

LEG. FINANCE - BILLS 1981 - 1982 1742

SB 889 cont. - SB 891 1742

(2) Copper River for Silver Springs - community well - \$32,100

The Copper River Basin has approximately 3,500 residents, homes are scattered for miles along the highway which would make a conventional piped water and sewer system unfinancable and difficult to operate and maintain. Copper Center Volunteer Fire Department presently must travel seventeen (17) miles to Glennallen to obtain water. Twenty Seven (27) homes were provided with individual wells by PHS in 1969, however 20 of these wells are unused because of poor water quality. In 1981, DEC report that estimated 75% of residents were without adequate water supply. A well located in the Silver Springs area would best serve the needs of the residents of Copper Center and surrounding areas. Silver Springs is located at Mile 105 on the Richardson Highway, which is 3 1/2 miles from the community of Copper Center. The Copper Center Elementary School is located at Silver Springs, and is a primary concern of area residents that the well be located at Silver Springs, in case of fire within the vicinity. In addition to the well, a pump and well housing are necessary.

(3) Takotna - individual wells, \$100,000

The village of Takotna has long requested a water delivery system for the residents of its community. This is a high priority for the village of Takotna and required for safe water. \$100,000 will be appropriated to the DC&RA for the village of Takotna to install a safe, feasible water delivery system in the village.

(4) Takotna - sewer feasibility study, \$25,000

The residents of Takotna would like a sewer system. Currently, they are using pit privies as their method of sewage disposal. This feasibility study is needed to examine the other alternatives for sewage disposal that are economically feasible.

(5) Dot Lake - water system repair, \$150,000

The village of Dot Lake is served by a central water facility which heats the homes and supplies fresh water to the villagers. The system has been in use for eleven years and has proven to be effective and a definite benefit to the village. However, it is in need of extensive repairs. The funds are for insulating and reburying the pipe system, installation of fire hydrants and for making access to the system easier.

(6) Chalkyitsik - water and sewer system, \$250,000

Residents currently haul water from Black River in the winter, and Oxbow Slough in the summer. The river has an unsafe bacteria count. There is indiscriminate dumping of sewage, and solid waste is dumped into the river, and put on

the ice in the winter. These funds would allow construction of a badly needed water and sewer system.

(7) Evansville - well repair, \$100,000

Water is hauled from the Koyukuk River. The water is untreated and the hauling distance is a problem for the villagers. Five (5) FAA wells are also used as water sources. The funds requested here would provide for a central watering point and community wells.

(8) Rampart - safe water development, \$230,000

The community presently utilizes the following water sources: Yukon River, creeks approximately 2.5 miles from town, rainwater and ice. None of these sources are treated. One of the communities highest priorities is having a safe source of drinking water. These funds will provide for the development of a safe water source.

(9) Stevens Village - safe water development, \$250,000

Currently the residents of Stevens Village haul water from 5 miles away in the summer and in the winter they haul ice. There is no treatment of this water. The community would like a source of water nearer to the community.

(10) Beaver - solid waste facility, \$40,000

Currently, garbage is dumped indiscriminately. The funds would provide for the development of a landfill site, with fencing enclosure.

(11) Alatna - solid waste facility, \$10,000

Garbage is currently dumped indiscriminately along the Koyukuk River. These funds would provide for the development of a solid waste facility.

(12) Northway - solid waste facility, \$100,000

There is currently an uncontrolled dumpsite on the upper Tanana River, near the village. There is some scattered dumping. A partially controlled dumpsite is located one (1) mile from the community. These funds are needed to develop a solid waste facility to control indiscriminate dumping. The community received \$32,000 in HB 334 last year, for a solid waste disposal. Funds are needed to complete the project.

(6) The sum of \$534,000 is appropriated from the general fund for payments as grants to the following municipalities for solid waste facilities:

(a) Akutan 60,000.

Trash and refuse dumped in a gravel spit, with trash burned and ashes dumped into the bay. A floating crab processor dumps all waste off the edge of the dock into Akutan Bay, or on the beach. An area for dumping refuse or a system for collection has never been developed. Until the processors came into the Bay, the problem was relatively minor, but with the tremendous influx of people and the increase in waste material, it has become an urgent problem that needs to be addressed. Possible solutions to the problem include compaction and incineration and then barging the reduced garbage to a site out of town. Part of this appropriation will be for design and engineering.

(b) Platinum 40,000

Uncontrolled dump near mine site. Needs dumpsite badly.

(c) Koyukuk 22,000

Indiscriminate dumping in village, dump site also used.

(d) Huslia 22,000

Fenced land fill outside village, with access by road. Appropriation as a municipal grant to the City of Huslia to to construct a solid waste disposal site.

(e) Kiana-dump fencing
30,000

Fenced dump one (1) mile out near runway, currently next to gravel pit. Location is inconvenient because roads contain hazardous material injurious to residents and possible damage to equipment. New dump site needed.

(f) Shungnak-dump fencing
30,000

Fenced dump site one (1) mile from town near runway. Summer access to uncontrolled site is difficult. Disposal area not fenced.

(g) Kotlik 50,000

Indiscriminate dumping along river bank, trash noted as burned in 55 gallon drums. Kotlik has a severe health problem due in part to the landfill. The present landfill site is inadequate, trash is floating in the river and creating a health hazard to the residents. If funding is approved, the community could begin construction of a new landfill site.

(h) Teller-landfill relocation
100,000

Teller does not have a centralized dumpsite. The refuse is indiscriminately dumped around the village. It appears that some of the potable water sources have been polluted with sewage wastes. Some animal carcasses are also occasionally present along the beach and near water sources. A new site has been located and if funding is approved the community would be able to construct a landfill site and to clean-up the old sites.

(i) Kodiak Island Borough-Karluk facility
120,000

The existing sanitary landfill is too small and needs to be relocated. The Kodiak Area Native Association estimates a facility 3 times as large is needed, and Public Health Service representatives also say the Karluk dump is a priority project which needs immediate attention. Kodiak Island Borough is willing to administer the project and apply for additional funding from DEC. The project includes engineering and design and access road construction.

(j) Kodiak Island Borough-Old Harbor facility
60,000

The dump for Old Harbor is located near the old village right next to the road. Bears are attracted to the dump and create a dangerous situation for people walking or bicycling on the road. The dump needs to be relocated further from town. It's not anticipated that an access road will need to be built, but basic design and engineering is necessary.

HOUSE COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS
STANDING COMMITTEE.

March 3, 1982
8:30 a.m.

Members Present: Rep. O'Connell
Rep. Bylsma
Rep. Clocksin
Rep. Grussendorf

Members Absent: Rep. Anderson

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

SSHB 723

SSHB 724

HB 840

cc: SB 889

"An Act making special appropriations for water and sewer systems, waste disposal facilities ..."

WITNESS REGISTER

Greg Capito
Village Safe Water
DEC
Hospital Drive
Juneau, Ak 99811
Position Statement: provided information on various village projects

Richard Aks
Deputy Commissioner
C&RA
Juneau, Alaska 99811
Position Statement: provided information on various village projects

Dan Rodness
Public Health Service
Anchorage, Alaska
Position Statement: provided information on various village projects

PREVIOUS ACTION

SSHB 723 2/17/82 and 3/1/82 Committee Meeting

SSHB 724 2/17/82 and 3/1/82 Committee Meeting

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HB 840

2/26/82 Committee Meeting

ACTION NARRATIVE

Tape #6
Recording
Number 0095

Chairman Pat O'Connell called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. Committee members present were: Representatives Bylsma, Clocksin, Grukssendorf. The Chairman addressed SSHB 723 and 724 first by asking for any questions or comments.

Number 0138

Rep Clocksin expressed his views on the question of sovereign immunity. He is putting together a proposal with the assumption he will have the opportunity to have it brought up in this committee. He feels the State's position on sovereign immunity should be changed, and he's putting together some ideas but not on HB 723 and 724.

Number 0173

Rep. Bylsma made a motion to move HB 723 out of committee. The Committee was reminded it is dealing with a sponsor substitute.

Number 0180

Rep. Bylsma withdrew his motion and made a motion to move SSHB 723.

Number 0218

After brief discussion the vote carried unanimously to move the bill. Brief discussion pointing out the difference between the original bill and the sponsor substitute if it's extended to incorporated communities.

Number 0252

Rep. Bylsma made a motion to move SSHB 724 out of committee.

Number 0265

Rep. O'Connell called the question. The vote to move the bill carried unanimously.

Number 0273

Chairman Pat O'Connell pointed out to the Committee the materials in their "HB 840" folders responded to questions asked during their last discussion. Compares last year's HB 334 appropriations to this year's appropriations. Asked for testimony.

Number 0307

Richard Aks, Deputy Commissioner, Dept. of C&RA, General Comments - Our line agency people feel that in many respects many of these projects have not had sufficient

planning, scoping or sufficient thought given as to how these projects are to be operated and maintained. That's not to say they are not needed. Probably have several years of bills to complete the projects. Also concerned about the grant mechanism used, and what resources are available to the departments to provide technical assistance and monitoring to ensure the projects are getting completed. There's 3 or 4 different mechanisms used to getting the money out. Some involve direct grants, some involve the departments getting actively involved in building the facility. We're concerned that the resources are not there, particularly in the small communities, to monitor the grants like this and ensure the project gets built. Then they come to C&RA for assistance and we're not water/sewer experts; we're general planning, local government assistance. Concerned about future legislation. Understand the desire of the legislators to make sure projects get completed in their area.

Preferably would like to have some kind of bulk sum to be appropriated to the appropriate Dept. and give them projects to be done. Let them do the appropriate amount of planning and scoping and assurance of operating and maintaining expenses.

Concerned about unincorporated grants. Try to deal with municipalities; unincorporated communities are new. The expertise and structure is not there to implement grants like that. Concerned that the project may or may not get done; if it does get done, is it the right project.

Cannot offer specific comments on projects unless have on site visits; there's no way to determine what's needed.

Brief questioning and comments were made as more specifics were asked than could be answered at this time. A brief teleconference followed with Mr. Dan Rodness, Public Health Service, Anchorage.

Number 0471

Chairman O'Connell introduced the committee members present to Mr. Rodness and requested he give some general background for how they

do their planning and coordinating, basic projects and how they're funded.

Number 0488

Dan Rodness briefly explained that for the past several years his program has been tied very closely to the HUD Indian Housing Program and as a result the water and sewer projects in the villages have been in those villages that are receiving new housing. They try to serve the new houses and existing houses already in town. As a result, over the last 20 years work has been done in many of the villages in this bill.

Number 0503

Rep. Clocksin asked in general, if there is any duplications with the projects that the Public Health Service has underway or funded at this time or is planning on have funded?

