

LEGISLATIVE FINANCE - HOUSE / SENATE FINANCE COMM. FILES 8879

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6. Union Business Leave

The Union Business Leave Bank has been reinstated. The Bank is funded by deducting one day of leave from each bargaining unit member upon entry to the bargaining unit. Leave thus deducted is converted to cash value based on the instant employee's wage. The dollars may then be used to fund employee absences for Union business. This system mirrors that of the predecessor agreement which was terminated upon decertification of the prior representative.

LEGISLATION

Legislation is now necessary to fund those monetary terms which require an appropriation for their implementation. Further details on this agreement can be obtained from Dianne Corso or Art Chance, Division of Labor Relations, at 465-4404.

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cc: The Honorable Steve Cowper
Governor
State of Alaska

Bruce Cummings
Director
Division of Labor Relations
Department of Administration

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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

File

(11)

Date Referred: May 6, 1990

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: 5/6/90

The FINANCE Committee considered:

CSSB 527 (FINANCE)

CS SB NO. 527 (Finance)

SALARIES FOR UNREPRESENTED EMPLOYEES

"An Act relating to salaries for officers and employees who are not members of a collective bargaining unit; and providing for an effective date."

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- be replaced with _____ the same title
- have attached amendment(s) a new title
- do pass
- do not pass
- no recommendation
- individual recommendations
- additional referral to the _____ Committee

ADOPTS: _____ letter of intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S): (Dept) APPROVES PREVIOUS: (Date/Dept)

- fiscal impact _____ fiscal note(s) _____
- zero fiscal note _____ zero fiscal note(s) _____
- zero with analysis _____ zero fn/analysis _____

SIGNING DO PASS:

SIGNING: (Check approp. column)

Do Not Pass No Rec Amend

[Signature] Hoffman

[Signature] Larson

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<u>[Signature]</u> Rieger		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

[Signature] Larson

Co-Chairman's Signature [Signature] Hoffman

Original sponsor(s): Rules/Governor

1 IN THE SENATE BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 527 (Finance)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

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2 are entitled to receive salary increases in accordance with the compen-
3 sation policy of the board of regents of the University of Alaska.

4 * Sec. 4. This Act is retroactive to January 1, 1990.

5 * Sec. 5. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

CORRECTION

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Offered: 5/4/90
Referred: Rules

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Original sponsor(s): Rules/Governor

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5	20	3700	3840	3957	4105	4230	4386
6	21	3957	4105	4230	4386	4524	4687
7	22	4230	4386	4524	4687	4842	5019
8	23	4524	4687	4842	5019	5187	5381
9	24	4842	5019	5187	5381	5563	5752
10	25	5187	5381	5563	5752	5964	6188
11	26	5381	5563	5752	5964	6188	6411
12	27	5563	5752	5964	6188	6411	6655
13	28	5752	5964	6188	6411	6655	6886
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16 * Sec. 2. EMPLOYEES OF THE JUDICIAL AND LEGISLATIVE BRANCHES, AND
17 CERTAIN EXEMPT EMPLOYEES OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH. The following employees
18 are entitled to receive salary adjustments comparable to those received by
19 the classified and partially exempt employees of the executive branch under
20 AS 39.27.011(a) as that subsection is reenacted in sec. 1 of this Act:

21 (1) judges and permanent and temporary employees of the judicial
22 branch;

23 (2) legislators and employees of the legislative branch, includ-
24 ing staff of the ombudsman's office;

25 (3) permanent and temporary employees of the executive branch
26 who are in the exempt service under AS 39.25, who are not members of a
27 collective bargaining unit established under the Public Employment Rela-
28 tions Act (AS 23.40), and who are not otherwise covered by AS 39.27.011(a).

29 * Sec. 3. EMPLOYEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA. The employees of the

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2 are entitled to receive salary increases in accordance with the compen-
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SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 4/19/90

FURTHER:

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: 5/4/90

The Finance Committee considered

SB 527

"An Act relating to salaries for employees who are not members of a collective bargaining unit; and providing for an effective date."

and recommended:

replace with _____ CS SB 527 (Fin)
 or adopt _____ CS _____
 attached amendment(s)
 _____ letter of intent adopted

same title
 new title
 technical title change (HB only)

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

further referral to _____

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Dept/Date:

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zero fiscal note(s) _____

APPROVES PREVIOUS:

Dept/Date:

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zero fiscal note(s) _____

appropriation-no fiscal note

Companion to appropriation bill SB 526
SIGNING DO PASS:

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. [Signature] DO PASS

2. [Signature] (NO PASS)

Co-Chairs: Signatures and Recommendations

Original sponsor(s): Rules/Governor

IN THE SENATE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 527 (Finance)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to salaries for officers and employees who are not members of a collective bargaining unit; and providing for an effective date."

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

* Section 1. AS 39.27.011(a) is repealed and reenacted to read:

(a) SALARY SCHEDULE. The following monthly basic salary schedule is approved as the pay plan for classified and partially exempt employees in the executive branch of the state government who are not members of a collective bargaining unit established under the authority of the Public Employment Relations Act and employees of the legislature under AS 24.10 and AS 24.20:

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- (1) judges and permanent and temporary employees of the judicial branch;
- (2) legislators and employees of the legislative branch, including staff of the ombudsman's office;
- (3) permanent and temporary employees of the executive branch who are in the exempt service under AS 39.25, who are not members of a collective bargaining unit established under the Public Employment Relations Act (AS 23.40), and who are not otherwise covered by AS 39.27.011(a).

* Sec. 3. EMPLOYEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA. The employees of the CSSB 527(Fin)

University of Alaska who are not members of a collective bargaining unit are entitled to receive salary increases in accordance with the compensation policy of the board of regents of the University of Alaska.

* Sec. 4. This Act is retroactive to January 1, 1990.

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STEVE COWPER
GOVERNOR



STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
JUNEAU

March 20, 1990

The Honorable Tim Kelly
President of the Senate
Alaska State Legislature
P.O. Box V
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Mr. President:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill that grants a 3.3 percent pay increase to certain state employees not covered by collective bargaining agreements.

Section 1 of the bill increases the pay of certain legislative and classified and partially exempt executive-branch employees who are not covered by a collective bargaining agreement. It amends AS 39.27.011(a), the statutory salary schedule for such workers.

Section 2 provides the same increase to permanent employees of the judicial and legislative branches, the chief clerk of the house of representatives and the clerk's staff, the senate secretary and staff, the ombudsman's permanent staff, and permanent and temporary employees of the executive branch in the exempt service not otherwise covered by AS 39.27.011(a). The salaries of certain other officers, such as the ombudsman, are affected by the change, as they are tied to AS 39.27.011(a).

Section 3 provides that University of Alaska employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement are entitled to receive salary increases in accordance with the university's compensation plan.

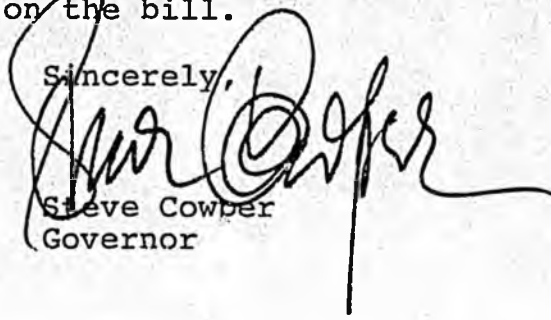
The bill amends legislative and judicial salary statutes so that judges' and legislative salaries will no longer be tied to the statutory scale. Sections 4 -- 7 set the salaries of the state's judges and justices at their current rate, by simply stating the dollar amount currently arrived at by referring to the salary schedule. Section 8 similarly sets the salaries of legislators at their current

rate. The 3.3 percent increase has not been applied to either group, or the lieutenant governor or me.

All provisions of the bill, including the pay increases, are retroactive to January 1, 1990.

This legislation should put these state employees on an equal footing with employees in collective bargaining units that have recently settled with the state. I urge your prompt and favorable action on the bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Cowper", written over the typed name and title.

Steve Cowper
Governor

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SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 3/27/90

FURTHER:

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: 4/11/90

The Finance Committee considered

SB 531

"An Act establishing certain labeling and identification requirements for food products containing farmed finfish."

and recommended:

replace with CS SB 531 (Finance)
 or adopt CS

same title
 new title
 technical title change (HB only)

attached amendment(s)
 letter of intent adopted

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

~~individual recommendations~~

further referral to _____

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Dept/Date:

fiscal note(s) DEC 2.5 3/23/90

zero fiscal note(s)

appropriation-no fiscal note

APPROVES PREVIOUS:

Dept/Date:

fiscal note(s)

zero fiscal note(s)

SIGNING DO PASS:

J. Duncan
Paul Grub

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

FILE LEGISL - NO REC
Rich Hebel (No Rec)
CO-CHAIR

1. _____

2. _____

Co-Chairs: Signatures and Recommendations

STATE OF ALASKA
1990 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL VERSION: CSSB 531 (L&C)

PUBLISH DATE: 3/27/90

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____
Title: An act establishing certain labeling for food containing farmed finfish
Sponsor: Labor & Commerce Committee
Requestor: Senator Eliason

Agency Affected: Environ. Conservation
BRU: Environmental Health
Components: Sanitation and Seafood

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
PERSONAL SERVICES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TRAVEL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CONTRACTUAL	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SUPPLIES	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EQUIPMENT	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
LAND&STRUCTURES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
GRANTS,CLAIMS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
MISCELLANEOUS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL OPERATING	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CAPITAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
REVENUE	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
OTHER	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
PART-TIME	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TEMPORARY	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

One time costs associated with development and distribution of notification to restaurants, retail grocery stores, wholesalers, food and seafood processors of labeling and identification requirements.

Changes in CSSB 531 (Fin) have no fiscal impact. This fiscal note is appropriate. 4/11/90 vvw

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Division: Environmental Health

Phone: 465-2609
Date: 3/23/90

Approved by Commissioner: ADH
Agency: Environmental Conservation

Date: 3/23/90

Distribution (by preparer) :
Legislative Finance
Legislative Sponsor
Requestor
Office of Management and Budget
Impacted Agency(ies)

) Changes in SB 531 (L&C) have no fiscal impact. This fiscal note is appropriate.

