Wales	None	18	\$11,049.58
Subtotal Prince of Wales Census Area				489	\$442,684.15
Port Alexander	Southeast	Sitka	None	4	\$5,949.75
Sitka	Southeast	Sitka	T&H	132	\$112,996.38
Subtotal Sitka Census Area				136	\$118,946.13
Angoon	Southeast	Ska/Hoo/Ang	T&H	68	\$79,751.20
Elfin Cove	Southeast	Ska/Hoo/Ang	None	1	\$1,189.95
Gustavus	Southeast	Ska/Hoo/Ang	None	18	\$14,109.42
Hoonah	Southeast	Ska/Hoo/Ang	T&H	75	\$88,104.96
Klukwan	Southeast	Ska/Hoo/Ang	T&H	2	\$918.75
Pelican	Southeast	Ska/Hoo/Ang	T&H	7	\$6,171.13
Skagway	Southeast	Ska/Hoo/Ang	T&H	20	\$15,129.41
Tenakee	Southeast	Ska/Hoo/Ang	T&H	11	\$9,349.61
Subtotal Skagway/Hoonah/Angoon Census Area				202	\$214,724.43
Kake	Southeast	Wrangell/Peters	T&H	98	\$101,368.75
Petersburg	Southeast	Wrangell/Peters	T&H	61	\$58,850.73
Wrangell	Southeast	Wrangell/Peters	T&H	129	\$92,699.07
Subtotal Wrangell/Peters Census Area				288	\$252,918.55

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Community	Region	Census Area	Served By Tribe	Alaska Totals	
				LIHEAP & AKHAP # HH	Grant Funds
Yakutat	Southeast	Yakutat	YTT	45	\$45,421.64
Subtotal Yakutat Census Area				45	\$45,421.64
<b>TOTAL SOUTHEAST REGION</b>				<b>2,110</b>	<b>\$1,879,012.13</b>
Denali Park			None	3	\$2,719.90
Georgetown			KNA	1	\$1,029.00
Halibut Cove			None	1	\$679.97
Marshall			AVCP	34	\$56,809.08
Pleasant Valley			None	1	\$2,379.90
<b>TOTALS</b>				<b>19,252</b>	<b>\$25,764,389.16</b>

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*Alaska State Legislature*



## Sponsor Statement for SB 102

SB 102 amends the State's Affordable Heating Program. Last year, the legislature combined the Low Income Heating and Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and Alaska Heating Assistance Program to form the Affordable Heating Assistance Program. This change was to more closely align the cost of energy as measured by the cost of a barrel of North Slope crude oil with the amount of assistance an eligible family would receive.

In creating that program, the bill contained language that would allow the Department of Health and Social Services to prorate benefits should that become necessary as a result of a shortage of funds. However, the Department is concerned that this language does not offer them sufficient discretion needed to do this.

SB 102 eliminates this ambiguity by assuring that the Department may prorate benefits, if necessary, regardless of a recipient's income or the price of oil upon which their benefit is based.

Heating assistance is one of the most critical programs to Alaskan's who rely on oil heat. In rural areas, a family may pay up to fifty percent of its income to heat its home in winter. That scenario occurs in other parts of the State as well, giving this program a critical statewide focus. Therefore, we urge that this critical program continue to be fully funded, particularly considering the potential rise in fuel costs next winter.

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However, with this amendment, the Department of Health and Social Services will have the authority to prorate benefits to eligible families should this become necessary.

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## *Memorandum*

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April 11, 2011

To: House Finance Committee

From: Senator Lyman Hoffman

Re: SB 102 Explanation of Changes

This legislation clarifies that the Department of Health and Social Services can prorate benefits under the Alaska Affordable Heating Program should it become necessary.

The Alaska Affordable Heating program was established last year and proration language was included as part of the legislation which established the program. However, the Department of Health and Social Services wanted this provision of the law to be clarified. Therefore, SB 102 is not a change in policy but a clarification of the proration language.

**Specific Changes:** The legislation has one section. It amends AS 47.25.623(d) to add "and C" to the law to specify that should pro rationing be necessary the Department may calculate benefits differently from the guidelines contained in the law.

Secondly, the words "on a pro-rata basis " are added to clarify how benefits are to be calculated should it become necessary to do so.