Number 0507

Mr. Rodness acknowledged there were a few but because of the description of the work involved it's hard to tell what they had in mind. He again said that his program's money goes into support of the new housing and in some cases if they have existing water and sewer system their funds would only be to expend the water system to serve the new housing ares. There many be a need in town somewhere that they haven't addressed, but can't tell by the brief descriptions. For example: Sec.1, Part 2(G) Noatak - They are in the process of working there now, but not sure what that money would be for, in addition to the work they're doing.

Number 0531

Rep. Clocksin asked what they are doing in Noatak and do they have an existing water and sewer system.

Number 0532

Mr. Rodness said they're extending the existing water/sewer system to serve the new housing area, and minor upgrading of the system there.

Number 0536

Rep. Clocksin asked Mr. Rodness if he could identify possible other duplications?

Number 0537

Mr. Rodness provided the following information:

Section 1 Item 3 RE: Money for landfills, recently completed a project in Clark's Point. As a result of that project, left

fencing material and piece of equipment to be used for landfill. Since no site had been selected, the materials were left with

the village to construct landfill for when they selected a site.

Section 3 (4) Elim. They have complete water and sewer. They're working in there now in conjunction with the new housing project. They're completely replacing their sewage treatment facility. The only possible additional work that may be needed in the future is the water source becomes marginal in the winter time although to the best of knowledge have not run out; they've not run out but have run low a few times but not sure what money for a feasibility study would be for in that case.

Section 4 (12) Fort Lions - working there now in conjunction with new housing project; upgrading both water and sewage systems and extending them to some new housing areas. There are some existing homes in different parts of town that are not being served. If that is what this money is for it could probably be well used there.

Section 4 #20 Huslia - working there on a cooperative project with the Village Safe Water People on expending existing water/sewer systems to serve houses that have been built since the system was built some years ago. Because of the nature of the VSW funding and the nature of our program we cannot provide the plumbing for those houses. If that's what the money is for, it would probably earn well for that project.

Section 4 #25 Kiana - This summer will be working with new housing project. Kiana has trouble with new sewage treatment plant which is what the bill says this money is for. We have some tentative plans to renovate that plant. If this money were available for renovation of that plant, our funds could be used to fix up the water system which recently partially froze.

Section 4 #26 Shungnak - Working in conjunction with new housing project. Not aware of need for sewer line and unsure of

cost within a subdivision. We pay for outside the boundary of a subdivision. Basically, the housing authority funds pay all cost to water and sewer within the subdivision. PHS money is to extend systems to subdivision boundary any needed overall repairs on the water supply part of the system or the sewage disposal part of the system.

Number 0664

Rep. Clocksin asked if PHS had any more potential duplications with projects listed in the bill.

Number 0666

Mr. Rodness added that in Shungnak, Section 6(6) PHS has financing for the landfill included in their current project. PHS will be working there this summer on extending the water and sewer system to new houses.

Number 0681

Rep. Clocksin: In general, is the policy of your agency for providing operating funds for some of your projects or do you provide any operating funds? Have you experienced difficulty in villages in actually operating these facilities once they're completed?

Number 0686-

Mr. Rodness: Our program was set up in 1959 by Congress; the plan to design and to build a system and some very general wording on making arrangements for operating and maintaining that statement over the years has been interpreted to say, our funds can't be used directly for operation and maintenance. As a result the facility constructed has the ownership transferred to the village. They are responsible for operation and maintenance. PHS has developed a fairly detailed technical assistance program for the villages. Through the use of maintenance specialists. It's been quite successful in regard to that end of the program. In regards to the financial end of the program and how well the village does with operation and maintenance, that varies from village to village.

Number 0703

Rep Clocksin: Read description of work to be done in Shungnak and wondered if it was still a possible duplication.

Number 0714

Mr. Rodness: not aware of a problem to sewer line; normally a village doesn't hesitate to

call if they have a problem. PHS has what is called "special funds" for emergencies, but cannot use regular funds on something of that nature unless already in the village.

Number 0732

Rep. Clocksin: Read description of work to be done i Noatak and Huslia.

Number 0745

Mr. Rodness: There was damage to the existing system when a contractor drilled through the water line. PHS is using money to get that loop back into operation. The 2nd part - Huslia - when new houses are built by Housing Authority plumbing provided as part of service. Huslia is not plumbed because those are relatively new houses built by individuals after existing system.

Number 0780

Signed off Teleconference

Number 0804

Meeting adjourned.

STAFF WORK DRAFT

Introduced: 4/20/82
Referred: Resources and
Finance

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 889 (RESOURCES)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for the issuance of general obliga-
7 tion bonds in the amount of \$121,000,000 for the pur-
8 pose of paying the cost of construction of and improve-
9 ments to water, sewer, and solid waste facilities; and
10 providing for an effective date."

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

12 * Section 1. For the purpose of paying the cost of construction of and
13 improvements to water, sewer, and solid waste facilities, general obligation
14 bonds of the state in the principal amount of not more than \$121,000,000
15 shall be issued and sold. The full faith, credit, and resources of the state
16 are pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest and redemption
17 premium, if any, on these bonds. These bonds shall be issued under the
18 provisions of AS 37.15 as those provisions read at the time of issuance.

19 * Sec. 2. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
20 voters of the state, a special fund of the state to be known as the "1982
21 Water, Sewer, and Solid Waste Facilities Fund" shall be established, to which
22 shall be credited the proceeds of the sale of the bonds described in sec. 1
23 of this Act except for the accrued interest and premiums.

24 * Sec. 3. The amount of \$945,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Water,
25 Sewer, and Solid Waste Facilities Fund" to the Department of Environmental
26 Conservation for water and sewer feasibility studies in the following communi-
27 ties:

28	(1) Chignik Bay	\$ 50,000
29	(2) Chignik Lagoon	50,000

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1	(3) Manley Hot Springs		50,000
2	(4) Hoonah		80,000
3	(5) Mekoxyuk		40,000
4	(6) Gambell		50,000
5	(7) Hooper Bay		200,000
6	(8) Hydaburg		300,000
7	(9) Chuathbaluk		25,000
8	(10) Nulato		25,000
9	(11) Selawik		50,000
10	(12) Stevens Village - water system feasibility study		25,000

11 * Sec. 4. The amount of \$114,897,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Water,
 12 Sewer, and Solid Waste Facilities Fund" to the Department of Environmental
 13 Conservation for water and sewer projects as follows:

14	(1) St. George - water project		\$ 955,000
15	(2) Kongiganak - water and sewer project		75,000
16	(3) Iguigig - well		50,000
17	(4) Togiak - well		100,000
18	(5) Platinum - well		50,000
19	(6) Koliganek - water and sewer project		75,000
20	(7) Pilot Point - water and sewer project		200,000
21	(8) Egegik - water and sewer project		210,000
22	(9) Saxman - water and sewer upgrade for		
23	Revilla Road and Evergreen Avenue		\$ 150,000
24	(10) Klawock - upgrade and reroute of water system		350,000
25	(11) Craig - extension and upgrade of water and		
26	sewer lines		350,000
27	(12) Wrangell-Stikine-Evergreen project		1,035,000
28	(13) Sitka - design of specifications for an alternate		
29	domestic water source		500,000

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1	(14) Haines - water project	500,000
2	(15) Skagway - water and sewer project	1,932,000
3	(16) Wasilla - sewer planning, design and	
4	right-of-way acquisition	1,000,000
5	(17) Ouzinkie - water and sewer renovation	750,000
6	(18) City of Kodiak - design of water and sewer	
7	system for Near Island	750,000
8	(19) Sand Point - water and sewer extensions	1,300,000
9	(20) Port Lions - water and sewer extensions	750,000
10	(21) Goodnews Bay - water and sewer system	800,000
11	(22) Aleknagik - water, sewer, landfill	540,000
12	(23) New Stuyahok - sewer upgrade	90,000
13	(24) Akiak - water system	200,000
14	(25) Anchorage - water and sewer expansion and	
15	improvements	60,000,000
16	(26) Emmonak - water and sewer system	2,400,000
17	(27) Shishmaref - water system project	750,000
18	(28) Huslia - water and sewer upgrade	185,000
19	(29) Galena - water and sewer extension	500,000
20	(30) Fairbanks - water and sewer improvements and	
21	expansion	20,000,000
22	(31) Kotzebue - fire protection water line	400,000
23	(32) Kotzebue - water and sewer service line repair	450,000
24	(33) Kiana - sewage treatment plant and water	
25	line repairs	750,000
26	(34) Noorvik - water and sewer repairs	150,000
27	(35) Buckland - water system upgrade	100,000
28	(36) Buckland - water and sewage trucks	198,000
29	(37) Diomedes - water tanks	364,000

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1	(38)	Chevak - water system upgrade	370,000
2	(39)	Savoonga - water system upgrade	431,000
3	(40)	Chenega - water system development	350,000
4	(41)	Shaktoolik - water line to clinic	100,000
5	(42)	Wales - water and sewage trucks	150,000
6	(43)	Kaktovik - water storage tanks	1,200,000
7	(44)	Akiachak - water and sewer lines to school	300,000
8	(45)	Seldovia - water and sewer line extensions	557,000
9	(46)	Kodiak Island Borough Service	
10		District I - water and sewer, phase II	5,800,000
11	(47)	Fort Yukon - water and sewer system	3,500,000
12	(48)	Newhalen - water and sewer system	2,350,000
13	(49)	Metlaktla - water line drainage, sewer lines, sewer treatment plant, chlorination plant	\$650,000
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15	(50)	Copper Center for Silver Springs - community well	30,000
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17	(51)	Dot Lake - water system repair	150,000.
18	* Sec. 5. The amount of \$70,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Water,		
19	Sewer, and Solid Waste Facilities Fund" to the Department of Environmental		
20	Conservation for solid waste disposal sites in the following communities:		
21	(1)	Manokotak	\$ 20,000
22	(2)	Togiak	20,000
23	(3)	Twin Hills	20,000
24	(4)	Clark's Point	10,000
25	* Sec. 6. The amount of \$5,089,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Water,		
26	Sewer, and Solid Waste Facilities Fund" to the Department of Environmental		
27	Conservation for solid waste facilities in the following communities:		
28	(1)	Akutan	\$ 60,000
29	(2)	Platinum	40,000

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1	(3) Koyukuk	22,000
2	(4) Huslia	22,000
3	(5) Kiana - dump fencing	30,000
4	(6) Ambler	30,000
5	(7) Kotlik	50,000
6	(8) Teller	100,000
7	(9) Teller - solid waste disposal vehicle	90,000
8	(10) Karluk	120,000
9	(11) Old Harbor	60,000
10	(12) Newhalen	150,000
11	(13) Napakiak	500,000
12	(14) Akiachak	500,000
13	(15) Deering - road to dumpsite	100,000
14	(16) Bristol Bay Borough - solid waste disposal compactor units	3,214,000

16 * Sec. 7. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
17 voters of the state, the amount of \$423,500 or as much of that amount as is
18 found necessary is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the
19 state bond committee to carry out the provisions of this Act and to pay
20 expenses incident to the sale and issuance of the bonds authorized in this
21 Act. The amounts expended from the appropriation authorized by this section
22 shall be reimbursed to the general fund from the proceeds of the sale of the
23 bonds authorized by this Act.