Original sponsor(s): Labor & Commerce Committee

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 531 (Finance)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing certain labeling and identifica-
7 tion requirements for food products containing farmed
8 salmon; and providing for an effective date."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 17.20.040 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

11 (12) the food is a farmed salmon product, unless

12 (A) the product is labeled to identify the product as
13 farmed fish raised outside the state, if the product is sold in a
14 packaged form; or

15 (B) the product is conspicuously identified as farmed
16 fish raised outside the state, if the product is sold in an
17 unpackaged form.

18 * Sec. 2. AS 17.20.370 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

19 (14) "farmed salmon product" means a food product that
20 contains salmon that is propagated, farmed, or cultivated in an
21 aquatic farm; in this paragraph

22 (A) "aquatic farm" means a facility that grows, farms,
23 or cultivates finfish in captivity or under positive control, but
24 does not include a salmon hatchery that is owned by the state or
25 that holds a salmon hatchery permit under AS 16.10.400;

26 (B) "positive control" has the meaning given in
27 AS 16.40.199.

28 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect August 1, 1990.

4/11/90
Roger Painter

Senate Bill 531 (Labeling of farmed finfish products)

This legislation would require restaurants that serve catfish, trout and other non-controversial species to reprint their menus. Supermarkets would be required to label products containing farmed finfish at fish counters, in advertisements and to relabel pre-packaged products. Importers (usually brokers and distributors) also would be required to label products as they come into the state and are sold on the wholesale market.

Since the issue really is how to distinguish farmed salmon from Alaska's "wild" catches, the best approach would be to limit the labeling requirements to farmed salmon. This approach would require the labeling, for instance, of farmed salmon purchased from B.C. and processed in Alaska to distinguish from "wild" salmon products.

Alaska cannot require the labeling of products in other areas, and since only a tiny fraction of our catch is sold in-state, the legislation would not influence 99 percent of sales. Yet, Alaska restaurants, supermarkets and distributors would be saddled with unnecessary requirements and expenses. By adopting amendments to limit the scope to farmed salmon, the legislation would still achieve its desired goal at a much lower cost and impact upon Alaska businesses.

Proposed Amendment:

Line 8 (title):

[FINFISH] salmon; and providing for an effective date."

Line: 11:

(12) the food is s farmed [finfish] salmon product, unless

Line 19:

(14) "farmed [FINFISH] salmon product" means a food product that

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contains [FINFISH] salmon that is propagated, farmed, or cultivated in an

Line 23:

or cultivates [FINFISH] salmon in captivity or under positive control, but

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Alaska Environmental Lobby, Inc.

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AEL ISSUE PAPER - SB 531 ESTABLISHING CERTAIN LABELING AND IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR FOOD PRODUCTS CONTAINING FARMED FINFISH

The Alaska Environmental Lobby supports this legislation.

* In Alaska, we are fortunate to have a vast supply of fresh seafood available to consumers. The finfish commercially harvested in our state and sold in our markets and restaurants grows in its natural habitat. The product is thus not only fresh but lives in clean waters and feeds in this natural environment.

* An increasing amount of finfish marketed in Alaska comes from farms outside the state. Because Alaskans are accustomed to buying a product they assume to be natural, they may think they are purchasing fresh, ocean-grown fish when in fact the product is farmed. We believe it is the consumers' right to know what it is they are getting when they purchase finfish at the store or in a restaurant. For this reason, we support this legislation which would require any farmed finfish product sold in Alaska be labeled as such. Further, it is important that these products be labeled as not being from Alaska so that consumers can continue to trust that any non-labeled finfish they purchase is indeed a natural Alaskan product.

* Many consumers prefer to purchase and eat naturally-grown rather than farmed finfish because the latter are fed food different from what would be available in the natural habitat and are often treated with chemicals and/or hormones to insure their survival and faster growth. For these Alaskans, it is important to know whether the finfish being sold is farmed or not.

* Because this legislation protects Alaskans' right to be informed consumers, we urge legislators to support it.

April 10, 1990

Ellen Wolf

Volunteer Lobbyist

CLEAN AIR COALITION • PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND CONSERVATION ALLIANCE • ALASKA CENTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT
ALASKA CHAPTER, SIERRA CLUB • JUNEAU GROUP, SIERRA CLUB • KNIK GROUP, SIERRA CLUB • DENALI GROUP, SIERRA CLUB
ANCHORAGE AUDUBON SOCIETY • ARCTIC AUDUBON SOCIETY • DENALI CITIZENS' COUNCIL • ALASKA FRIENDS OF THE EARTH
JUNEAU AUDUBON SOCIETY • KACHEMAK BAY CONSERVATION SOCIETY • KENAI PENINSULA AUDUBON SOCIETY • KODIAK AUDUBON SOCIETY
LYNN CANAL CONSERVATION • SITKA CONSERVATION SOCIETY • NORTHERN ALASKA ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER
SOUTHEAST ALASKA CONSERVATION COUNCIL • KNIK CANOERS AND KAYAKERS

Original sponsor(s): Labor & Commerce Committee

1 IN THE SENATE BY THE ^{FINANCE COMMITTEE} ~~LABOR & COMMERCE COMMITTEE~~
2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 531 ^{Fin} (L&C)
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

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8 ^{salmon} ~~finfish~~; and providing for an effective date."

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

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25 that holds a salmon hatchery permit under AS 16.10.400;

26 (B) "positive control" has the meaning given in
27 AS 16.40.199.

28 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect August 1, 1990.

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SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 4/24/90

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: _____

The Finance Committee considered

SB 533

"An Act relating to food and housing for construction workers at remote construction sites on public construction projects; and providing for an effective date."

and recommended:

- replace with _____ CS _____ same title
- or adopt _____ CS _____ new title
- attached amendment(s) technical title change (HB only)
- _____ letter of intent adopted

do pass

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no recommendation

individual recommendations

further referral to _____

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Dept/Date:

fiscal note(s) _____

zero fiscal note(s) _____

appropriation-no fiscal note

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Dept/Date:

fiscal note(s) _____

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OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

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Co-Chairs: Signatures and Recommendations

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT
FIRST COMMITTEE OF REFERRAL

DATE: 3/22/90

FURTHER: Finance

Date of 5-Day Notice: 4/12/90
(in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: 4/24/90

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Labor and Commerce Committee considered SB 533
Food and housing for construction workers at remote construction sites
on public construction projects; efd.
and report it back as follows

and recommended:

- replace with _____ CS _____ same title
- attached amendment(s) new title
- _____ letter of intent adopted

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Department(s)/Date:

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fiscal note(s) DOT/PF 4/4/90

zero fiscal note(s) Dept of Labor 3/30/90

appropriation-no fiscal note

Governor's bill w/fiscal note

SIGNING DO PASS:

Robert Rodery

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Jan Jacks No Rec

Rollins
Chair: Signature and Recommendation

BY THE LABOR & COMMERCE COMMITTEE

1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 533

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to food and housing for construction
7 workers at remote construction sites on public con-
8 struction projects; and providing for an effective
9 date."

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

11 * Section 1. AS 36.90 is amended by adding a new section to read:

12 Sec. 36.90.110. FOOD AND HOUSING AT REMOTE CONSTRUCTION SITES.

13 (a) Except as provided in (b) of this section, an employer or con-
14 tractor shall provide food and housing to an employee of the employer
15 or contractor working on a public construction project at a remote
16 construction site. The housing must meet safety and health standards
17 for housing set out in the Standards for Occupational and Industrial
18 Structures adopted by the department. The employer or contractor may
19 not consider the cost of the food and housing in setting wages for the
20 employee or in meeting wage requirements under AS 23.10.065 or
21 AS 36.05.

22 (b) An employer or contractor who provides adequate transporta-
23 tion to employees is exempt from the requirement to provide food and
24 housing under (a) of this section. Transportation is adequate under
25 this section if it

26 (1) is available daily at reasonable hours to and from the
27 remote construction site to a location that provides access to ade-
28 quate commercially-available housing;

29 (2) takes no more than 30 minutes to transport the employee
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1 from the departure point to the worksite; and

2 (3) meets applicable transportation safety standards.

3 (c) The requirements of this section are considered a part of
4 every contract for hire for a public construction project in the
5 state. The advertised specifications for a public construction con-
6 tract that is partly or wholly funded by state money must contain a
7 provision stating the requirement for providing food and housing at
8 remote construction sites.

9 (d) The department shall implement this section by regulation.

10 (e) In this section "remote" means a work site that is either
11 more than 50 road miles or inaccessible by two-wheel-drive vehicles
12 from a place that has adequate, commercially-available food and hous-
13 ing that meet the standards set out in (a) of this section.

14 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).
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STATE OF ALASKA
1990 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL VERSION: SB 533 (2)
PUBLISH DATE: 4/24/90

REQUEST: FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date: Agency Affected: DOT&PF
Title: An Act relating to food and housing workers of remote construction sites on public construction projects; and providing for and effective date. BRU: Design & Construction
Sponsor: Labor and Commerce Committee Components:
Requestor: Labor and Commerce Committee

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTURAL	60	60	60	60	60	60
SUPPLIES	0	0	0	0	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0	0	0	0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL OPERATING	60	60	60	60	60	60
CAPITAL	240	240	240	240	240	240
REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0


FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	300	300	300	300	300	300
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	300	300	300	300	300	300

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
PART-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

ANALYSIS: The fiscal note is based on assuming an average of \$0.5 million per year of general fund dollars are spent on maintenance projects which would be affected and another \$2.0 million in general fund capital projects. To these amounts an average camp cost of 12% was applied. In addition, on federal-aid highway and aviation work, based upon the proposed program for the next six years a cost of \$4.0 million per year is anticipated. This would subtract from the buying power of our capital budget, but would not add new costs.

