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SENATE TRANSPORTATION
COMMITTEE

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State Capitol, Room 11
Juneau AK, 99801-1182
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TO: Senate Transportation Committee

FROM: Senator Albert Kookesh, Chair *AKookesh*
Senate Transportation Committee

DATE: March 15, 2012

RE: Senate Transportation Schedule for the week
March 19 -23, 2012

Tuesday, March 20, 2012: 1pm to 3pm, Butrovich Room 205

CSHB 246: Naming Certain Bridges and Airports (by the House Finance Committee).

CSHB 271: An Act Relating to motor vehicle requirements. (By the House Transportation Committee).

Thursday, March 22, 2012: 1pm to 3pm, Butrovich Room 205

Bill previously heard or scheduled.

Please contact Nancy Barnes at 465-6828 if you have any questions.

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 3/6/12

FURTHER: Finance

DATE TURNED
IN TO OFFICE: 3/20/12

Transportation Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 246(FIN)

HB 246-NAMING CERTAIN BRIDGES

"An Act naming certain bridges and airports."

and recommends:

- be replaced with SCS _____ (_____) Same Title Technical Title Change
 New Title/SCR No. _____
- adopt previous SCS _____ (_____) Same Title Technical Title Change
 New Title/SCR No. _____
- attached amendment(s)
- adopt _____ Letter of Intent
- further referral to _____ Committee

Dept Abbr.	
ADM	LEG
CED	LAW
COR	LWF
CRT	MVA
EED	DNR
DEC	DPS
DFG	REV
GOV	DOT
DHS	UA

NEW FISCAL NOTE(S)				
Dept.	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN #

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S)				
Dept.	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN #
DOT	✓			2

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	PRINTED LAST NAME	Do PASS	Do NOT PASS	NO REC	AMEND
<i>Joe J Thomas</i>	THOMAS	✓			
<i>Linda Menard</i>	Menard	X			
CHAIR: <i>Allmit Kooksh</i>	KOOKSH	✓			

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 246(FIN)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 2/15/12

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES THOMAS, Dick, Johnson, Austerman, Kerttula

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act naming certain bridges and airports."**

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3 *** Section 1.** AS 35.40 is amended by adding new sections to read:

4 **Sec. 35.40.255. Marie Smith Jones Bridge.** The bridge over the Eyak River at
5 mile 5.7 of the Copper River Highway is named the Marie Smith Jones Bridge after
6 Marie Smith Jones.

7 **Sec. 35.40.260. Michael Dean Banta Bridge.** The Scott Glacier No. 1 bridge
8 at mile 7.5 of the Copper River Highway is named the Michael Dean Banta Bridge.

9 **Sec. 35.40.265. Warren Allen Paulsen Bridge.** The Scott Glacier No. 3
10 bridge at mile 8.1 of the Copper River Highway is named the Warren Allen Paulsen
11 Bridge.

12 **Sec. 35.40.270. David Alen Lape Bridge.** The Scott Glacier No. 5 bridge at
13 mile 9.2 of the Copper River Highway is named the David Alen Lape Bridge.

14 **Sec. 35.40.275. David Henry Elisovsky Bridge.** The Scott Glacier No. 7
15 bridge at mile 9.7 of the Copper River Highway is named the David Henry Elisovsky

1 Bridge.

2 **Sec. 35.40.280. Leonard F. Olson Bridge.** The Scott Glacier No. 9 bridge at
3 mile 10.4 of the Copper River Highway is named the Leonard F. Olson Bridge.

4 **Sec. 35.40.285. Norman D. Osborne Bridge.** The Scott Glacier No. 11 bridge
5 at mile 11 of the Copper River Highway is named the Norman D. Osborne Bridge.

6 **Sec. 35.40.290. Patrick A. Burchett Bridge.** The Sheridan Glacier East
7 Channel bridge at mile 16.3 of the Copper River Highway is named the Patrick A.
8 Burchett Bridge.

9 **Sec. 35.40.295. John W. Jones Bridge.** The Flag Point West bridge at mile
10 26.7 of the Copper River Highway is named the John W. Jones Bridge.

11 **Sec. 35.40.300. W. H. Mumby Bridge.** The Flag Point East bridge at mile
12 26.9 of the Copper River Highway is named the W. H. Mumby Bridge.

13 **Sec. 35.40.305. Matthew Anderson Bridge.** The Round Island bridge at mile
14 27.6 of the Copper River Highway is named the Matthew Anderson Bridge.

15 **Sec. 35.40.310. Lucian Platt Bridge.** Bridge number 334 at mile 34.6 of the
16 Copper River Highway is named the Lucian Platt Bridge.

17 **Sec. 35.40.315. Steve Green Bridge.** Bridge number 339 at mile 36.2 of the
18 Copper River Highway is named the Steve Green Bridge.

19 **Sec. 35.40.320. William M. Jones Bridge.** Bridge number 342 at mile 37 of
20 the Copper River Highway is named the William M. Jones Bridge.

21 **Sec. 35.40.325. James Bennett Bridge.** Bridge number 345 at mile 37.9 of the
22 Copper River Highway is named the James Bennett Bridge.

23 **Sec. 35.40.330. Minto-Al Wright Airport.** The state-owned airport at Minto,
24 Alaska, also known as the Minto Al Wright Airport, is named the Minto-Al Wright
25 Airport.

26 **Sec. 35.40.335. Koyukuk Station Veterans' Airport.** The state-owned airport
27 at Koyukuk, Alaska, known as the Koyukuk Airport, is named the Koyukuk Station
28 Veterans' Airport.



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MEMORANDUM

Date: 1-26-12

To: Representative P. Wilson, House Transportation Committee Chair

From: Representative Thomas

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Bill Thomas".

Re: Hearing Request for HB 246 An Act Naming Certain Bridges.

I respectfully request that the House Transportation Committee hear HB 246 at its earliest convenience.

HB 246 names 15 bridges in the Cordova area after prominent Cordova residents.

If you have any questions on this bill please contact Kaci Schroeder Hotch in my office at 465-3732.



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Sponsor Statement for HB 246 An Act Naming Certain Bridges

Cordova is located in the Copper River Valley and its residents have a strong sense of duty. Duty to country and duty to their people. It is that sense of duty that has spurred the people of Cordova to serve in every major war of the 20th century. It is also that sense of duty that compelled an Eyak elder to nearly singlehandedly preserve the Eyak language for future generations. It is also this sense of duty that prompted the City of Cordova to ask the state to name 15 of its unnamed Cordova-area bridges after some of their finest residents.

In honor of the brave young men who served and made the ultimate sacrifice for their country, the City of Cordova has requested that 14 of their unnamed bridges be named for each of the sons that they have lost. They are:

World War I

James Bennet
William M. Jones
Steve Green
Lucian Platt
Mathew Anderson
W.H. Mumby
John W. Jones

World War II

Patrick B. Burchett
Norman D. Osbourne
Leonard F. Olson

Vietnam

David Henry Elisovsky
David Allen Lape
Warren Allen Paulsen
Michael Dean Banta

The City of Cordova has also requested that the bridge over the Eyak River be named after Marie Smith Jones. Marie Smith Jones was an Eyak elder who worked tirelessly to preserve the Eyak language. She left behind one of the most comprehensive records of any aboriginal language that exists today.

Naming these bridges after some of Alaska's finest residents is the least we can do to thank them for their service and their sacrifice. I urge your support of HB 246.