24 * Sec. 8. The amount withdrawn from the public facility planning fund
25 for the purpose of advance planning for the improvements financed under this
26 Act shall be reimbursed to the fund from the proceeds of the sale of bonds
27 authorized by this Act.

28 * Sec. 9. The question whether the bonds authorized in this Act are to
29 be issued shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the state at the next

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1 be issued shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the state at the next
2 general election and shall read substantially as follows:

3 Proposition

4 State General Obligation Water, Sewer, and Solid

5 Waste Facilities Bonds \$121,000,000

6 Shall the State of Alaska issue its general obligation bonds
7 in the principal amount of not more than \$121,000,000 for the
8 purpose of paying the cost of construction of and improvements
9 to water, sewer, and solid waste facilities?

10 Bonds Yes []

11 Bonds No []

12 * Sec. 10. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-
13 070(c).

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THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

FISCAL NOTE

I. REQUEST
 Bill/Resolution No. Senate Bill 889
 Title An Act providing for issuance of general obligation bonds in the amount of
 Requested by Finance Committee Date April 20, 1982
 \$121 million for the purpose of paying cost of construction of & improvements to water, sewer, and solid waste facilities and providing for an effective date."

II. FISCAL DETAIL
 Agency Affected Environmental Conservation
 Program Category Affected _____
 BRU, Program, or Subprogram(s) Affected Facility Construction and Operation
 (Note: If more than one budget component is affected, separate line-item amounts and funding for each component in the analysis section.)
EXPENDITURES (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 81	FY 82	FY 83	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86
100 PERSONAL SERVICES			313.4	347.9	386.1	428.6
200 TRAVEL			51.0	54.7	58.4	62.5
300 CONTRACTUAL			16.0	17.1	18.3	19.6
400 COMMODITIES			3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
500 EQUIPMENT			4.2	--	--	--
600 LAND & STRUCTURES						
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS, ETC.						
TOTAL			388.1	423.2	466.3	514.2

FUNDING (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND			388.1	423.2	466.3	514.2
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER (Specify Fund Source)						

POSITIONS

FULL TIME			8	8	8	8
PART TIME						
TEMPORARY						

III. ANALYSIS (See Fiscal Note Preparation Instructions, Section III)

<u>100</u> 2 Environmental Engineer IIIs (range 19) 4 Environmental Engineer IIs (range 17) 1 Administrative Asst. (range 12) 1 Clerk/Typist II (range 8)	<u>300</u> \$200 monthly telephone/engineer \$14,400 + \$1,600/Misc. <u>400</u> \$500 Commodities per 7 positions <u>500</u> Bookcase, chair, desk, cal./7 positions ===== Inflation assumed 7%; personnel assumed 3
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IV. DATE April 26, 1982 PREPARED BY Timothy J. Bergin Merit increase/yr
 AGENCY Environmental Conservation
 Original: Legislative Finance PHONE 465-2620
 cc: Budget and Management
 Prime Sponsor (First Legislator Named)

TESTIMONY ON SB 889

By
Ernst W. Mueller
Commissioner of Environmental Conservation

Before
Senate Resources Committee
April 26, 1982

SB 889 is a bill providing for the issuance of \$121 million in general obligation bonds to improve sanitation facilities in 107 Alaskan communities. We are pleased to have the opportunity to provide the following comments:

Section 3 - \$920,000 is appropriated to the ADEC for water and sewer feasibility studies. We support this approach. Feasibility studies are an excellent way to identify problems and accurately document capital improvement costs. However, we recommend that group funding be used rather than specifying how much is to be spent in each village.

Section 4 - \$1,715,000 to ADEC for water and sewer projects in eight communities. Appropriations are specified for each place.

It is extremely difficult to accurately estimate the amount needed to construct sanitation improvements, unless engineering studies are initiated to define the exact scope of each project. To the best of our knowledge, this has not been done for all the communities identified in Section 4, and many of the estimates are suspect.

To remedy this problem, we suggest feasibility studies totalling \$300,000 in Iguigig, Togiak, Platinum, Koliganek, Pilot Point, and Egegik. This will enable the Department to deliver more accurate cost estimates to the Legislature next session and ensure that the proposed capital projects reflect local desires.

After feasibility studies are complete, we recommend that a group funding approach be used for a number of projects, rather than specifying a certain amount of money for each community. This reduces the likelihood of there not being enough money to satisfy community needs, and permits more flexibility in designing and constructing needed improvements.

Project estimates for St. George and Kongiganak appear to be accurate.

Sections 5- \$1,754,000 to ADEC for solid waste site in 17 places.
and 8

Appropriations for each village are specified.

Again, it is impossible to accurately estimate the true cost of these landfills unless engineering studies are done first. Soil and ground water conditions, road access, land status, and availability of gravel must be determined before accurate estimates can be made.

Sections 6- \$116,611,000 to C & RA for water and sewer projects in 47 places.
and 7

Determining the appropriate level of service for a particular village, and estimating the cost of providing that service

is a complex task that requires consideration of: (1) What the community feels it needs; (2) What the community feels it can maintain; and (3) The technological complexity associated with providing this level of service. The only way to obtain this information is to do an engineering study. To the best of our knowledge, this has not been done for all the communities identified in Sections 6 and 7, and many of the estimates may not be accurate. In addition, there has been insufficient consideration of long-term operation and maintenance costs and the ability of each of the villages to support them. As a result, there is a significant likelihood of poorly conceived projects and, consequently, shattered expectations in these communities.

It is also important to point out that based on past experience, most of these communities expect to use their appropriation as a match for the ADEC Municipal Construction Grants Program. As you know, our Construction Grants Program is presently out of funds. Unless the Department receives additional appropriations, there will be no money available to match the potential grant applications identified in SB 889.

We again suggest that specific project funding be deleted and that group funding be utilized. This will allow community needs to be more closely matched with a viable solution; not a project dictated by available funding.

The Department has not submitted a fiscal note for the present form of this bill. However, we understand that the bill may be amended to authorize the Department of Environmental Conservation to administer the projects listed in Sections 6 and 7. If this occurs a fiscal note will need to be submitted

I would be happy to answer any questions you may have at this time.

THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

FISCAL NOTE

I. REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No. Senate Bill 889
 Title An Act providing for issuance of general obligation bonds in the amount of
 Requested by Finance Committee Date April 20, 1982

\$121 million for the purpose of paying cost of construction of & improvements to water, sewer, and solid waste facilities and providing for an effective date."

II. FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected Environmental Conservation
 Program Category Affected _____
 BRU, Program, or Subprogram(s) Affected Facility Construction and Operation
 (Note: If more than one budget component is affected, separate line-item amounts and funding for each component in the analysis section.)

EXPENDITURES (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 81	FY 82	FY 83	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86
100 PERSONAL SERVICES			313.4	347.9	386.1	428.6
200 TRAVEL			51.0	54.7	58.4	62.5
300 CONTRACTUAL			16.0	17.1	18.3	19.6
400 COMMODITIES			3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
500 EQUIPMENT			4.2	--	--	--
600 LAND & STRUCTURES						
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS, ETC.						
			388.1	423.2	466.3	514.2

TOTAL

FUNDING (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 81	FY 82	FY 83	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86
GENERAL FUND			388.1	423.2	466.3	514.2
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER (Specify Fund Source)						

POSITIONS

	FY 81	FY 82	FY 83	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86
FULL TIME			8	8	8	8
PART TIME						
TEMPORARY						

III. ANALYSIS (See Fiscal Note Preparation Instructions, Section III)

<p><u>100</u></p> <p>2 Environmental Engineer IIIs (range 19) 4 Environmental Engineer IIs (range 17) 1 Administrative Asst. (range 12) 1 Clerk/Typist II (range 8)</p> <p><u>200</u></p> <p>Each engineer makes 10 trips/yr. at \$850/trip</p>	<p><u>300</u></p> <p>\$200 monthly telephone/engineer \$14,400 + \$1,600/Misc.</p> <p><u>400</u></p> <p>\$500 Commodities per 7 positions</p> <p><u>500</u></p> <p>Bookcase, chair, desk, cal./7 positions ===== Inflation assumed 7%; personnel assumed 3</p>
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IV. DATE April 26, 1982 PREPARED BY Timothy J. Bergin Merit increase/yr
 AGENCY Environmental Conservation
 PHONE 465-2620

Original: Legislative Finance
 cc: Budget and Management
 Prime Sponsor (First Legislator Named)

COMMITTEE REPORT

SENATE

4/30/82

FURTHER: None

Date: _____

Mr. President:

The Committee on FINANCE has had SB 890

issuance of g.o. bonds in the amount of \$132,300,000 for the cost of construction & improvements to airport, port and other transportation facilities

under consideration and (a majority of the committee) (the committee) reports it back with the following recommendations:

- do pass do not pass
- do pass with attached amendments(s)
- replace with CS for _____ same title
 new title
- and recommends _____
- AND attaches a "Letter of Intent" New Fiscal Note
- reports it back without recommendation
- referred to the _____ Committee

MEMBERS SIGNING
DO PASS

MEMBERS HAVING
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

CHAIRMAN

COMMITTEE REPORT
SENATE

4/120/82

FURTHER: Finance

Date: 4/29/82

Mr. President:

The Committee on TRANSPORTATION has had SB 890

issuance of g.o. bonds in the amount of \$132,300,000 for cost of construction & improvements to airport, port, and other transportation facilities

under consideration and (a majority of the committee) (the committee) reports it back with the following recommendations:

- do pass do not pass
- do pass with attached amendments(s)
- replace with CS for SB 890 (Trsp) same title
 new title
- and recommends major do pass
- AND attaches a "Letter of Intent" New Fiscal Note
- reports it back without recommendation
- referred to the _____ Committee

MEMBERS SIGNING
DO PASS

Bill Ray

Alan Gelman

John Dickett

MEMBERS HAVING
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Bill Ray
CHAIRMAN

Original sponsor: Finance Committee

Offered: 4/30/82
Referred: Finance

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 890 (Transportation)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for the issuance of general obliga-
7 tion bonds in the amount of \$179,100,000 for the purpose
8 of paying the cost of construction of and improvements
9 to highways and airport, port, and other transportation
10 facilities, and for acquisition of a jetfoil; and pro-
11 viding for an effective date."