Prepared by: Jeffery C. Ottesen
Division: Engineering and Operations Standards
Approved by Commissioner: 
Agency: Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

Phone: 465-2960
Date: April 4, 1990
Date: 4/4/90

Distribution (by preparer):
Legislative Finance
Legislative Sponsor
Requestor
Office of Management and Budget
Impacted Agency(ies)

STATE OF ALASKA
1990 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL VERSION: SB 533 (b)
PUBLISH DATE: 4-24-90

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____ Agency Affected: Labor
 Title: "An Act relating to food and housing for construction workers..." BRU: Labor Standards & Safety
 Sponsor: Senate Labor & Commerce Components: _____
 Requestor: Senate Labor & Commerce Occupational Safety & Health

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
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GRANTS,CLAIMS						
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TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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GENERAL FUND						
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TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
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ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Note: There is no fiscal impact in FY'90.

Prepared by: Tom Stuart, Director Phone: 465-4855
 Division: Labor Standards & Safety Date: 3/30/90
 Approved by Commissioner: Jim Sampson Date: 3/30/90
 Agency: Department of Labor

Distribution (by preparer) :
 Legislative Finance
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SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 5/1/90

FURTHER:

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: _____

The Finance Committee considered

SB 536

"An Act making a special appropriation to the Department of Natural Resources for the purchase of the inholdings of the Seldovia Native Association, and the timber rights of the Timber Trading Company, within the Kachemak Bay State Park; and providing for an effective date."

and recommended:

- replace with _____ CS _____
 or adopt _____ CS _____
 attached amendment(s)
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Bill died in committee.

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):
Dept/Date:

fiscal note(s) _____

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appropriation-no fiscal note

SIGNING DO PASS:

APPROVES PREVIOUS:

Dept/Date:

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OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

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Co-Chairs: Signatures and Recommendations

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 4/26/90

FURTHER: Finance

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: 4/30/90

Resources

Committee considered

SB 536

Special appropriation to the Dept of Natural Resources for the purchase of the inholdings of the Seldovia Native Association, timber rights of the Timber Trading Company, within the Kachemak Bay State Park; efd.

and recommended:

and report by back as follows

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- [] replace with CS
[] or adopt CS

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[] technical title change (HB only)

- [] attached amendment(s)
[] letter of intent adopted

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[] fiscal note(s) Dept/Date:

[] zero fiscal note(s)

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[x] Governor's bill w/fiscal note

SIGNING DO PASS:

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Handwritten signatures for signing do pass.

Handwritten notes for other recommendations.

Chair: Signature and Recommendation

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT
FIRST COMMITTEE OF REFERRAL

DATE: 3/28/90

FURTHER: Resources Finance

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Date of 5-Day Notice: 3/29/90
(in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: 4/26/90

Labor and Commerce

Committee considered

SB 536

Special appropriation to the Dept. of Natural Resources for the purchase of the inholdings of the Seldovia Native Association, and the timber rights of the Timber Trading Company, within the Kachemak Bay State Park; efd.

and recommended: ^{and a majority of the committee recommends} ~~do pass~~ *it be up*

replace with _____ CS SB 536 (L+C) same title
 attached amendment(s) and do pass new title

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ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department(s)/Date: _____

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SIGNING DO PASS:

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

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should be brought at critical
Time, probably within 20 yrs.*

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Chair: Signature and Recommendation

Offered: 4/26/90
Referred: Resources and Finance

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Funding Information: General Fund \$20,000,000
Other Funds -0-
\$20,000,000

Original sponsor(s): Rules/Governor

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE LABOR & COMMERCE COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 536 (L&C)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act making special appropriations to the Depart-
7 ment of Natural Resources for the purchase of the
8 inholdings of the Seldovia Native Association, and
9 the timber rights of the Timber Trading Company,
10 within the Kachemak Bay State Park; and providing for
11 an effective date."

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

13 * Section 1. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS. The legislature finds that the
14 Kachemak Bay State Park is an important scenic and recreational area and
15 that the inholdings within the park, if developed, would seriously compro-
16 mise the integrity of the existing park land. The legislature finds,
17 therefore, that it is in the interest of the state to acquire the inhold-
18 ings of the Seldovia Native Association, and the timber rights of the
19 Timber Trading Company, within the Kachemak Bay State Park.

20 * Sec. 2. The sum of \$15,490,000 is appropriated from the general fund
21 to the Department of Natural Resources for the purchase of the inholdings
22 of the Seldovia Native Association within the Kachemak Bay State Park, and
23 the sum of \$4,510,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the
24 Department of Natural Resources for the purchase of the timber rights of
25 the Timber Trading Company within the Kachemak Bay State Park, for the in-
26 holdings and timber rights as identified in the Preliminary Exchange
27 Agreement dated June 30, 1989, as amended as of the effective date of this
28 Act, between the state, the Seldovia Native Association, and the Timber
29 Trading Company.

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CSSB 536(L&C)

COMMITTEE COPY

1 * Sec. 3. The unexpended and unobligated balances of the appropriations
2 made by this Act lapse into the general fund December 31, 1990.

3 * Sec. 4. This Act takes effect July 1, 1990.
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Referred. L&C, Resources and Finance

Funding Information: General Fund \$17,820,000
Other Funds -0-
\$17,820,000

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 536

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act making a special appropriation to the Depart-
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17 therefore, that it is in the interest of the state to acquire the inhold-
18 ings of the Seldovia Native Association, and the timber rights of the
19 Timber Trading Company, within the Kachemak Bay State Park.

20 (b) The legislature further finds that the value, to the state, of
21 the Seldovia Native Association's inholdings, and the timber rights of the
22 Timber Trading Company, within Kachemak Bay State Park is \$17,820,000.

23 * Sec. 2. The sum of \$17,820,000 is appropriated from the general fund
24 to the Department of Natural Resources for the purchase of the inholdings
25 of the Seldovia Native Association, and the timber rights of the Timber
26 Trading Company, within the Kachemak Bay State Park as identified in the
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STEVE COWPER
GOVERNOR



STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
JUNEAU

The Honorable Tim Kelly
President of the Senate
Alaska State Legislature
P.O. Box V
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Mr. President:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill that enables the state to acquire 37 square miles of inholdings within Kachemak Bay State Park. The bill appropriates \$17,820,000 to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to purchase all of Seldovia Native Association's land and Timber Trading Company's timber on this land in the park.

For 15 years the state has been working on various land exchange proposals to acquire Seldovia Native Association's (SNA) 24,000 acres of inholdings that are within Kachemak Bay State Park. The land was state-owned when the park was established in 1970, but then it was subsequently acquired by SNA under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971. In 1987, the timber on a portion of SNA's land was sold to Timber Trading Company (TTC), a subsidiary of Koncor Forest Products.

This 24,000-acre parcel lies south and east of China Poot Bay, extending south to Sadie Cove. This land is in the center of Kachemak Bay State Park. China Poot Bay has high fish and wildlife habitat values. The land owned by SNA has high recreation and scenic values and lies directly across Kachemak Bay from Homer.

Commercial recreation development and timber harvest have been proposed on this land. Acquisition of SNA's land is crucial to protect the public recreation, wildlife, and scenic values of the park. Since October 1988, DNR, SNA and TTC have been actively involved in developing a land exchange. DNR was working towards separate exchanges with SNA for the land and TTC for the timber rights. Consistent with Alaska Statutes 38.50, we had intended to submit a final exchange agreement to the Legislature for approval this session. Efforts to develop a final exchange agreement were slowed because of significant disagreements over the appraised value of the land.

An appraiser hired by SNA arrived at two different values of SNA's land in the park -- \$22.7 million and \$25.6 million. We disagreed with both appraisals because the appraiser used only parkland as comparable properties to set the value of SNA land. The appraiser made few adjustments to comparables to address differences in size, location, and date of sale. DNR contracted for an independent appraisal that valued the land at \$12 million, which SNA disagreed with.

In February, DNR established an appraisal review panel to render their opinion of the value of SNA's land. The panel concluded the value of SNA's land, with the timber still in place, is \$17,820,000. Assuming that the timber was cut on a portion of the land, the panel arrived at values for SNA's land that ranged from \$11.62 to \$15.49 million.

On February 28, after an exchange of offers, DNR offered SNA \$15.49 million, the highest value the panel arrived at assuming the timber was harvested on a portion of the land. SNA rejected this value unless the state was willing to pay the full value in cash. SNA would agree to a land exchange only if the state agreed to pay a higher value for SNA's land. DNR refused to consider an exchange that valued SNA's land higher than \$15.49 million because appraisals have not substantiated a higher value.

We agree that \$17.82 million is an acceptable value for SNA's land. This is at the high end of the appraised values, but this is a difficult parcel to appraise. This value should be the same whether SNA's land is acquired by exchange or through a cash purchase.

I support a cash purchase recognizing that past land trade efforts failed, in part, due to differing opinions of the value of SNA's land. SNA will not negotiate an exchange that is based on fair market value, but is willing to sell its land for cash at fair market value.

I request that the legislature appropriate the funds to purchase SNA's land and TTC's timber. The amount of time, effort, and money spent by the state, SNA, and the people of Alaska over fifteen years demonstrates that there is public support for making Kachemak Bay State Park whole. The length of time further demonstrates how difficult it has been to reach an agreement such as the one represented by this bill. I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,



Steve Cowper
Governor

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Alaska State Legislature

Senate

Office of the Secretary

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

P.O. BOX V
CAPITOL BUILDING
JUNEAU, ALASKA 99811

FOR YOUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION

DATE: ~~April 15, 1990~~

TO SENATE COMMITTEE: Senate Finance

FROM: Office of the Senate Secretary

The Chairman of the above-referenced Committee has ~~referred~~ ^{withdrawn} the
Committee ~~referral on the following~~ bill(s):

~~SENATE BILL NO. 538~~

Cost-of-living increases for certain public assistance programs; efd.