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

13 * Section 1. For the purpose of paying the cost of construction of and
14 improvements to highways and airport, port, and other transportation facili-
15 ties, and for acquisition of a jetfoil, general obligation bonds of the state
16 in the principal amount of not more than \$179,100,000 shall be issued and
17 sold. The full faith, credit, and resources of the state are pledged to the
18 payment of the principal of and interest and redemption premium, if any, on
19 these bonds. These bonds shall be issued under the provisions of AS 37.15 as
20 those provisions read at the time of issuance.

21 * Sec. 2. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
22 voters of the state, a special fund of the state to be known as the "1982
23 Transportation Construction Fund" shall be established, to which shall be
24 credited the proceeds of the sale of the bonds described in sec. 1 of this
25 Act except for the accrued interest and premiums.

26 * Sec. 3. The amount of \$66,100,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Trans-
27 portation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
28 Facilities for the following port projects:

29 (1) Bank stabilization and dock construction

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1	at Bethel	\$22,000,000
2	(2) Port development at Nome	35,000,000
3	(3) Expansion of dock facilities at Nenana	1,800,000
4	(4) Port and harbor development at Haines	500,000
5	(5) Port and harbor improvements, phase II,	
6	at Homer	6,800,000

* Sec. 4. The amount of \$64,770,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Transportation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for the following airport projects:

10	(1) Phase I airport improvements at Unalaska	\$11,000,000
11	(2) Airport improvements at Kodiak	430,000
12	(3) Airport relocation at Toksook	3,500,000
13	(4) Runway improvements at Portage Creek	475,000
14	(5) Airport relocation at Togiak	3,475,000
15	(6) Construction of a cross runway at New Stuyahok	1,500,000
16	(7) Construction of a cross runway and airport	
17	improvements at Manokotak	1,500,000
18	(8) Runway improvements at Mountain Village	1,800,000
19	(9) Runway improvements at Ruby	1,150,000
20	(10) Runway improvements at Noatak	1,750,000
21	(11) Runway improvements at Koyuk	800,000
22	(12) Runway sealing at Gambell	50,000
23	(13) Runway improvements at Kotlik	1,100,000
24	(14) Runway improvements at Wales	1,000,000
25	(15) Runway improvements at Chalkyitsik	450,000
26	(16) Installation of navigational aides at Kobuk,	
27	Shishmaref, and Teller	270,000
28	(17) Runway improvements at Ketchikan Airport	5,000,000
29	(18) Improvements to equipment and facilities at	

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1	Ketchikan Airport	1,000,000
2	(19) Runway expansion at Holy Cross	3,500,000
3	(20) Runway and airport expansion at McGrath	1,500,000
4	(21) Runway improvements at Kaktovik Airport	1,200,000
5	(22) Installation of navigational aids at Kaktovik,	
6	Anaktuvuk Pass, and Nuiqsut	270,000
7	(23) Installation of navigational aids at Golovin	50,000
8	(24) Improvements at Anchorage International Airport	7,000,000
9	(25) Improvements at Fairbanks International Airport	10,000,000
10	(26) Improvements at Juneau International Airport	5,000,000

11 * Sec. 5. The amount of \$1,300,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Trans-
12 portation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
13 Facilities for construction of airport terminal buildings in the following
14 locations and amounts:

15	(1) Nulato	\$ 100,000
16	(2) Tanana	500,000
17	(3) Anaktuvuk Pass	100,000
18	(4) Nuiqsut	100,000
19	(5) Atkasook	100,000
20	(6) Shungnak	100,000
21	(7) Elin	100,000
22	(8) Savoonga	100,000
23	(9) Cambell	100,000

24 * Sec. 6. The amount of \$7,230,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Trans-
25 portation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
26 Facilities for airport runway lighting in the following locations:

- 27 (1) Tununak
- 28 (2) Manokotak
- 29 (3) New Stuyahok

- 1 (4) Red Devil
- 2 (5) Hughes
- 3 (6) Nulato
- 4 (7) Alakanuk
- 5 (8) Pilot Station
- 6 (9) Holy Cross
- 7 (10) Beaver
- 8 (11) Shungnak
- 9 (12) Noorvik
- 10 (13) Kobuk
- 11 (14) Noatak
- 12 (15) Selawik
- 13 (16) Shaktoolik
- 14 (17) Elim
- 15 (18) Kotlik
- 16 (19) Shishmaref
- 17 (20) Teller
- 18 (21) Koyuk
- 19 (22) Deering
- 20 (23) Kaktoovik
- 21 (24) Nuiqsut
- 22 (25) Atkasook

23 * Sec. 7. The amount of \$150,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Transpor-
24 tation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
25 Facilities for airport weather stations in the following locations:

- 26 (1) Kobuk
- 27 (2) St. Michael
- 28 (3) Koyuk
- 29 (4) Kotlik

- 1 (5) Shishmaref
- 2 (6) Brevig Mission
- 3 (7) Unalakleet
- 4 (8) Elim
- 5 (9) Teller
- 6 (10) Diomede
- 7 (11) Savoonga
- 8 (12) Gambell
- 9 (13) Wales

10 * Sec. 8. The amount of \$50,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Transporta-
 11 tion Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public Facili-
 12 ties for airport weather stations in the following locations:

- 13 (1) Kaktoovik
- 14 (2) Nuiqsut
- 15 (3) Atkasook
- 16 (4) Wainwright
- 17 (5) Point Hope

18 * Sec. 9. The amount of \$23,500,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Trans-
 19 portation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
 20 Facilities for the following highway projects:

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| 21 (1) Funny River Bridge and approaches | |
| 22 at Kenai | 6,500,000 |
| 23 (2) Trappers Creek-Petersville-Moose | |
| 24 Creek Road | 6,000,000 |
| 25 (3) Glenn Highway-Lake Louise upgrade | 6,000,000 |
| 26 (4) North Douglas road extension | 5,000,000 |

27 * Sec. 10. The amount of \$16,000,000 is appropriated from the "1982
 28 Transportation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and
 29 Public Facilities for acquisition of a jetfoil.

1 * Sec. 11. The appropriations for projects made in this Act may be re-
2 appropriated among the projects by law.

3 * Sec. 12. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
4 voters of the state, the amount of \$626,850 or as much of that amount as is
5 found necessary is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the
6 state bond committee to carry out the provisions of this Act and to pay
7 expenses incident to the sale and issuance of the bonds authorized in this
8 Act. The amounts expended from the appropriation authorized by this section
9 shall be reimbursed to the general fund from the proceeds of the sale of the
10 bonds authorized by this Act.

11 * Sec. 13. The amount withdrawn from the public facility planning fund
12 for the purpose of advance planning for the improvements financed under this
13 Act shall be reimbursed to the fund from the proceeds of the sale of bonds
14 authorized by this Act.

15 * Sec. 14. The question whether the bonds authorized in this Act are to
16 be issued shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the state at the next
17 general election and shall read substantially as follows:

18 Proposition

19 State General Obligation Transportation Con-
20 struction Bonds \$179,100,000

21 Shall the State of Alaska issue its general obligation bonds
22 in the principal amount of not more than \$179,100,000 for the
23 purpose of paying the cost of construction of and improvements
24 to highways and airport, port, and other transportation
25 facilities, and for acquisition of a jetfoil?

26 Bonds Yes []

27 Bonds No []

28 * Sec. 15. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-
29 070(c).

Introduced: 4/20/82
Referred: Transportation and
Finance

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 890

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for the issuance of general obliga-
7 tion bonds in the amount of \$132,300,000 for the purpose
8 of paying the cost of construction of and improvements
9 to airport, port, and other transportation facilities;
10 and providing for an effective date."

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

12 * Section 1. For the purpose of paying the cost of construction of and
13 improvements to airport, port, and other transportation facilities, general
14 obligation bonds of the state in the principal amount of not more than
15 \$132,300,000 shall be issued and sold. The full faith, credit, and resources
16 of the state are pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest and
17 redemption premium, if any, on these bonds. These bonds shall be issued
18 under the provisions of AS 37.15 as those provisions read at the time of
19 issuance.

20 * Sec. 2. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
21 voters of the state, a special fund of the state to be known as the "1982
22 Transportation Construction Fund" shall be established, to which shall be
23 credited the proceeds of the sale of the bonds described in sec. 1 of this
24 Act except for the accrued interest and premiums.

25 * Sec. 3. The amount of \$58,200,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Trans-
26 portation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
27 Facilities for the following port projects:

28 (1) Bank stabilization and dock construction
29 at Bethel

\$22,000,000

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1 (2) Port development at Nome 35,000,000
2 (3) Expansion of dock facilities at Nenana 1,800,000

3 * Sec. 4. The amount of \$64,770,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Trans-
4 portation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
5 Facilities for the following airport projects:

6 (1) Phase I airport improvements at Unalaska \$11,000,000
7 (2) Airport improvements at Kodiak 430,000
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22 (16) Installation of navigational aides at Kobuk,
23 Shishmaref, and Teller 270,000
24 (17) Runway improvements at Ketchikan Airport 5,000,000
25 (18) Improvements to equipment and facilities at
26 Ketchikan Airport 1,000,000
27 (19) Runway expansion at Holy Cross 3,500,000
28 (20) Runway and airport expansion at McGrath 1,500,000
29 (21) Runway improvements at Kaktovik Airport 1,200,000

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25	(3)	New Stuyahok
26	(4)	Red Devil
27	(5)	Hughes
28	(6)	Nulato
29	(7)	Alakanuk

- 1 (8) Pilot Station
- 2 (9) Holy Cross
- 3 (10) Peaver
- 4 (11) Shungnak
- 5 (12) Noorvik
- 6 (13) Kobuk
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- 5 (13) Wales

6 * Sec. 8. The amount of \$50,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Transporta-
7 tion Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public Facili-
8 ties for airport weather stations in the following locations:

- 9 (1) Eaktoovik
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14 * Sec. 9. The appropriations for projects made in this Act may be re-
15 appropriated among the projects by law.

16 * Sec. 10. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
17 voters of the state, the amount of \$463,050 or as much of that amount as is
18 found necessary is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the
19 state bond committee to carry out the provisions of this Act and to pay
20 expenses incident to the sale and issuance of the bonds authorized in this
21 Act. The amounts expended from the appropriation authorized by this section
22 shall be reimbursed to the general fund from the proceeds of the sale of the
23 bonds authorized by this Act.

24 * Sec. 11. The amount withdrawn from the public facility planning fund
25 for the purpose of advance planning for the improvements financed under this
26 Act shall be reimbursed to the fund from the proceeds of the sale of bonds
27 authorized by this Act.