Bill Withdrawn

Please give the bill file(s) to the page delivering this message
~~for forwarding to the next Committee of referral.~~

Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

JR/s

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

1 IN THE SENATE

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SENATE BILL NO. 538

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to cost-of-living increases for
7 certain public assistance programs; and providing for
8 an effective date."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 47.25.320(d) is repealed and reenacted to read:

11 (d) On July 1 of each year, the department may, subject to the
12 availability of funds on July 1 that are appropriated specifically for
13 the purpose of increasing the monetary maximums in (a) of this sec-
14 tion, increase the monetary maximums in (a) of this section by a
15 percentage equal to the percentage increase in the Consumer Price
16 Index for Urban Consumers All Items for Anchorage, Alaska, during the
17 previous calendar year as determined by the United States Department
18 of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

19 * Sec. 2. AS 47.25.430(b) is amended to read:

20 (b) The department shall determine the amount of assistance with
21 regard to the resources and needs of the person and the conditions
22 existing in each case. Assistance shall be in an amount that will
23 provide the applicant with reasonable subsistence compatible with
24 decency and health in accordance with standards established by the
25 department and with the standards established under 42 U.S.C. 1381 -
26 1385 (Title XVI, Social Security Act Supplemental Security Income
27 Program). When benefit amounts under 42 U.S.C. 1381 - 1385 are in-
28 creased as a result of an increase in the cost of living, the state
29 shall pass along the increase to recipients and, on July 1 of each

CORRECTION

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HAS BEEN REPHOTOGRAPHED
TO ASSURE LEGIBILITY**

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

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SENATE BILL NO. 538

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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5 percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for Urban Consumers
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7 determined by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor
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9 IN THE BENEFIT AMOUNTS UNDER 42 U.S.C. 1381 - 1385]. Direct payments
10 for medical services and remedial care may not be considered in deter-
11 mining the maximum amount payable.

12 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect July 1, 1990.

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____
Title: An Act relating to cost-of-living increases for certain PA programs.

Agency Affected: Health & Social Services
BRU: Assistance Payments BRU

Sponsor: _____
Requestor: _____

Components: AFDC and Adult Public Assistance

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS	634.0	(657.0)	(2063.0)	(3543.0)	(5090.0)	(6851.0)
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	634.0	(657.0)	(2063.0)	(3543.0)	(5090.0)	(6851.0)
CAPITAL						
REVENUE						

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	398.5	(413.0)	(1264.5)	(2174.0)	(3138.5)	(4188.5)
FEDERAL FUNDS	235.0	(244.0)	(798.5)	(1369.0)	(1951.5)	(2662.5)
OTHER						
TOTAL	634.0	(657.0)	(2063.0)	(3543.0)	(5090.0)	(6851.0)

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
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ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

No Fiscal Impact in FY90.

See Attached

Prepared by: John R. Taber, Director
Division: Public Assistance

Phone: 465-3347
Date: 4/2/90

Approved by Commissioner: _____
Agency: Department of Health & Social Services

Date: _____

Distribution (by preparer):

- Legislative Finance
- Legislative Sponsor
- Requestor
- Office of Management and Budget
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Department of Health and Social Services

Division of Public Assistance

The Division of Public Assistance administers two assistance programs which have statutory provisions for annual cost-of-living payment increases: Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) and Adult Public Assistance (APA). Under existing statutes, benefit levels for both of these entitlement programs are increased by the same percentage as any cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) in the federal Supplemental Security Income program. These benefit adjustments are made in January of each year.

The proposed legislation provides for a cost-of-living adjustment in both the AFDC and APA programs equal to the percentage increase in the CPI for urban consumers all items for Anchorage, Alaska, during the previous calendar year. The benefit adjustments would be implemented on July 1, of each year.

Assumptions used in fiscal note calculation

1. The Federal SSI COLA will average 4.0% (actual SSI COLA average in the last eight years)
2. The Anchorage CPI will average 2.7% (actual average CPI increase in the last eight years)
3. AFDC and APA program caseload constant FY93-FY96
4. First adjustment under SB 538 will be on July 1, 1990, and on each July 1 thereafter using the Anchorage CPI
5. Legislature will fund the COLA each year
6. Projected costs under existing law based on January 1, COLA adjustments and equal to federal SSI increase

Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) Program

Currently maximum benefit levels are set by AS 47.25.320(a). These benefit levels vary according to the size and composition of the assisted family. In accordance with AS 47.25.320(d), AFDC benefits (funded 50 percent General Fund, 50 percent federal match) are adjusted upward in January of each year by the same percentage as the federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program cost-of-living adjustment.

This fiscal note estimates the FY91-FY96 formula difference between an annual adjustment each July 1 using an estimated ANCH CPI factor of 2.7% vs. an annual adjustment each January 1 using an estimated federal SSI COLA factor of 4.0%.

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	<u>FY91</u>	<u>FY92</u>	<u>FY93</u>	<u>FY94</u>	<u>FY95</u>	<u>FY96</u>
Total difference between ANCH CPI (Jul 1) and estimated SSI (Jan 1)	471.0	(488.0)	(1597.0)	(2738.0)	(3903.0)	(5325.0)
Funding Source						
Federal	235.5	(244.0)	(798.5)	(1369.0)	(1951.5)	(2662.5)
GF	235.5	(244.0)	(798.5)	(1369.0)	(1951.5)	(2662.5)

Adult Public Assistance

Adult Public Assistance payment levels are set in regulation at 7 AAC 40.310, as authorized by AS 47.25.430(b). These benefit levels vary according to the composition of the household and the type of living arrangement. Current statute at AS 47.25.430(b), provide for COLA adjustments at the same percentage as the SSI program. APA payments are funded with 100 percent General Fund monies.

The APA program is essentially supplemental to federal Social Security and SSI benefits; APA applicants are required to apply for payments from the Social Security Administration, and nearly all APA recipients receive federal payments which are subtracted from the APA maximum payment standard to determine the amount of their APA payments. Under current state law, both federal benefit levels and APA benefit levels are adjusted concurrently each January.

Senate Bill No. 538 continues to pass along the Federal increase allowed in the federal SSI program each January, but increases the state supplemental contribution to recipient by a percentage equal to the CPI for Anchorage, Alaska on July 1, of each year.

The FY91-96 formula difference between an annual adjustment each July 1 using an estimated Anch CPI factor of 2.7% vs. an annual adjustment each January 1, using an estimated federal SSI COLA factor of 4.0% is as follows:

	<u>FY91</u>	<u>FY92</u>	<u>FY93</u>	<u>FY94</u>	<u>FY95</u>	<u>FY96</u>
TOTAL Difference (GF)	163.0	(169.0)	(466.0)	(805.0)	(1187.0)	(1526.0)

SB 538

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Re: SB 538 - "An act relating to
~~cost-of-living~~ increases for
certain Public Assistance
Programs; and providing for an
effective date."

Dear Senator Uehling and Senator Binkley:

I am opposed to SB 538 or any bill/amendment which repeals or changes the current cost-of-living (COLA) program for AFDC and APA recipients. 8,000 AFDC families, 3,838 disabled (including the chronically mentally ill), 3,385 elderly poor and 76 blind people would be negatively affected by the change. All of us would be hard pressed to live on \$716.00 per month which is the monthly allotment for a person on Adult Public Assistance. An AFDC family of three only receives a monthly allotment of \$846.00. The average COLA over the last 3 years was only 4%.

It is unconscionable to balance the budget on the backs of poor people. I do not understand why, in an effort to cut the budget, the group targeted is a group which is least able to advocate for themselves. Please do all you can to see that this bill or any form of it is not passed this session.

If you have any questions or desire further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 279-7541 or 272-0056.

Sincerely,

Nancy J. Groszek

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AFDC and APA

Adult Public Assistance and AFDC are the on! operating budget programs in Alaska which have automatic inflation adjustments.

According to a memo from John Tabor, Director of the Division of Public Assistance, dated May 2, 1989, Alaska is one of five states which have automatic COLA's for AFDC and Adult Public Assistance. The other four are California, Connecticut, Illinois, and Louisiana. Alaska is, however, the only state to use the U.S COLA. rather than the local cost-of-living.

Because of using the U.S. CPI, payments under AFDC are 14.2% higher and payments under APA are 16.2% higher than they would have been had the Anchorage CPI been used: in other words, measured in real dollars, recipients are about 15% better off now, in real dollar terms, than they were in 1980, because of the use of the U.S. CPI.

A second memo from John Tabor, dated February 20, 1990, compares Alaska payments with those of other Northwestern states. Some representative examples are as follows:

AFDC for 1 Adult and 1 Child:

Alaska	\$752
California	560
Washington	404
Oregon	369
Idaho	258

Alaska payments are between 34 and 191% higher than other nearby states. In addition to the AFDC program, there are other

forms of assistance available to recipients, such as Food Stamps, energy assistance (average of \$380 per client), child care, Medicaid, and other programs. Additionally, the state makes up any lost benefits which would otherwise occur because of the Permanent Fund Dividend.

Adult Public Assistance for an Individual, Living Independently:
(Note: this is the state supplement added to the standard \$386 payment from the Federal Government under SSI)

Alaska	\$331.00
California	244.00
Washington	7.55-28.00 (Geographic diff.)
Oregon	1.70
Idaho	73.00

There are other programs available to APA recipients, such as the Renter's Rebate Program, energy assistance (average of \$380 per client), Food Stamps, Medicaid, and other programs. Additionally, the state makes up any benefits which would otherwise be lost as a result of Longevity Bonuses or the Permanent Fund Dividend.

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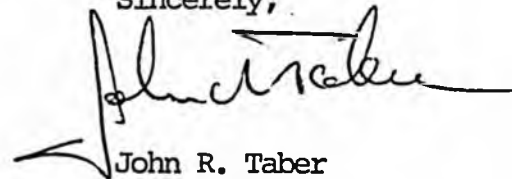
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Dear Senator Binkley:

The enclosed tables have been prepared by my staff in response to the request of the Senate Finance Committee for a parallel comparison of current Alaska eligibility and payment standards in the AFDC and Adult Public Assistance programs with those of other western states. Standards for Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and California are presented in a format which should facilitate your analysis.

Please let me know if we can provide any clarification or any additional information.

Sincerely,



John R. Taber
Director

Enclosures

cc: Myra M. Munson
Commissioner

AFDC PROGRAM

STANDARDS COMPARISON - BASED ON JANUARY, 1990 ELIGIBILITY/PAYMENT LEVELS

<u>STATE</u>	<u>QUALIFYING STANDARD</u>		<u>PAYMENT STANDARD</u>	
	<u>1 adult, 1 child</u>	<u>1 adult, 2 children</u>	<u>1 adult, 1 child</u>	<u>1 adult, 2 children</u>
Alaska	\$752	\$846	\$752	\$846
Washington	733	907	404	501
Oregon	369	432	369	432
Idaho	453	570	258	324
California	560	694	560	694

Note 1: Standards are statewide, for all states.

Note 2: All payments are funded at 50% Federal (Title IV-A), 50% state match.

ADULT PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM - STANDARDS COMPARISON

BASED ON JANUARY, 1990 ELIGIBILITY/PAYMENT LEVELS

Note: Adult Public Assistance payments are state-only payments which supplement Federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments to the needy aged, blind, and disabled.

<u>STATE</u>	<u>Living Arrangement</u>	<u>SSI Payment Standard</u>	<u>State Supplemental Payment Standard (1)</u>	<u>Total Max. Payment Standard (2)</u>
Alaska	Indiv., Independent Living	\$386	\$331	\$717
	Indiv., Another's Hsehd.	257.34	337	594
	Couple, Indep., Both Elig.	579	484	1063
	Cpl., Another's H H, Both Elig.	386	497	883
	Cpl., Indep., One Elig.	386	476	862
	Cpl., Anoth. H H, One Elig.	257.34	424	681
	Nursing Home Personal Needs	30	45	75

Note 1: If income after disregards exceeds SSI payment standard, no SSI payment is made and state payment is reduced by amount in excess of SSI standard.

Note 2: Total income after disregards must be less than total maximum payment standard to qualify for benefits.

	<u>Living Arrangement</u>	<u>SSI Payment Standard</u>	<u>State Supplemental Payment Standard (3)</u>	<u>Total Max. Payment Standard (3)</u>
Washington	Indiv., Independent Living	\$386	\$28/7.55	\$414/393.55
	Indiv., Another's H H	257.34	5.81	263.15
	Cpl., Indep., Both Elig.	579	22/0	601/579
	Cpl., Anoth. H H, Both Elig.	386	6.30	392.30
	Cpl., Indep., One Elig.	386	192/160.15	578/546.15
	Cpl., Anoth. H H, One Elig.	257.34	119.63	376.97
	Nursing Home Personal Needs	30	11.62	41.62

Note 3: Where two standards are shown for a category, two different standards exist for different geographic areas.

<u>STATE</u>	<u>Living Arrangement</u>	<u>SSI Payment Standard</u>	<u>State Supplemental Payment Standard (4)</u>	<u>Total Max. Payment Standard (4)</u>
Oregon -	Indiv., Independent Living	\$386	\$1.70	\$387.70
	Indiv., Another's Household	257.34	1.70	259.04
	Cpl., Indep., Both Elig.	579	-0-	579.00
	Cpl., Anoth. H H, Both Elig.	386	-0-	386
	Cpl., Indep., One Elig.,	386	1.70	387.70
	Cpl., Anoth. H H, One Elig.	257.34	1.70	259.04
	Nursing Home Personal Needs	30	NA	30

Note 4: \$25.00 is added if a blind person is included.

	<u>Living Arrangement</u>	<u>SSI Payment Standard</u>	<u>State Supplemental Payment Standard (5)</u>	<u>Total Max. Payment Standard (5)</u>
Idaho -	Indiv., Independent Living	\$386	\$ 73	\$439
	Indiv., Another's Household	257.34	201.66	439
	Cpl., Indep., Both Elig.	579	45	604
	Cpl., Anoth. H H, Both Elig.	386	238	604
	Cpl., Indep., One Elig.	386	73	439
	Cpl., Anoth. H H, One Elig.	257.34	201.66	439
	Nursing Home Personal Needs	30	NA	30

Note 5: Idaho has additional, separate standards for persons in additional living arrangements: room and board facility; licensed shelter home; unlicensed shelter home; adult foster home; specialized shelter home.

Idaho subtracts \$20 from all income, including SSI payments

<u>STATE</u>	<u>Living Arrangement</u>	<u>SSI Payment Standard</u>	<u>State Supplemental Payment Standard (6)</u>	<u>Total Max. Payment Standard (6)</u>
California	Individual, Independent	\$386	\$244	\$630
	Indiv., Another's H H	257.34	244	501
	Cpl., Indep., Both Elig.	579	588	1167
	Cpl., Anoth. H H, Both Elig.	386	588	974
	Cpl., Indep., One Elig.	386	244	630
	Cpl., Anoth. H H, One Elig.	257.34	244	501
	Nursing Home Personal Needs	30	12	42

Note 6: California has higher payment standards for the blind, and separate standards for persons in additional living arrangements: Nonmedical out-of-home care; living independently without cooking facilities; disabled minor in home of parent; disabled minor in the household of another.

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Attn: Tom Bergstrom

Dear Senator Binkley:

You requested information regarding other states' statutory provisions for annual cost-of-living adjustments to AFDC benefit levels. The enclosed information, extracted from an analysis of AFDC benefit levels prepared by The Center for Welfare Policy and Law in March, 1988, provides information about this issue. Enclosure #1 shows that eleven states annually index their standards of need and/or benefit levels in the AFDC program - and that Alaska is among five states which have statutory provisions for annual indexation of benefit levels.

I have also enclosed a listing (Enclosure #2) showing when, as of March 1, 1988, all of the states had last adjusted their AFDC benefit levels and need standards. What is not evident from either enclosure is that many states which do not have statutory provision for automatic indexing have tended to adjust their benefit levels annually in response to cost-of-living increases even though not required to do so under state statutes. These states include Maine, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Kansas, Maryland, Massachusetts, Oregon, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

I hope that this satisfies your need for information on this issue. Please let me know if you need any additional materials or any clarification of what is presented here.

Sincerely,

John R. Taber
Director

Enclosures

Enclosure #1

This is one of 11 states where annual indexing of needs standards and/or benefit levels, that is, annual adjustment to reflect cost-of-living increases, is statutorily required. These states are:

Alaska	standards adjusted January 1 based on Title II cola
California	standards adjusted July 1 based on California Necessities Index
Connecticut	standards adjusted July 1 based on CPI
Dist of Columbia	benefit levels adjusted October 1 based on CPI
Illinois	needs standards alone adjusted in January based on CPI
Louisiana	needs standards alone adjusted in January based on CPI
Ohio	needs standards alone adjusted in July to equal 89% of the HHS poverty income guidelines
South Carolina	needs standards alone adjusted in July to equal 50% of the HHS poverty income guidelines
Tennessee	needs standards adjusted in July on basis selected by state agency, state law requires that maximum payment be set at at least 45% of the standard of need
Vermont	needs standards alone adjusted in July based on CPI
Washington	needs standards alone updated about every four or five years based on an actual cost of living survey with annual adjustments in July of each interim year based on the CPI

DATE OF STATES' LAST ADJUSTMENTS IN AFDC STANDARDS*

Prepared by the Center on Social Welfare Policy and Law

Benefit Level Adjustment				Needs Standard Adjustment			
State	Date	State	Date	State	Date	State	Date
Alaska	1/1/88	Oregon	7/1/87	Utah	3/1/88	Oregon	7/1/87
Colorado	1/1/88	Rhode Island	7/1/87	Alaska	1/1/88	Rhode Island	7/1/87
Florida	1/1/88	South Carolina	7/1/87	Hawaii	1/1/88	South Carolina	7/1/87
Hawaii	1/1/88	Tennessee	7/1/87	Illinois	1/1/88	Tennessee	7/1/87
Maine	1/1/88	Vermont	7/1/87	Louisiana	1/1/88	Vermont	7/1/87
Michigan	1/1/88	Ohio	2/1/87	Maine	1/1/88	Florida	6/1/87
New York	1/1/88	Illinois	1/1/87	Michigan	1/1/88	D. of Columbia	10/1/86
North Carolina	1/1/88	Minnesota	7/1/86	New York	1/1/88	Minnesota	7/1/86
Pennsylvania	1/1/88	South Dakota	7/1/86	North Carolina	1/1/88	Mississippi	7/1/86
Kentucky	12/1/87	Washington	7/1/86	Pennsylvania	1/1/88	South Dakota	7/1/86
Delaware	10/1/87	Arizona	1/1/86	Kentucky	12/1/87	Arizona	1/1/86
D. of Columbia	10/1/87	Iowa	1/1/86	Washington	12/1/87	Oklahoma	11/1/85
Nevada	10/1/87	Oklahoma	11/1/85	Delaware	10/1/87	Texas	9/1/85
New Hampshire	10/1/87	Texas	9/1/85	Nevada	10/1/87	Virginia	7/1/85
Wisconsin	9/1/87	Mississippi	7/1/85	New Hampshire	10/1/87	West Virginia	7/1/85
Arkansas	7/1/87	Virginia	7/1/85	Wisconsin	9/1/87	North Dakota	10/1/84
California	7/1/87	West Virginia	7/1/85	Arkansas	7/1/87	Colorado	7/1/84
Connecticut	7/1/87	Utah	5/1/85	California	7/1/87	Iowa	7/1/84
Georgia	7/1/87	North Dakota	10/1/84	Connecticut	7/1/87	Wyoming	7/1/84
Indiana	7/1/87	Wyoming	7/1/84	Indiana	7/1/87	Alabama	10/1/81
Kansas	7/1/87	Virgin Islands	7/1/83	Kansas	7/1/87	Georgia	10/1/81
Maryland	7/1/87	Puerto Rico	11/1/81	Maryland	7/1/87	Idaho	7/1/81
Massachusetts	7/1/87	Louisiana	8/1/81	Massachusetts	7/1/87	Nebraska	7/1/81
Missouri	7/1/87	Idaho	7/1/81	Montano	7/1/87	Puerto Rico	10/1/80
Montana	7/1/87	Nebraska	7/1/81	New Jersey	7/1/87	Virgin Islands	4/1/80
New Jersey	7/1/87	Guam	pre '79	New Mexico	7/1/87	Missouri	2/16/76
New Mexico	7/1/87	Alabama	12/1/76	Ohio	7/1/87	Guam	10/1/72

* In most instances the dates appearing below reflect the dates on which the state last increased its standards. However, there are two states that are exceptions to this rule: 1) the 9/1/87 entries for Wisconsin reflect the date that state reduced its standards and 2) the 3/1/88 entry for Utah in the second listing reflects the date that state reduced its needs standards. In addition, the 7/1/84 entries for Wyoming reflect the date that state restored its standards to their 7/1/82 levels following a prior reduction.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Basis of information about AFDC benefit levels and needs standards

Information with respect to state AFDC needs standards and benefit levels was compiled by means of a telephone survey of state welfare officials.