28 * Sec. 12. The question whether the bonds authorized in this Act are to
29 be issued shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the state at the next

1 general election and shall read substantially as follows:

2 Proposition

3 State General Obligation Transportation Con-
4 struction Bonds \$132,300,000

5 Shall the State of Alaska issue its general obligation bonds
6 in the principal amount of not more than \$132,300,000 for the
7 purpose of paying the cost of construction of and improvements
8 to airport, port, and other transportation facilities?

9 Bonds Yes []

10 Bonds No []

11 * Sec. 13. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-

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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

TWELFTH Legislature SECOND Session

SENATE BILL NO. 890

By THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

"An Act providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds in the amount of \$132,300,000 for the purpose of paying the cost of construction of and improvements to airport, port, and other transportation facilities; and providing for an effective date."

Introduced in the Senate ... 4/20/19... 82

HISTORY IN THE SENATE

19 82	Read first time and referred to Committee on Transportation and Finance										
4 20	Reported back with recommendation that <i>prop. replace n ES - 4 do pass to finance</i>										
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Introduced: 4/20/82
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BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

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14 obligation bonds of the state in the principal amount of not more than
15 \$132,300,000 shall be issued and sold. The full faith, credit, and resources
16 of the state are pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest and
17 redemption premium, if any, on these bonds. These bonds shall be issued
18 under the provisions of AS 37.15 as those provisions read at the time of
19 issuance.

20 * Sec. 2. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
21 voters of the state, a special fund of the state to be known as the "1982
22 Transportation Construction Fund" shall be established, to which shall be
23 credited the proceeds of the sale of the bonds described in sec. 1 of this
24 Act except for the accrued interest and premiums.

25 * Sec. 3. The amount of \$58,800,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Trans-
26 portation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
27 Facilities for the following port projects:

28 (1) Bank stabilization and dock construction
29 at Bethel

\$22,000,000

1	(2) Port development at Nome	35,000,000
2	(3) Expansion of dock facilities at Nenana	1,800,000

3 * Sec. 4. The amount of \$64,770,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Trans-
4 portation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
5 Facilities for the following airport projects:

6	(1) Phase I airport improvements at Unalaska	\$11,000,000
7	(2) Airport improvements at Kodiak	430,000
8	(3) Airport relocation at Toksook	3,500,000
9	(4) Runway improvements at Portage Creek	475,000
10	(5) Airport relocation at Togiak	3,475,000
11	(6) Construction of a cross runway at New Stuyahok	1,500,000
12	(7) Construction of a cross runway and airport	
13	improvements at Manokotak	1,500,000
14	(8) Runway improvements at Mountain Village	1,800,000
15	(9) Runway improvements at Ruby	1,150,000
16	(10) Runway improvements at Noatak	1,750,000
17	(11) Runway improvements at Koyuk	800,000
18	(12) Runway sealing at Gambell	50,000
19	(13) Runway improvements at Kotlik	1,100,000
20	(14) Runway improvements at Wales	1,000,000
21	(15) Runway improvements at Chalkyitsik	450,000
22	(16) Installation of navigational aides at Kobuk,	
23	Shishmaref, and Teller	270,000
24	(17) Runway improvements at Ketchikan Airport	5,000,000
25	(18) Improvements to equipment and facilities at	
26	Ketchikan Airport	1,000,000
27	(19) Runway expansion at Holy Cross	3,500,000
28	(20) Runway and airport expansion at McGrath	1,500,000
29	(21) Runway improvements at Kaktovik Airport	1,200,000

1	(22)	Installation of navigational aids at Kaktovik,	
2		Anaktuvuk Pass, and Nuiqsut	270,000
3	(23)	Installation of navigational aids at Golovin	50,000
4	(24)	Improvements at Anchorage International Airport	7,000,000
5	(25)	Improvements at Fairbanks International Airport	10,000,000
6	(26)	Improvements at Juneau International Airport	5,000,000

7 * Sec. 5. The amount of \$1,300,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Trans-
8 portation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
9 Facilities for construction of airport terminal buildings in the following
10 locations and amounts:

11	(1)	Nulato	\$ 100,000
12	(2)	Tanana	500,000
13	(3)	Anaktuvuk Pass	100,000
14	(4)	Nuiqsut	100,000
15	(5)	Atkasook	100,000
16	(6)	Shungnak	100,000
17	(7)	Elim	100,000
18	(8)	Savoonga	100,000
19	(9)	Gambell	100,000

20 * Sec. 6. The amount of \$7,230,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Trans-
21 portation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
22 Facilities for airport runway lighting in the following locations:

23	(1)	Tununak
24	(2)	Manokotak
25	(3)	New Stuyahok
26	(4)	Red Devil
27	(5)	Hughes
28	(6)	Nulato
29	(7)	Alakanuk

- 1 (8) Pilot Station
- 2 (9) Holy Cross
- 3 (10) Beaver
- 4 (11) Shungnak
- 5 (12) Noorvik
- 6 (13) Kobuk
- 7 (14) Noatak
- 8 (15) Selawik
- 9 (16) Shaktoolik
- 10 (17) Elim
- 11 (18) Kotlik
- 12 (19) Shishmaref
- 13 (20) Teller
- 14 (21) Koyuk
- 15 (22) Deering
- 16 (23) Kaktoovik
- 17 (24) Nuiqsut
- 18 (25) Atkasook

19 * Sec. 7. The amount of \$150,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Transpor-
20 tation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
21 Facilities for airport weather stations in the following locations:

- 22 (1) Kobuk
- 23 (2) St. Michael
- 24 (3) Koyuk
- 25 (4) Kotlik
- 26 (5) Shishmaref
- 27 (6) Brevig Mission
- 28 (7) Unalakleet
- 29 (8) Elim

- 1 (9) Teller
- 2 (10) Diomede
- 3 (11) Savoonga
- 4 (12) Gambell
- 5 (13) Wales

6 * Sec. 8. The amount of \$50,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Transporta-
7 tion Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public Facili-
8 ties for airport weather stations in the following locations:

- 9 (1) Kaktoovik
- 10 (2) Nuiqsut
- 11 (3) Atkasook
- 12 (4) Wainwright
- 13 (5) Point Hope

14 * Sec. 9. The appropriations for projects made in this Act may be re-
15 appropriated among the projects by law.

16 * Sec. 10. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
17 voters of the state, the amount of \$463,050 or as much of that amount as is
18 found necessary is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the
19 state bond committee to carry out the provisions of this Act and to pay
20 expenses incident to the sale and issuance of the bonds authorized in this
21 Act. The amounts expended from the appropriation authorized by this section
22 shall be reimbursed to the general fund from the proceeds of the sale of the
23 bonds authorized by this Act.

24 * Sec. 11. The amount withdrawn from the public facility planning fund
25 for the purpose of advance planning for the improvements financed under this
26 Act shall be reimbursed to the fund from the proceeds of the sale of bonds
27 authorized by this Act.

28 * Sec. 12. The question whether the bonds authorized in this Act are to
29 be issued shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the state at the next

Original sponsor: Finance Committee

Offered: 4/30/82
Referred: Finance

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 890 (Transportation)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for the issuance of general obliga-
7 tion bonds in the amount of \$179,100,000 for the purpose
8 of paying the cost of construction of and improvements
9 to highways and airport, port, and other transportation
10 facilities, and for acquisition of a jetfoil; and pro-
11 viding for an effective date."

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

13 * Section 1. For the purpose of paying the cost of construction of and
14 improvements to highways and airport, port, and other transportation facili-
15 ties, and for acquisition of a jetfoil, general obligation bonds of the state
16 in the principal amount of not more than \$179,100,000 shall be issued and
17 sold. The full faith, credit, and resources of the state are pledged to the
18 payment of the principal of and interest and redemption premium, if any, on
19 these bonds. These bonds shall be issued under the provisions of AS 37.15 as
20 those provisions read at the time of issuance.

21 * Sec. 2. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
22 voters of the state, a special fund of the state to be known as the "1982
23 Transportation Construction Fund" shall be established, to which shall be
24 credited the proceeds of the sale of the bonds described in sec. 1 of this
25 Act except for the accrued interest and premiums.

26 * Sec. 3. The amount of \$66,100,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Trans-
27 portation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
28 Facilities for the following port projects:

29 (1) Bank stabilization and dock construction

1	at Bethel	\$22,000,000
2	(2) Port development at Nome	35,000,000
3	(3) Expansion of dock facilities at Nenana	1,800,000
4	(4) Port and harbor development at Haines	500,000
5	(5) Port and harbor improvements, phase II,	
6	at Homer	6,800,000

7 * Sec. 4. The amount of \$64,770,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Trans-
8 portation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
9 Facilities for the following airport projects:

10	(1) Phase I airport improvements at Unalaska	\$11,000,000
11	(2) Airport improvements at Kodiak	430,000
12	(3) Airport relocation at Toksook	3,500,000
13	(4) Runway improvements at Portage Creek	475,000
14	(5) Airport relocation at Togiak	3,475,000
15	(6) Construction of a cross runway at New Stuyahok	1,500,000
16	(7) Construction of a cross runway and airport	
17	improvements at Manokotak	1,500,000
18	(8) Runway improvements at Mountain Village	1,800,000
19	(9) Runway improvements at Ruby	1,150,000
20	(10) Runway improvements at Noatak	1,750,000
21	(11) Runway improvements at Koyuk	800,000
22	(12) Runway sealing at Gambell	50,000
23	(13) Runway improvements at Kotlik	1,100,000
24	(14) Runway improvements at Wales	1,000,000
25	(15) Runway improvements at Chalkyitsik	450,000
26	(16) Installation of navigational aides at Kobuk,	
27	Shishmaref, and Teller	270,000
28	(17) Runway improvements at Ketchikan Airport	5,000,000
29	(18) Improvements to equipment and facilities at	

1	Ketchikan Airport	1,000,000
2	(19) Runway expansion at Holy Cross	3,500,000
3	(20) Runway and airport expansion at McGrath	1,500,000
4	(21) Runway improvements at Kaktovik Airport	1,200,000
5	(22) Installation of navigational aids at Kaktovik,	
6	Anaktuvuk Pass, and Nuiqsut	270,000
7	(23) Installation of navigational aids at Golovin	50,000
8	(24) Improvements at Anchorage International Airport	7,000,000
9	(25) Improvements at Fairbanks International Airport	10,000,000
10	(26) Improvements at Juneau International Airport	5,000,000

11 * Sec. 5. The amount of \$1,300,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Trans-
12 portation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
13 Facilities for construction of airport terminal buildings in the following
14 locations and amounts:

15	(1) Nulato	\$ 100,000
16	(2) Tanana	500,000
17	(3) Anaktuvuk Pass	100,000
18	(4) Nuiqsut	100,000
19	(5) Atkasook	100,000
20	(6) Shungnak	100,000
21	(7) Elim	100,000
22	(8) Savoonga	100,000
23	(9) Gambell	100,000