Meaning of the term "states"

Generally, a reference to "states" in the narrative or the tables includes 54 jurisdictions: the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and the 50 states. Whenever one or all of these jurisdictions is not included in a table or in a textual reference, that fact is noted.

Meaning of the terms "AFDC needs standard" or "needs standard"

The AFDC needs standard in a state is the amount used by the state to determine whether a family is eligible for any aid. In theory, this standard of need represents the amount the state considers necessary to obtain basic living items such as food, clothing, and shelter, without any allowance for medical costs. There is no requirement that the state base the standard of need on any realistic assessment of the cost of basic needs items, however. In addition, a state is not required to use the amount in the needs standard to determine the actual payment a family will receive and many states do not.

Meaning of the terms "AFDC benefits" or "AFDC benefit level"

The amount that we characterize as the AFDC benefit or AFDC benefit level is the payment that would be made by the state to a family without any other nonassistance income. As illustrated in Table I, this is usually less than the amount set in the needs standard. Of the 35 states that "pay less than full need", 26 subtract income from a "payment standard" that is less than the needs standard and pay some or all of the difference between income and that payment standard. The other 9 are "fill the gap" states, which means they subtract income from the needs standard and pay a portion of the difference. Colorado, Indiana, North Carolina and South Carolina pay a percentage of the difference between the needs standard and countable income. Maine, Tennessee and Utah pay the deficit up to a percentage of the needs standard. Georgia pays the deficit up to a maximum that varies by family size. Mississippi pays a percentage of the deficit up to a maximum that varies by family size.

Basis for food stamp calculations

For areas other than Guam and the Virgin Islands, the amount we have used as the Food Stamp benefit for a particular family size is the dollar value of the stamps that would be provided to such a family if it had no income other than the AFDC benefit shown in column 2, did not live with others and qualified for an excess shelter deduction of \$80. (\$80 is the average of all shelter deductions allowed for AFDC and GA households in the summer of 1985, including those households with a zero deduction.)

Families claiming an excess shelter deduction of more than \$80 might be eligible for a larger food stamp benefit than the amount we used. (March '88 maximum allowable excess shelter deductions were \$164 in the 48 states and D.C., \$285 in Alaska, \$234 in Hawaii, \$199 in Guam, \$121 in Virgin Islands.)

EXPLANATORY NOTES (cont'd)

The amount used as the Food Stamp benefit for Guam and the Virgin Islands does not allow for a shelter deduction because of insufficient data on shelter costs in those areas. Therefore, these estimates may somewhat underestimate the food stamp benefits available.

No food stamp benefits are shown for Puerto Rico because we could not obtain information about the cash payments now provided in lieu of stamps.

No food stamp benefits are shown for AFDC child only units since those children would usually be part of a larger household for food stamp purposes.

Meaning of the percentage of poverty figures

The poverty measurement used is the federal poverty income guidelines published by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the 48 contiguous states and D.C. in February 1988, which are usually also used for Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands -- \$807.50 per month (\$9690/year) for a family of 3. (These figures reflect cost-of-living increases through December 1987.) The figures for Alaska and Hawaii are \$1009.17 and \$929.17 per month, respectively.

The percentage shown in Table I as the "% of poverty" shows the relationship between the total of the AFDC and Food Stamp benefit amounts payable to a family and the amounts in the federal poverty income guidelines.

No "% of poverty" information is shown for child only units or for Puerto Rico because we do not have food stamp information for those entries.

Meaning of the term "standard" or "standards"

These materials provide information about states' AFDC benefit levels and needs standards. Where we are referring to only one of these items, we use the terms "benefit levels" or "needs standards". Where we are noting information common to both we use the term "standard" or "standards".

Meaning of the terms "family" and "assistance unit"

Generally, eligibility for and the amount of assistance provided under AFDC depend on the number of individuals in the home who are included in the application for aid. This grouping may or may not be the same as the number of persons in the household or the number of people in the household who might generally be referred to as the family. In these materials we use the term "family" and "assistance unit" interchangeably. Both denote only the members of the household who are receiving AFDC as one unit.

Significance of "child only" entries in Table I

These entries identify and provide information about those states which vary their needs standards and benefit levels by both the size of the assistance unit and the presence or absence of adults in the unit. Some of these states use two standards for each family size -- one for an assistance unit consisting only of children, a second for a unit with children and

EXPLANATORY NOTES (cont'd)

adults. Others use three -- one for an assistance unit consisting only of children, a second for a unit with children and one adult, and a third for units that include a child(ren) and two adults.

Where a state uses two standards, the amounts for child only units are shown as "child only" and the amounts for units with children and adults are shown as "with adult(s)".

Where a state uses three standards, there are two separate entries for units that include both children and adults -- "one adult" and "two adults". For example, the family of three information for Texas shows the needs standards and benefit levels that apply to a) an assistance unit consisting of three children -- "child only", b) an assistance unit consisting of one adult and two children -- "one adult", and (c) an assistance unit consisting of two adults and one child -- "two adults".

Standards used for the Summary and Tables II through VI

The Summary Of Findings and Tables II through VI set out various analyses based on the state AFDC standards. For these purposes, we have used only one amount for each state even if the entries in Table I show more than one needs standard or more than one benefit level for a state.

Where a unitary standard is shown in Table I, that standard has been used in the summary and the remaining tables. Where a state has separate standards for child only units and units with one or more adults, we have used the standards that apply to assistance units that include children and one adult for the summary and Tables II through VI. Where a state has or had separate standards for the winter and nonwinter months, we have used an amount equal to the average of these two standards as the basis for the summary and Tables II through VI.

Significance of median income as a measure of poverty

Table V shows the relationship between benefits and a state's median income. For a discussion of the merits of using median income as a relative measure of poverty, see: "Background Materials on Poverty", Subcommittee on Oversight and Subcommittee on Public Assistance and Unemployment Compensation of the House Committee on Ways and Means, WMCP 98-15, 10/17/83, p.116; "The Measure of Poverty: Technical Papers XIII and XIV, Relative Poverty and Relative Measure of Poverty", HEW, 1976; "All Our Children", The Carnegie Council on Children, 1977.

Rounding of figures

The dollar amounts in Tables III and V have been rounded. All dollar amounts of more than \$1.00 have been rounded to the nearest dollar. Percentages in these tables are carried out to one decimal place and rounded to the nearest tenth.

DIVISION OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

ANCHORAGE CPI vs. SSA COLA

Since July 1, 1980 AFDC and APA need standards and maximum payment levels have been automatically increased annually by the same percentage as Social Security and SSI benefits increase. Listed below are the SSI COLA increases and AFDC maximum payment levels for an adult and two children and an Adult Public Assistance (APA) client in Alaska. This information is compared to a maximum payment series for the same family using the Anchorage CPI over the same period. In each series the COLA factor used is the actual inflation in a period preceding the actual implementation date.

AFDC Family of Three

Effective Date COLA Implemented	ACTUAL STANDARD		STANDARD WITH ANCH CPI		Payment Difference	Percent Difference
	SSI COLA	AFDC Standard	ANCH CPI	AFDC Standard		
July 1, 1980	14.3%	\$457	10.4%	\$441	\$16	3.5%
Jan 1, 1981 Stand Chg	\$57	514	\$57	498	16	3.2%
July 1, 1981	11.2%	571	10.2%	548	23	4.0%
July 1, 1982	7.4%	614	8.1%	592	22	3.6%
Jan 1, 1983 Stand Chg	\$60	674	\$60	652	22	3.3%
Jan 1, 1984	3.5%	696	1.8%	663	33	4.7%
Jan 1, 1985	3.5%	719	4.1%	690	29	4.1%
Jan 1, 1986	3.1%	740	2.4%	706	34	4.6%
Jan 1, 1987	1.3%	749	1.9%	719	30	4.0%
Jan 1, 1988	4.2%	779	.4%	722	57	7.3%
Jan 1, 1989	4.0%	809	.4%	725	84	10.4%
Jan 1, 1990	4.7%	846	2.3%	741	105	12.5%

APA Client Single, Independent Living Standard

Effective Date COLA Implemented	ACTUAL STANDARD		STANDARD WITH ANCH CPI		Payment Difference	Percent Difference
	SSI COLA	APA Standard	ANCH CPI	APA Standard		
July 1, 1980	14.3%	\$473	10.4%	\$457	\$16	3.4%
July 1, 1981	11.2%	526	10.2%	504	22	4.2%
*July 1, 1982	7.4%		8.1%			
*Jan 1, 1983	*	546	*	524	22	4.2%
Jan 1, 1984	3.5%	566	1.8%	533	33	5.8%
Jan 1, 1985	3.5%	586	4.1%	555	31	5.3%
Jan 1, 1986	3.1%	604	2.4%	568	36	6.0%
*July 1, 1986 Wasky Suit	\$19	623	\$19	587	36	5.8%
Jan 1, 1987	1.3%	631	1.9%	598	33	5.3%
Jan 1, 1988	4.2%	658	.4%	600	58	8.8%
Jan 1, 1989	4.0%	684	.4%	602	82	12.0%
Jan 1, 1990	4.7%	716	2.3%	616	100	14.0%

*In FY83 the APA standard and maximum payments were integrated to a single standard. Prior to FY83 a payment differential of \$100 existed between a two tier standard.

**CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES
PACIFIC CITIES AND U. S. CITY AVERAGE**

**ALL ITEMS INDEXES
(1982=100 unless otherwise noted)
JANUARY 1990 AND 2ND HALF 1989**

MONTHLY DATA	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS						URBAN WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS					
	INDEXES			PERCENT CHANGE			INDEXES			PERCENT CHANGE		
	JAN. 1989	DEC. 1989	JAN. 1990	DEC. 1989	JAN. 1990	JAN. 1990	JAN. 1989	DEC. 1989	JAN. 1990	DEC. 1989	JAN. 1990	JAN. 1990
U. S. City Average.....	121.1	124.1	127.4	4.6	3.2	1.0	119.7	124.4	125.9	4.3	3.2	1.0
(1967=100).....	342.7	377.6	381.3	-	-	-	336.7	371.1	375.0	-	-	-
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside..	124.4	130.4	132.1	5.2	4.0	1.1	121.4	127.0	128.3	4.9	3.8	1.2
(1967=100).....	348.2	385.8	390.3	-	-	-	358.9	375.3	379.7	-	-	-
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose..	124.0	127.4	128.3	3.9	3.4	0.9	122.8	124.4	127.4	4.2	3.9	0.8
(1967=100).....	381.2	391.7	395.1	-	-	-	374.0	383.3	388.4	-	-	-
West	121.7	126.8	127.8	4.9	3.0	0.8	120.3	123.3	124.3	4.3	3.0	0.8
(Dec. 1977 = 100)	194.7	203.0	204.4	-	-	-	193.4	201.7	203.3	-	-	-
West - A	123.3	128.3	129.3	4.7	3.0	0.9	120.5	123.4	126.4	4.8	3.1	1.0
(Dec. 1977 = 100)	201.0	209.2	211.2	-	-	-	193.0	203.0	204.9	-	-	-
West - C	119.8	123.3	123.4	3.3	4.7	0.1	119.3	124.4	124.4	5.1	4.4	0.2
(Dec. 1977 = 100)	185.8	194.4	194.3	-	-	-	183.9	191.8	192.1	-	-	-

SEMIANNUAL DATA	INDEXES			PERCENT CHANGE TO			INDEXES			PERCENT CHANGE TO		
	2ND HALF 1988	1ST HALF 1989	2ND HALF 1989	2ND HALF 1988	1ST HALF 1989	2ND HALF 1989	2ND HALF 1988	1ST HALF 1989	2ND HALF 1988	1ST HALF 1989	2ND HALF 1989	
	Anchorage	108.9	110.9	112.5	3.3	1.4	-	108.5	110.5	112.1	3.3	1.4
(Oct. 1967=100).....	290.7	294.1	300.2	-	-	-	282.4	287.5	291.8	-	-	
Honolulu	123.4	126.4	131.1	6.2	3.7	-	124.5	127.4	132.0	4.0	3.6	
(1967=100).....	339.8	347.9	360.9	-	-	-	347.8	353.9	368.9	-	-	
Portland	115.9	119.3	121.6	4.9	1.9	-	113.0	116.4	118.7	5.0	2.0	
(1967=100).....	339.1	349.2	355.9	-	-	-	325.9	333.6	342.2	-	-	
San Diego	123.0	128.9	132.3	5.8	2.6	-	118.0	122.0	123.0	3.9	2.3	
(1967=100).....	422.3	435.8	447.3	-	-	-	380.3	393.3	403.2	-	-	
Seattle	113.8	116.7	119.4	3.1	2.3	-	112.0	114.7	117.4	5.0	2.3	
(1967=100).....	344.9	355.8	364.5	-	-	-	332.1	340.3	348.4	-	-	

Size classes: A = 1,250,000 and over, B = Not available for West, C = 50,000 to 330,000, D = Not available for West.

Release date February 21, 1990. Next release March 20, 1990. For more information call (415) 744-6600 or (213) 252-7521. CPI 24 hour hotline numbers for the Pacific cities are as follows:

San Francisco (415) 744-6605 Anchorage (907) 371-2770 Portland (503) 326-4132 Seattle (206) 442-0645
 Los Angeles (213) 252-7528 Honolulu (808) 541-2808 San Diego (619) 557-6338

FED guess on 1/1/91 COLA 4.5 - 5.2%
 (as of today 3/29/90)

ANCH CPI 1st half 1989 2.3%
 2nd half 1989 3.3%

1st half 1990

? (would be the rate DHS/DPA would use if statute change Right?)

FY91 Budget COLA factor used 3.6%

Table 9.F2.—Number and percentage distribution of blind and disabled persons under age 65 receiving federally administered payments and not transferred from prior State programs, by diagnostic group, age, and sex, December 1988
 (Based on 1-percent sample)

Diagnostic group	Total	Age							
		Under 10	10-17	18-21	22-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-64
Total									
Total.....	2,188,400	128,800	183,800	109,800	371,100	288,800	307,600	411,500	277,100
Diagnosis available, number.....	1,879,200	112,400	140,700	80,400	296,600	285,500	226,100	314,800	212,000
Diagnosis available, percent.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Infectious and parasitic diseases.....	1.0	.7	.4	...	.8	1.5	1.9	1.1	1.0
Neoplasms.....	1.9	3.2	2.3	2.0	.9	1.1	2.4	2.4	2.0
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases.....	4.2	2.3	1.1	1.3	.9	2.6	8.0	7.9	8.3
Diseases of blood and blood-forming organs.....	.7	2.3	1.8	.6	1.0	.9	.1	.3	.2
Mental disorders (other than mental retardation).....	24.9	8.0	7.9	12.9	24.0	41.3	38.8	24.9	15.3
Mental retardation.....	27.1	28.2	51.9	54.9	48.9	28.2	16.1	9.2	7.2
Diseases of—									
Nervous system and sense organs.....	12.4	29.1	21.8	17.4	14.1	9.9	9.1	7.6	6.7
Circulatory system.....	8.0	1.8	.8	.7	1.0	2.3	7.8	17.4	22.8
Respiratory system.....	3.1	2.2	1.8	.4	.3	.8	2.8	6.7	7.8
Digestive system.....	1.1	.8	.3	.2	.1	.6	1.7	2.3	1.6
Genitourinary system.....	1.0	.4	.3	1.9	.9	1.3	1.2	1.0	.8
Skin and subcutaneous tissue.....	.2	.1	...	...	1	.2	.3	.2	.2
Musculoskeletal system.....	7.4	1.2	1.8	2.0	2.1	3.4	7.0	14.1	19.6
Congenital anomalies.....	2.4	13.8	6.2	2.6	2.2	1.0	.6	.3	.9
Injuries.....	3.2	1.1	.8	2.1	3.9	4.3	4.4	2.8	3.5
Other.....	1.8	8.0	1.3	1.1	.9	1.1	1.9	1.6	1.7
Men									
Total.....	974,100	74,100	94,400	63,800	209,700	196,300	124,600	130,300	80,900
Diagnosis available, number.....	781,800	64,200	81,800	63,500	188,100	143,100	88,400	83,800	59,000
Diagnosis available, percent.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Infectious and parasitic diseases.....	1.3	.8	.4	...	1.0	1.9	2.8	1.5	1.4
Neoplasms.....	1.8	3.3	2.4	2.8	.8	.5	2.0	3.0	1.9
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases.....	2.3	2.0	1.2	1.5	.8	2.2	3.2	4.1	4.7
Diseases of blood and blood-forming organs.....	.8	2.2	1.7	.9	1.1	.5	...	.1	...
Mental disorders (other than mental retardation).....	25.2	5.8	8.9	14.8	27.2	44.9	36.3	20.1	15.8
Mental retardation.....	31.2	30.2	52.2	54.2	43.8	25.9	18.4	12.4	9.0
Diseases of—									
Nervous system and sense organs.....	13.0	27.9	20.5	16.1	13.3	8.7	8.1	8.8	7.8
Circulatory system.....	8.9	1.6	.8	.4	1.0	1.8	7.1	19.7	22.5
Respiratory system.....	2.4	2.3	2.4	.2	.2	.5	1.6	8.8	9.0
Digestive system.....	1.0	.8	.4	.2	.1	.3	2.4	2.3	2.4
Genitourinary system.....	.9	.5	...	1.6	1.1	1.0	1.1	.9	.8
Skin and subcutaneous tissue.....	.1	...	...	...	1	.2	.5	.2	.2
Musculoskeletal system.....	4.8	1.1	1.6	1.7	1.5	3.1	6.2	12.5	16.8
Congenital anomalies.....	2.7	12.9	5.7	2.4	1.7	1.2	.5	.4	.7
Injuries.....	4.7	1.2	.7	2.6	5.3	8.4	8.0	4.7	5.1
Other.....	2.0	7.8	1.1	.9	1.1	.9	1.7	2.7	2.0
Women									
Total.....	1,194,300	84,500	89,500	46,000	161,400	192,500	183,000	281,200	196,200
Diagnosis available, number.....	827,300	48,200	58,900	36,900	128,500	142,400	137,700	220,700	153,000
Diagnosis available, percent.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Infectious and parasitic diseases.....	.9	.8	.3	...	.8	1.1	1.2	.9	.8
Neoplasms.....	2.0	3.0	2.2	1.1	1.1	1.6	2.8	2.2	2.1
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases.....	5.8	2.8	1.0	1.1	.9	2.9	7.8	9.4	9.7
Diseases of blood and blood-forming organs.....	.8	2.4	1.9	...	1.0	.8	.1	.4	.3
Mental disorders (other than mental retardation).....	24.0	4.1	6.5	10.3	19.8	37.6	37.2	28.9	15.4
Mental retardation.....	23.7	28.8	51.4	55.8	51.0	33.6	14.7	7.8	8.5
Diseases of—									
Nervous system and sense organs.....	11.9	30.7	22.9	19.2	16.2	11.2	9.7	7.4	6.3
Circulatory system.....	8.7	1.4	.8	1.1	.9	2.9	8.2	16.4	23.0
Respiratory system.....	3.7	2.0	.9	.8	.4	1.1	3.3	6.7	7.4
Digestive system.....	1.2	1.0	.2	.3	.2	.8	1.2	2.3	1.3
Genitourinary system.....	1.0	.4	.7	2.4	.7	1.5	1.2	1.0	.8
Skin and subcutaneous tissue.....	.2	.2	...	...	2	.2	.8	.2	.3
Musculoskeletal system.....	9.3	1.4	2.2	2.4	2.9	3.7	7.5	14.8	20.7
Congenital anomalies.....	2.2	16.0	7.1	2.7	2.9	.8	.7	.3	1.0
Injuries.....	1.9	.8	.9	1.4	1.8	2.2	2.1	1.7	2.6
Other.....	1.8	8.3	1.5	1.4	.5	1.2	2.0	1.5	1.6

Excludes 254,000 \$S recipients who were transferred from the prior State programs of Aid to the Blind and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled

Diagnoses are for the most part not available for these recipients.