24 * Sec. 6. The amount of \$7,230,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Trans-
25 portation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
26 Facilities for airport runway lighting in the following locations:

27	(1) Tununak
28	(2) Manokotak
29	(3) New Stuyahok

- 1 (4) Red Devil
- 2 (5) Hughes
- 3 (6) Nulato
- 4 (7) Alakanuk
- 5 (8) Pilot Station
- 6 (9) Holy Cross
- 7 (10) Beaver
- 8 (11) Shungnak
- 9 (12) Noorvik
- 10 (13) Kobuk
- 11 (14) Noatak
- 12 (15) Selawik
- 13 (16) Shaktoolik
- 14 (17) Elim
- 15 (18) Kotlik
- 16 (19) Shishmaref
- 17 (20) Teller
- 18 (21) Koyuk
- 19 (22) Deering
- 20 (23) Kaktoovik
- 21 (24) Nuiqsut
- 22 (25) Atkasook

23 * Sec. 7. The amount of \$150,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Transpor-
24 tation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
25 Facilities for airport weather stations in the following locations:

- 26 (1) Kobuk
- 27 (2) St. Michael
- 28 (3) Koyuk
- 29 (4) Kotlik

- 1 (5) Shishmaref
- 2 (6) Brevig Mission
- 3 (7) Unalakleet
- 4 (8) Elim
- 5 (9) Teller
- 6 (10) Diomedes
- 7 (11) Savoonga
- 8 (12) Gambell
- 9 (13) Wales

10 * Sec. 8. The amount of \$50,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Transporta-
 11 tion Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public Facili-
 12 ties for airport weather stations in the following locations:

- 13 (1) Kaktoovik
- 14 (2) Nuiqsut
- 15 (3) Atkasook
- 16 (4) Wainwright
- 17 (5) Point Hope

18 * Sec. 9. The amount of \$23,500,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Trans-
 19 portation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and Public
 20 Facilities for the following highway projects:

- 21 (1) Funny River Bridge and approaches
- 22 at Kenai 6,500,000
- 23 (2) Trappers Creek-Petersville-Moose
- 24 Creek Road 6,000,000
- 25 (3) Glenn Highway-Lake Louise upgrade 6,000,000
- 26 (4) North Douglas road extension 5,000,000

27 * Sec. 10. The amount of \$16,000,000 is appropriated from the "1982
 28 Transportation Construction Fund" to the Department of Transportation and
 29 Public Facilities for acquisition of a jetfoil.

1 * Sec. 11. The appropriations for projects made in this Act may be re-
2 appropriated among the projects by law.

3 * Sec. 12. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
4 voters of the state, the amount of \$626,850 or as much of that amount as is
5 found necessary is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the
6 state bond committee to carry out the provisions of this Act and to pay
7 expenses incident to the sale and issuance of the bonds authorized in this
8 Act. The amounts expended from the appropriation authorized by this section
9 shall be reimbursed to the general fund from the proceeds of the sale of the
10 bonds authorized by this Act.

11 * Sec. 13. The amount withdrawn from the public facility planning fund
12 for the purpose of advance planning for the improvements financed under this
13 Act shall be reimbursed to the fund from the proceeds of the sale of bonds
14 authorized by this Act.

15 * Sec. 14. The question whether the bonds authorized in this Act are to
16 be issued shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the state at the next
17 general election and shall read substantially as follows:

18 Proposition

19 State General Obligation Transportation Con-
20 struction Bonds \$179,100,000

21 Shall the State of Alaska issue its general obligation bonds
22 in the principal amount of not more than \$179,100,000 for the
23 purpose of paying the cost of construction of and improvements
24 to highways and airport, port, and other transportation
25 facilities, and for acquisition of a jetfoil?

26 Bonds Yes []

27 Bonds No []

28 * Sec. 15. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-
29 070(c).

COMMITTEE REPORT

SENATE

4/20/82

FURTHER: Finance

Date: 4-26-82

Mr. President:

HEALTH, EDUCATION &
SOCIAL SERVICES

The Committee on _____ has had SB 891

issuance of g.o. bonds in the amount of \$38,000,000 for cost of construction & improvements to hospital facilities

under consideration and (a majority of the committee) (the committee) reports it back with the following recommendations:

do pass do not pass

do pass with attached amendments(s)

replace with CS for 891 (HESS)

and recommends _____

AND attaches a "Letter of Intent" New Fiscal Note

reports it back without recommendation

referred to the _____ Committee

MEMBERS SIGNING
DO PASS

[Signature]
[Signature]

MEMBERS HAVING
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Tom Kelly - No Rec

[Signature]

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April 26, 1982

LETTER OF INTENT
ON

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE (HESS) For SB 891

It is the intent of the Health, Education and Social Services Committee, in passing out CS for Senate Bill No. 891, that:

If the total amount of general obligation bonds for the "1982 Hospital Facilities Fund" is reduced, the following priority listing be observed.

1. Petersburg - \$8 million for construction
2. Cordova - \$1 million for design, \$13 million for construction
3. Homer - \$8 million for construction
4. Wrangell - \$1 million for design
5. Wrangell - \$8 million for construction
6. Kodiak - \$1 million for design
7. Kodiak - \$10 million for construction

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Charles H. Parr".

Senator Charles H. Parr
Chairman

Original sponsor: Finance Committee

Offered: 4/28/82
Referred: Rules

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

1 IN THE SENATE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 891 (HESS)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for the issuance of general obliga-
7 tion bonds in the amount of \$50,000,000 for the purpose
8 of paying the cost of design and construction of hospi-
9 tals; and providing for an effective date."

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

11 * Section 1. For the purpose of paying the cost of design and construction
12 of hospitals, general obligation bonds of the state in the principal amount
13 of not more than \$50,000,000 shall be issued and sold. The full faith,
14 credit, and resources of the state are pledged to the payment of the principal
15 of and interest and redemption premium, if any, on these bonds. These bonds
16 shall be issued under the provisions of AS 37.15 as those provisions read at
17 the time of issuance.

18 * Sec. 2. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
19 voters of the state, a special fund of the state to be known as the "1982
20 Hospital Construction Fund" shall be established, to which shall be credited
21 the proceeds of the sale of the bonds described in sec. 1 of this Act except
22 for the accrued interest and premiums.

23 * Sec. 3. The amount of \$8,000,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Hospital
24 Construction Fund" to the Department of Health and Social Services for con-
25 struction of a hospital in Petersburg.

26 * Sec. 4. The amount of \$14,000,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Hospi-
27 tal Construction Fund" to the Department of Health and Social Services for
28 design and construction of a hospital in Cordova.

29 * Sec. 5. The amount of \$8,000,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Hospital

1 Construction Fund" to the Department of Health and Social Services for con-
2 struction of a hospital in Homer.

3 * Sec. 6. The amount of \$9,000,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Hospital
4 Construction Fund" to the Department of Health and Social Services for design
5 and construction of a hospital in Wrangell.

6 * Sec. 7. The amount of \$11,000,000 is appropriated from the "1982 Hospi-
7 tal Construction Fund" to the Department of Health and Social Services for
8 design and construction of a hospital in Kodiak.

9 * Sec. 8. The appropriations for projects made in this Act may be re-
10 appropriated among the projects by law.

11 * Sec. 9. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
12 voters of the state, the amount of \$175,000 or as much of that amount as is
13 found necessary is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the
14 state bond committee to carry out the provisions of this Act and to pay
15 expenses incident to the sale and issuance of the bonds authorized in this
16 Act. The amounts expended from the appropriation authorized by this section
17 shall be reimbursed to the general fund from the proceeds of the sale of the
18 bonds authorized by this Act.

19 * Sec. 10. The amount withdrawn from the public facility planning fund
20 for the purpose of advance planning for the improvements financed under this
21 Act shall be reimbursed to the fund from the proceeds of the sale of bonds
22 authorized by this Act.

23 * Sec. 11. The question whether the bonds authorized in this Act are to
24 be issued shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the state at the next
25 general election and shall read substantially as follows:

26 Proposition

27 State General Obligation Hospital Construction

28 Bonds \$50,000,000

29 Shall the State of Alaska issue its general obligation bonds

1 in the principal amount of not more than \$50,000,000 for the
2 purpose of paying the cost of design and construction of hos-
3 pitals?

4 Bonds Yes []

5 Bonds No []

6 * Sec. 12. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-
7 070(c).

Introduced: 4/20/82
Referred: Health, Education &
Social Services and Finance

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 891

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for the issuance of general obliga-
7 tion bonds in the amount of \$38,000,000 for the purpose
8 of paying the cost of construction of and improvements
9 to hospital facilities; and providing for an effective
10 date."

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

12 * Section 1. For the purpose of paying the cost of construction of and
13 improvements to hospital facilities, general obligation bonds of the state in
14 the principal amount of not more than \$38,000,000 shall be issued and sold.
15 The full faith, credit, and resources of the state are pledged to the payment
16 of the principal of and interest and redemption premium, if any, on these
17 bonds. These bonds shall be issued under the provisions of AS 37.15 as those
18 provisions read at the time of issuance.

19 * Sec. 2. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
20 voters of the state, a special fund of the state to be known as the "1982
21 Hospital Facilities Fund" shall be established, to which shall be credited
22 the proceeds of the sale of the bonds described in sec. 1 of this Act except
23 for the accrued interest and premiums.

24 * Sec. 3. The amount of \$20,000,000 is appropriated from the "1982
25 Hospital Facilities Fund" to the Department of Community and Regional Affairs
26 for additions and improvements to Fairbanks Memorial Hospital.

27 * Sec. 4. The amount of \$18,000,000 is appropriated from the "1982
28 Hospital Facilities Fund" to the Department of Community and Regional Affairs
29 for construction of a hospital facility in Kotzebue.

COMMITTEE COPY

1 * Sec. 5. The appropriations for projects made in this Act may be re-
2 appropriated among the projects by law.

3 * Sec. 6. If the issuance of these bonds is authorized by the qualified
4 voters of the state, the amount of \$133,000 or as much of that amount as is
5 found necessary is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the
6 state bond committee to carry out the provisions of this Act and to pay
7 expenses incident to the sale and issuance of the bonds authorized in this
8 Act. The amounts expended from the appropriation authorized by this section
9 shall be reimbursed to the general fund from the proceeds of the sale of the
10 bonds authorized by this Act.

11 * Sec. 7. The amount withdrawn from the public facility planning fund for
12 the purpose of advance planning for the improvements financed under this Act
13 shall be reimbursed to the fund from the proceeds of the sale of bonds autho-
14 rized by this Act.