CONTACT: Arthur Kahn/Shirley Queen (301) 988-0188/0189 for further information.

9.F SSI: Disability

Table 9.F1.—Number and percentage distribution of blind and disabled persons under age 65 receiving federally administered payments and not transferred from prior State programs, by diagnostic group, December 1988
 (Based on 1-percent sample)

Diagnostic group	Number				Percentage distribution			
	Total	Adults		Blind and disabled children	Total	Adults		Blind and disabled children
		Blind	Disabled			Blind	Disabled	
Total.....	2,158,400	39,200	1,820,900	298,300	...	..	...	..
Diagnosis available.....	1,679,200	31,500	1,387,400	260,300	100.0	100.0	100.0	100
Infectious and parasitic diseases.....	17,600	300	18,100	1,200	1.0	1.0	1.2	2
Neoplasms.....	31,900	200	24,800	6,900	1.8	6	1.8	1
Endocrine, nutritional, and metabolic diseases.....	70,800	3,200	63,400	4,300	4.2	10.2	4.6	1
Diseases of blood and blood-forming organs.....	11,900	...	7,000	4,900	.7	...	.5	1
Mental disorders (other than mental retardation).....	411,800	200	394,800	16,800	24.5	6	25.5	6
Mental retardation.....	454,800	900	348,300	106,600	27.1	2.9	24.9	41
Diseases of—								
Nervous system and sense organs.....	208,400	23,800	118,700	86,100	12.4	74.9	8.6	25
Circulatory system.....	133,600	800	130,800	2,400	8.0	1.9	9.4	1
Respiratory system.....	52,100	100	47,100	4,900	3.1	.3	3.4	1
Digestive system.....	18,100	...	18,700	1,400	1.1	...	1.2	...
Genitourinary system.....	18,400	100	18,400	900	1.0	.3	1.1	...
Skin and subcutaneous tissue.....	3,400	(?)	(?)	(?)	2	(2)	(2)	...
Musculoskeletal system.....	122,500	100	11,400	4,000	7.4	3	8.8	...
Congenital anomalies.....	40,800	1,800	14,800	24,800	2.4	4.8	1.1	...
Injuries.....	53,200	500	50,500	2,200	3.2	1.8	3.8	...
Other.....	31,000	...	19,900	11,100	1.8	...	1.4	...

* Excludes 254,000 SSI recipients who were transferred from the prior State programs of Aid to the Blind and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled

Diagnoses are for the most part not available for these recipients.
 * Detailed data not shown where total is fewer than 5,000 recipients.

SSI categories of disability

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SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 4/10/90

FURTHER:

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: 4/19/90

The Finance Committee considered

SB 542

"An Act including employment of officials at certain amateur sports events for coverage under the Employment Security Act; and providing for an effective date."

and recommended:

- replace with _____ CS _____ same title
 or adopt _____ CS _____ new title
 attached amendment(s) technical title change (HB only)
 _____ letter of intent adopted

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

further referral to _____

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

APPROVES PREVIOUS:

fiscal note(s) _____ Dept/Date: _____

fiscal note(s) _____ Dept/Date: _____

zero fiscal note(s) _____

zero fiscal note(s) _____

to DOLabor 4/2/90

appropriation-no fiscal note

SIGNING ~~DO PASS~~:

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

[Signature]

J. Duncan - NO Rec
[Signature] No Rec
[Signature] No Rec

1. *John B...* No Rec.

2. *[Signature]*

Co-Chairs: Signatures and Recommendations

STATE OF ALASKA
1990 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL VERSION: SB 542
PUBLISH DATE: 4/3/90

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____ Agency Affected: Labor
 Title: "An Act including employment of
officials at amateur sports events for coverage..." BRU: Employment Security
 Sponsor: Rules Committee Components: Employment Services
 Requestor: Governor Youth Employment Services
Unemployment Insurance

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND&STRUCTURES						
GRANTS,CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Note: There is no fiscal impact in FY'90.

(see attached)

Prepared by: Judy Knight, Deputy Director Phone: 465-2711
 Division: Employment Security Date: 4/2/90
 Approved by Commissioner: Jim Sampson Date: 4/2/90
 Agency: Department of Labor

Distribution (by preparer) :
 Legislative Finance
 Legislative Sponsor
 Requestor
 Office of Management and Budget
 Impacted Agency(ies)

Fiscal Note Analysis
for

"An Act including employment of officials at amateur sports events..."

AS 23.20.526(a)(23) excludes sports officials at amateur sporting events from coverage under the Employment Security Act for unemployment insurance. This exclusion presents an issue with the requirements of section 3304(a)(6)(A) of the Federal Unemployment Tax Act.

Conformity proceedings against Alaska are presently pending. A final ruling by the U.S. Department of Labor that Alaska's law is out of conformity with federal law carries the penalty of loss of FUTA credit to all Alaska's employers (5.4 percent of the first \$7,000 of wages for each employee). Additional sanctions would be the loss of federal administrative funds for Employment Services (including Youth Employment Services) and Unemployment Insurance programs as well as federal program funds for Title III, Job Training Partnership Act.

Introduced: 4/3/90
Referred: L&C and Finance

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BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

1 IN THE SENATE

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SENATE BILL NO. 542

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act including employment of officials at certain
7 amateur sports events for coverage under the
8 Employment Security Act; and providing for an
9 effective date."

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

11 * Section 1. AS 23.20.526(a)(23) is repealed.

12 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

STEVE COWPER
GOVERNOR



STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
JUNEAU

April 3, 1990

The Honorable Tim Kelly
President of the Senate
Alaska State Legislature
P.O. Box V
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Mr. President:

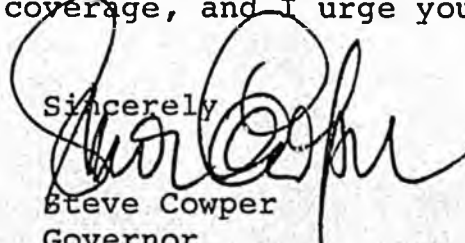
Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill that removes the exclusion of officials at amateur sports events from unemployment insurance.

In the final hours of the 1989 legislative session, SCS CSHB 147(L&C) was amended to exclude those officials from unemployment insurance. (Ch. 100, SLA 1989.) Section 26 of the final bill amended AS 23.20.526(a) by adding a new paragraph (23) to the list of exclusions. The U.S. Department of Labor (USDOL) subsequently advised the Alaska Department of Labor that this provision creates an issue of conformity with federal law.

The Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA) requires that all employees of government entities and nonprofit organizations be covered for unemployment insurance. Therefore, the exclusion of sports officials working for a government or nonprofit entity presents an issue of noncompliance with the requirements of sec. 3304(a)(6)(A) of FUTA.

Conformity proceedings against Alaska are presently pending. A final ruling by the USDOL that Alaska's law is out of conformity with FUTA carries the penalty of loss of FUTA credit to all Alaska's employers (5.4 percent of the first \$7,000 of wages), plus the loss of administrative money for our employment security division (which is federal money) and Job Training Partnership Act, Title III money. To avoid these punitive measures, I recommend repeal of the 1989 provision that excludes sports officials from unemployment insurance coverage, and I urge your early passage of this bill.

Sincerely,


Steve Cowper
Governor

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SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 5/1/90

FURTHER:

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: 5/2/90

The Finance Committee considered

SB 543

Authorizing the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority to issue bonds for an aircraft maintenance facility located at the Anchorage International Airport; granting the authority an exemption from the state procurement code for contracts relating to airports; efd.

and recommended:

replace with _____ CS
 or adopt _____ CS SB 543 (L&C)

same title
 new title
 technical title change (HB only)

attached amendment(s)
 _____ letter of intent adopted

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

further referral to _____

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):
Dept/Date:

fiscal note(s) _____

zero fiscal note(s) _____

appropriation-no fiscal note

APPROVES PREVIOUS:
Dept/Date:

fiscal note(s) _____

zero fiscal note(s) DC&ED 4/2/90

SIGNING DO PASS:

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[Signature]

1. [Signature] DO PASS

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

[Signature] - No Rec

[Signature] No Rec

[Signature] No Rec

2. _____

Co-Chairs: Signatures and Recommendations

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____ Title: <u>An Act relating to issuance of bonds and procurement of an Aircraft Maint.</u> Sponsor: <u>Rules Committee</u> Requestor: <u>Governor</u>	Agency Affected: <u>Commerce & Economic Dev.</u> BRU: <u>Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority</u> Components: _____
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EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Analysis is attached as page 2.

Prepared by: William R. Snell, Deputy Director - Development Phone: (907) 561-8050
 Division: Alaska Industrial-Development and Export Authority Date: 4/2/90

Approved by Commissioner: Larry Mercier Date: 4/2/90
 Agency: Department of Commerce & Economic Development

Distribution (by preparer):

- Legislative Finance) Changes in CSSB 543 (L&C)
- Legislative Sponsor) have no fiscal impact. This
- Requestor) fiscal note is appropriate.
- Office of Management and Budget) Projections of no fiscal impact
- Impacted Agency(ies)) would continue through 1996.