15 * Sec. 8. The question whether the bonds authorized in this Act are to be
16 issued shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the state at the next
17 general election and shall read substantially as follows:

18 Proposition

19 State General Obligation Hospital Facilities

20 Bonds \$38,000,000

21 Shall the State of Alaska issue its general obligation bonds
22 in the principal amount of not more than \$38,000,000 for the
23 purpose of paying the cost of construction of and improvements
24 to hospital facilities?

25 Bonds Yes []

26 Bonds No []

27 * Sec. 9. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-
28 070(c).

Position Paper

Senate Bill 891

"An Act providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds in the amount of \$38,000,000 for the purpose of paying the cost of construction of and improvements to hospital facilities; and providing for an effective date."

Senate Bill 891 authorizes through the sale of general obligation bonds a "1982 Hospital Facilities Fund" to pay the cost of construction of and improvements to hospital facilities. This bill proposes that the Department of Community and Regional Affairs make a total of \$38 million dollars available to two facilities as follows:

\$20 million to Fairbanks Memorial Hospital

\$18 million for construction of a hospital facility in Kotzebue

The Department has supported some level of state assistance to nonprofit, nonfederal health care facilities, particularly rural facilities in communities which may not have the economic base to support needed upgrading or replacement. Senate Bill 891 poses several serious problems for the Department, as follows:

- 1) Fairbanks Memorial Hospital has submitted a certificate of need application to the Department proposing the construction of a five floor addition to the hospital.

The Senate Budget request identifies \$16.5 million to be available to Fairbanks Hospital. It would therefore appear that Senate Bill 891 is duplicative of funding for this request.

It is the Department's position that some level of support may be appropriate to Fairbanks Memorial Hospital.

- 2) Kotzebue is served by a 31-bed U. S. Public Health Service (Indian Health Service) Hospital which is not licensed by the State of Alaska. It is the Department's understanding that information on the physical plant condition of IHS hospitals is available from the Alaska Area Native Health Service. The Department has not collected or reviewed such information, since it has no responsibility for determining need or licensing the construction or operation of any federal hospital.

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The Kotzebue PHS hospital currently provides acute care services to a population which approximates those persons living within the Kobuk Census Area. In 1980 this population consisted of 4831 persons of which 4113 or 85.1% were native and 718 or 14.9% were nonnative. The Northern Alaska Health Resources Assn. (NAHRA) has estimated the 1985 population at 5297 and the 1990 population at 5763 assuming a continuation of the 1970-1980 rate of increase of 19.3%.

In FY 1980 the Kotzebue PHS hospital showed an occupancy rate of 31%. Given the following assumptions:

- 1) current policies regarding provision of services to native and nonnative populations continues;
- 2) the number of beds remain the same;
- 3) the pattern of primary care services utilization in the region remains the same;

it would be reasonable to expect the occupancy to increase in rough correspondence to the population. This would suggest an occupancy of 34% in 1985 and 37% in 1990.

Representatives of the Alaska Area Native Health Service indicate that the Kotzebue facility is one of the newer AANHS facilities in Alaska. It does need modernization and expansion in the outpatient area and the foundation needs some structural work. The AANHS representatives indicate that the facility is not scheduled for replacement, presumably because the needs can be addressed by renovation rather than full scale replacement.

The State Health Plan does not identify the need for an additional hospital in Kotzebue. A thorough needs assessment as part of the certificate of need process is essential to determine:

- . whether a second hospital is needed in Kotzebue
- . if a second hospital is needed, what size hospital and what services are needed
- . the relationship of the proposed facility to the existing federal facility
- . the impact to the health facility revenue sharing fund of an additional hospital eligible for \$250,000 in operating assistance each year

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- the impact to the state's Medicaid budget is a nonfederal hospital replaces a federal hospital inasmuch as the federal government provides 100 percent reimbursement for Medicaid eligibles in federal facilities but less than 50 percent for Medicaid eligibles in nonfederal facilities. The remainder is paid for from state general funds.

Recommended by: Phoebe A. Lindsey
Phoebe A. Lindsey, Director/
Division of State Health
Planning & Development

Date: April 22, 1982

Approved by: Helen D. Beirne
Helen D. Beirne, Commissioner
Department of Health
& Social Services

Date: 4-22-82

THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

I. REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No. Senate Bill 891

Title "An act providing for issuance of general obligation bonds for construction...

Requested by Senate Finance hospital facilities.

II. FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected Health & Social Services

Program Category Affected _____

BRU, Program, Or Subprogram(s) Affected _____

(Note: If more than one budget component is affected, separate line-item amounts and funding for each component in the analysis section.)

EXPENDITURES (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 83	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86	FY 87	FY 88
100 PERSONAL SERVICES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
200 TRAVEL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
300 CONTRACTUAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
400 COMMODITIES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
500 EQUIPMENT	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
600 LAND & STRUCTURES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS, ETC.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
TOTAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

FUNDING (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
FEDERAL FUNDS	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
OTHER (Specify Source)	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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POSITIONS

FULL TIME	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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TEMPORARY	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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III. ANALYSIS (See Fiscal Note Preparation Instruction, Section III)

This bill does not change the financing of the Division of State Health Planning and Development.

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The Honorable Michael F. Beirne
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Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Representative Beirne:


Enclosed is our report on the physical plant conditions of Alaska's rural hospitals and nursing homes. This report complements our initial report on construction needs among the state's 200 clinics which we recently provided to you. Both inventories were supported by a capital appropriation made to the Department by the Legislature for fiscal year 1982.

These reports were prepared to assist us in our long range planning as well as to guide the state in considering resource allocations for health facility construction. This increasing trend toward state assistance in health facility construction underscores the need for a systematic approach to allow the most urgent needs to be met in a timely manner.

A complete set of the individual inventories is being placed on file with the State Library, the Legislative Library, and a full set of reports is also available for review in the Division of State Health Planning and Development. We are providing to your committee a full set of the individual inventories for use by committee members and other members of the House.

If you have any questions or comments on this report, you may wish to contact Phoebe A. Lindsey, Director of the Division of State Health Planning and Development at 465-3038.

Sincerely,



Helen D. Beirne
Commissioner

Enclosure

REPORT ON RURAL ALASKA HOSPITALS AND NURSING HOMES
INVENTORY AND EVALUATION
SURVEY

PREPARED FOR
ALASKA LEGISLATURE

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DIVISION OF STATE HEALTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
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HELEN D. BEIRNE, COMMISSIONER
MARCH 8, 1982

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INTRODUCTION

Ensuring access to and availability of care is an important planning responsibility of the State of Alaska. The needs for and adequacy of health care facilities, manpower, services and equipment are all important considerations in determining an appropriate health care delivery system for Alaska.

With the support of a 1981 legislative appropriation, the Department of Health and Social Services has conducted an inventory of 15 rural hospitals and nursing homes and a survey of more than 200 clinics in the State to assess their physical plant condition and functional adequacy. This report describes the inventory design and process, the findings, and alternative construction funding sources. In a separate effort, the Department surveyed all health clinics in the State and has provided an initial report on the needs for clinic construction to the legislature.

Information provided in these reports is intended to serve as a guide in determining an appropriate level of State support for health facility construction, since the number and size of construction aid requests and/or appropriations are increasing each year. Cost estimates are provided to outline the dimension of construction need, but cannot be interpreted as a recommended level of State support.

I. HEALTH FACILITY INVENTORY DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION

The Need for a Health Facility Inventory

The Department of Health and Social Services has become increasingly aware that many health care facilities, particularly rural hospitals and nursing homes,

are in need of renovation or replacement. This awareness has sharpened as the Department fulfills its responsibilities for review and approval of facility construction plans, for issuing construction licenses, for annual operational licensure surveys, for certification for Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement and in analyzing applications for certificate of need. Knowledge that there were significant needs for upgrading facilities was accompanied by an awareness that many communities were unable to undertake hospital or nursing home renovations because the community's economic base could not support the total costs. The Department initially outlined its concerns related to health facility construction and operation in a 1981 report to the Legislature on health facility revenue sharing.

Designing the Inventory

As a result of an appropriation by the 1981 Legislature to inventory health facilities, the Department defined its scope as those rural hospitals and nursing homes designated as Level III facilities in the State Health Plan. This designation includes communities with sufficient population and health care services, manpower, equipment and facilities to provide basic hospital services and long term care services. The inventory was limited to these communities because construction, licensing and certification staffs had identified major deficiencies in these facilities which communities had been unable to correct. These deficiencies included:

- Building, fire and life safety code violations;
- Lack of adequate mechanical ventilation to patient care areas;
- Mechanical and electrical inadequacies resulting from acquisition and use of modern equipment which places higher demands on original mechanical and electrical systems;

- Structural constraints which inhibit facility flexibility to respond to changes in health care practices, patterns of use, medical technology and community attitudes;
- Space shortages resulting from increased complexity of information processing and records storage requirements;
- Space shortages resulting from more medical equipment;
- Storage shortages related to greater use of disposables rather than reusable items.

Changes in service area populations (growth or decreases) modifying needs for space.

To determine interest in participating in the survey, the Department contacted all rural hospitals and nursing homes to advise them of the survey and to request their participation. Anchorage and Fairbanks hospitals were not included as they are not considered rural facilities and were not experiencing code compliance correction issues faced by rural facilities. For-profit facilities such as Nakoyia Health Care Center in Anchorage and Careage North in Fairbanks were also excluded since they are not eligible for State assistance. All rural hospitals and nursing homes elected to participate in the inventory with the exception of Valley Hospital in Palmer, since financing had been secured for renovation/replacement of the facility and project design was in progress. Sitka Community Hospital also declined to participate since construction of a replacement facility was underway.

Conducting the Inventory

Once the listing of facilities to be inventoried had been finalized, the Department of Health and Social of Services issued a Request for Proposal to architectural firms for the completion of an on-site inventory and evaluation survey of fifteen rural health care facilities in the State.

The purpose of the survey is two-fold: 1) to develop a detailed record of the current condition of each subject facility, emphasizing physical condition and functional adequacy; and, 2) based on an analysis of those current conditions and any anticipated future developments (expressed in long-range plans, and certificate of need applications, for example), to formulate recommended activities for the correction of noted deficiencies and provide preliminary cost estimates for the recommended activities.

The inventory and condition survey was organized into three basic phases:

Phase One: Pre-inventory Activity

The first phase consisted of pre-inventory activity including:

- preparation of request for proposals
- selection of architectural firm
- initial consultation with selected firm
- collection and review of available documents/plans
- confirmation of site visit schedule
- development of forms and questionnaires
- final coordination meeting between architectural firm and DHSS

Phase Two: On-site Inventory

The second phase included all the on-site inventory activity. To accomplish this portion of the work in the limited time available, two survey teams were formed, each with a hospital systems planner, an architectural investigator, a mechanical investigator, and an electrical investigator. The facilities surveyed were divided into an eastern region and a western region with one survey team assigned to each region. Pre-determined survey formats were used to assure consistency between the two regions.

Each site survey consisted of the following steps:

Document Review:

Examination of existing documents including plans, code reviews, pertinent facilities board actions, pending physical plant changes, fire marshal reports, licensing agency recommendations and long-range plans.

Staff Interview:

An interview session including representatives from the facility's administration and medical staff (as deemed appropriate by the facility's administrator).

Facility Examination:

The survey team inspected all portions of the facility to gather first-hand information on all systems. Standardized forms and checklists were used to assure thorough investigation and standardized reporting. Field notes were used to itemize deficiencies not covered by the standardized forms and checklists.

Final Meeting:

A final meeting was held with the facility's administrator to communicate the results of the facility examination, preliminary findings of the team, and to discuss the nature of the report.

Phase Three - Evaluation of Reports

The third phase of the inventory and condition survey included the evaluation of collected data, and preparation and submission of draft reports. The Health Resources Development Section of the Division of State Health Planning and Development, DHSS analyzed several drafts and worked with the consulting architectural firm toward the completion and printing of the report.

II. OVERVIEW OF SURVEYED FACILITIES

During its evaluation of the physical facilities of each hospital/nursing home the architectural team discovered a number of serious deficiencies. Generally, the deficiencies result from advances and changing techniques in the medical field, coupled with more stringent building, fire and life safety codes which have been adopted over the years since construction of the facilities. Space and flexibility limitations in the facilities were also judged to be important deficiencies and were considered in arriving at the recommendations for corrective measures.

The majority of nursing units were found to lack required electrical capacity, mechanical ventilation systems and nurse call systems. Surgical units

in some hospital facilities were found not to meet minimum area requirements and to be poorly ventilated. Often the surgical areas were laid out in a manner providing undesirable circulation patterns which created cross-contamination problems.

Advanced laboratory and treatment equipment is increasingly being placed in service at the facilities. Usage of the radiology and laboratory units of the facilities is also increasing. These areas require large amounts of mechanical and electrical service to accommodate these increases. Most of the facilities surveyed were drastically short on space in these areas. Most of the older facilities provide insufficient waiting areas for outpatients, causing the use of corridors, foyers, and other access areas for waiting areas. These conditions result in Life Safety Code violations.

Many facilities have found it necessary to store medical equipment in corridors due to the lack of storage space, thus compounding circulation problems.

New obstetrical practices such as "birthing rooms" and "rooming in" have become popular in recent years causing changes in space requirements for obstetrical areas.

Administration areas in most facilities are cramped, with records storage space lacking. As these facilities convert to the use of computerized data storage systems, this problem will increase due to the sophisticated mechanical and electrical requirements for this equipment. Retrofitting most facilities to handle this type of equipment will be costly and difficult.

Bringing some of the surveyed facilities into compliance with the governing

mechanical and electrical codes is expected to be more costly than new construction. This is due, in part, to a lack of physical space in which to install the required systems. Examples of this are:

The existence of concrete floor slab-on-grade construction, where the floor would have to be removed to install new plumbing or mechanical systems; and,

Buildings that have little or no space between ceilings and the roof framing for the installation of mechanical systems.

Although, in some instances the report recommends facility replacement based upon the conclusion that it would not be cost-efficient to attempt to bring the facility up to current hospital construction standards by remodeling or renovation, many of those facilities may still be useful for non-hospital programs.

The reports do not recommend the correction of noted deficiencies when the costs involved appear to outweigh the benefits. In such instances replacement is suggested. In other instances the reports recommend immediate remedial action to correct hazards even though the final conclusion is for replacement of the facility.

III. PRIORITIZATION OF SURVEY FACILITIES

in conducting the inventory and evaluation study of the fifteen hospitals and long-term care facilities, the architectural consultants identified six facilities which are in greater need of immediate attention than others, due

to their more severe physical and functional deficiencies. To arrive at a ranking of all surveyed facilities based upon relative need for construction to correct noted deficiencies, the Department assembled a committee to review the report. This committee consisted of one member of:

The Alaska Medical Facility Authority;
The Alaska State Hospital Association
Southeast Alaska Health Systems Agency, Inc;
South Central Health Planning and Development, Inc.;
The Medical Care Advisory Committee, and
The Statewide Health Coordinating Council.

The ranking provided by this committee was based only upon the relative severity of all physical and functional deficiencies found at each facility and did not consider other factors such as facility utilization or population trends: The committee ranking was as follows:

- 1.) Cordova Community Hospital and Long-Term Care Facility
- 2.) Petersburg General Hospital and Long-Term Care Facility
- 3.) Seward General Hospital
- 4.) Kodiak Island Hospital and Long-Term Care Facility
- 6.) Wesleyan Nursing Home
- 7.) Wrangell General Hospital
- 8.) South Peninsula General Hospital and Long-Term Care Facility
- 9.) Ketchikan General Hospital and Island View Manor
- 10.) Central Peninsula General Hospital
- 11.) Bartlett Memorial Hospital
- 12.) Valdez Community Hospital

13.) St. Ann's Nursing Home

14.) Norton Sound Regional Hospital

To develop a construction plan for addressing the need for correcting the noted deficiencies, the Department considered the recommendations given in the report and the recommended ranking provided by the review committee in light of factors other than physical characteristics such as occupancy rates, population trends, accessibility, and alternative sources of health care. The construction plan (attached as an appendix) recognizes the need for an orderly progression for each facility on a year to year basis from preparation of long-range planning to design and then to construction. The plan also recognizes the fact that some of the facilities have completed the planning phase or design phase and are prepared to proceed with the correction of deficiencies. For these reasons the construction plan is not entirely consistent with the prioritized listing which was based only upon the severity of deficiencies. The plan also spreads the estimated costs for planning and construction over a five year period.

For some facilities the consultants report provided estimated costs for correcting deficiencies. For other facilities where estimated costs were more difficult to assess the report recommended long-range planning before establishment of cost estimates. Readers of this report should note that the estimated costs have been proposed without the benefit of detailed long-range planning and should only be viewed as guidelines. The costs shown in the report and construction plan are estimated 1982 values without projection for inflation and do not include other project costs such as fees, equipment, or site acquisition. More accurate figures have been presented for the Petersburg facility since that facility is nearing the end of the design phase.

The estimated costs shown are provided as a guideline in determining the dimensions of a given community's need. No estimates have been made or indeed can be made from this inventory as to the level of State assistance appropriate to any one community.

The construction plan emphasises the need for long-range planning prior to construction. The consultant report indicates that sufficient long-range planning was not done before construction of several of the facilities surveyed. The Department recommends a requirement for formal long-range planning for those facilities which have not begun or have not have adopted a long-range plan before any State funding is provided. One important aspect of long-range planning is to identify possible future expansion and thereby, avoid "boxing in" service areas which can reasonably be expected to require more space in future years. Long-range planning and State policy development should also consider both Pioneers and non-Pioneers requiring long-term nursing care. The expected growth of the age group of Alaskans eligible for Pioneer services, which include skilled nursing care, make this an important consideration.

IV. ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF CONSTRUCTION FUNDS

Possible sources for construction funds are limited and apparently do not meet the needs of most of the surveyed facilities. Existing sources are:

Revenue Sharing

Under AS 29.90 municipalities or other hospital or health facilities sponsors may receive reimbursement for up to 25% of total project costs. This partial reimbursement is available only to those facilities which have successfully secured financing and have completed a health facility construction project. Most rural facilities do not have the capacity for debt required to secure

financing for completion of a facility. For this reason access to the partial reimbursement is essentially denied to those facilities.

Alaska Medical Facility Authority

Under AS 18.26 medical facilities may apply to the Alaska Medical Facility Authority for State backing relative to the sale of tax-exempt bonds for the purpose of financing medical facility construction. One project has been financed through this program to date -- a 1978 Fairbanks Memorial Hospital expansion project in the amount of approximately \$12 million. Alaska Hospital and Medical Center, Anchorage, is presently working with the Authority for the refinancing of that facility and the acquisition of the adjacent professional office building.

One determination which the Authority must make before bonds may be issued under this statute is that the lease or operator agreement for the medical facility being financed by that issue is at least sufficient to meet all obligations in connection with the lease or operator agreement, including all costs necessary to service the bonds. This prerequisite essentially disallows use of the program by rural facilities, most of which do not have more than a minimal capacity for servicing bonds.

Federal Funding

Federal funding for health facility construction provided under the Hill-Burton program is no longer available.

Congress has approved a program which may provide construction funds for the purpose of converting existing hospitals and long-term care facilities to

other uses. The intent of this program is to provide for an orderly closure of an unneeded hospital or long-term care facility. This program has not been funded and would not serve the needs of Alaskan facilities which are seeking funds for renovation or replacement.

The only Federal funds which are available for health facility construction are essentially limited to construction or renovation of Federally owned facilities such as Public Health Service hospitals or Veterans hospitals.

Municipal or Borough Bonds

The issuance of municipal or borough bonds is a possible source of funds for community hospitals. Most of the surveyed facilities are, however, located in municipalities or boroughs which do not have the bond capacity necessary to meet more than a portion of estimated construction costs.

Direct Legislative Funding

Direct legislative funding through the sale of bonds or from general funds has been an important source of State support for health facility construction, particularly for rural facilities. There are, however, several problems which may result from a direct legislative appropriation to a named recipient. This method of funding has provided excess funding in some instances, and insufficient funding in other instances, since, under this method, funding levels are necessarily set before reliable cost estimates are available. An excess of funds usually results in additions to the original building concept such as additional administrative space, another operatory or another feature which may not be essential. Insufficient funding either causes delays

in project construction, incomplete projects, or the construction of a facility which is reduced in scope from the original design.

Conventional Loans

Conventional loans from lending institutions may be another source of construction dollars for hospitals; however, lending institutions usually have more stringent requirements and higher interest rates than previously mentioned alternatives.

V. DETERMINING A STATE ROLE IN HEALTH FACILITY CONSTRUCTION

The question of the appropriate state role in assisting construction needs of existing facilities is a complex one. This report has noted that the State and Federal Government have previously had roles in establishing and/or assisting with the construction of many health care facilities. With the discontinuation of Federal funds which had previously supported construction of health care facilities, the State's role has become less clear and in need of further exploration and definition. Regardless of the extent of the State's role, the fact remains that many of Alaska's health care facilities, which are deemed to be needed facilities by virtue of access to the services they provide, are in need of renovation, modernization or replacement in order to continue to make quality health care reasonably accessible to Alaskans as well as to the many visitors to this State.

Health facility construction funding is presently limited to the aforementioned alternatives. The likelihood of Federal assistance for which Alaska facilities would be eligible any time in the near future is remote. Health facility construction need not be bound by current programs if it is determined that the State has a role in assisting with systematic health facility upgrading and construction.