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December 27, 1990

Senator Virginia Collins
3111 C Street, Ste. 412
Anchorage, Alaska 99503

Dear Senator Collins:

I am writing to ask for your consideration of a bill to license marriage and family therapists which is to be introduced in the upcoming legislative session.

I support the intent of this bill which is to ensure that persons who offer their services to the public as marriage and family therapists have both the education, training, and experience to do so competently, and will do so ethically. At the present time, there is no assurance that this occurs in Alaska.

If you have questions concerning this bill, I would be happy to try and answer them.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Donald Sparrow'.

Donald Sparrow, A.C.S.W.
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March 20, 1991

House Finance Committee
 Mike Navarre, Co-Chair
 Alaska State Legislature
 P.O. Box V
 Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear House Finance Committee:

We, at Langdon Clinic, support licensure for Marriage and Family Therapists and urge you to support HB 18. We believe it to be in the best interest to the public and to the mental health profession by having well-trained and qualified professionals.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Randall G. Jones, M.A.
 Vice President

RGJ/cs

SUPPORT LETTERS



Alaska Association for Marriage and Family Therapy

a division of The American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy, Inc.
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January 15, 1991

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We hope you and your aides will take some time to read through the material presented. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Robert Nelson, Rel.D.
President, AkAMFT
Mercy Dennis, M.A.
Randall G. Jones, M.A.
Co-Chair, Legislative Affairs

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Sincerely,

Robert Nelson, Rel.D.
President-AkAMFT

David R. Samson M.D.
Board Certified Psychiatrist

November 21, 1990

Jim Nordlund
% Representative Johnny Ellis
3111 "C" Street, Suite 455
Anchorage, Alaska 99503

Dear Mr. Nordlund:

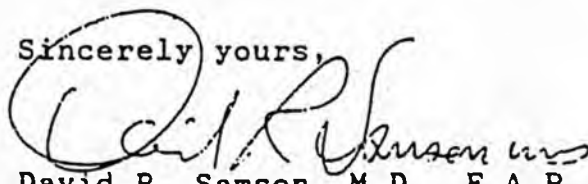
This letter is in support of licensing for marriage and family therapists. I wrote a similar letter on October 20, 1989 supporting it for last year's legislature.

As a psychiatrist, I believe that marriage and family therapists provide specific services that are needed in our communities. I believe it is essential that our state government assures the public that people who claim to be marriage and family therapists do indeed have the necessary advanced educational requirements and experiences to provide marriage and family services. This can best be arranged with specific licensing and re-licensing requirements.

I have worked with multiple therapists in and out of community mental health center settings and in private practice. This includes several trained marriage and family therapists. I have been very impressed with their continuing education efforts over the several years that I have been working with them and think they do an excellent job continuing their professional competence.

I urge that the state legislature pass legislation in the coming year to insure that licensing exists for marriage and family therapists. I wholeheartedly support this effort.

Sincerely yours,



David R. Samson, M.D., F.A.P.A.



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RESOLUTION

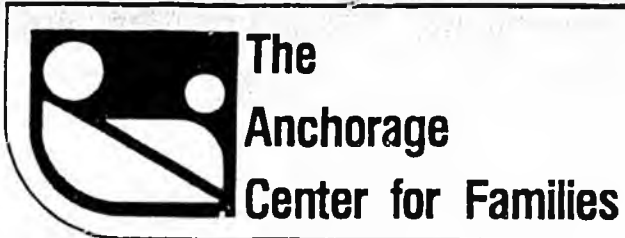
- WHEREAS there have been cases of abuse and mistreatment by people claiming to be qualified marriage and family therapists.
- WHEREAS there are currently no laws regulating the practice of marital and family therapy in the State of Alaska.
- WHEREAS the public should have the right to know that practitioners claiming to be marital and family therapists have met professional standards and are qualified to perform marital and family therapy.
- WHEREAS the State of Alaska has developed regulations and licensing requirements for other health care providers.
- BE IT RESOLVED that the Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce supports the concept of regulation and licensing of practitioners of marital and family therapy, the establishment of a board of marital and family therapy, and the qualifications for license to practice marital and family therapy as outlined in House Bill - 305.

Signed,
Rocky Spear

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rocky Spear", is written over the typed name.

President,
Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce

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April 5, 1989

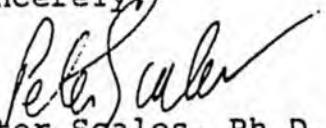
Mercy Dennis
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Anchorage, Alaska 99503

Dear Mercy:

I am writing to express my support of your efforts to put in place a licensing system for private practice marriage and family therapists. Recent data show that more and more mental health services are being provided by a wide variety of practitioners with very different backgrounds. As you know, at present in Alaska, there is no way for a consumer to judge the difference in quality of care that may be provided by these various practitioners. With a licensing system in place, based on accepted professional standards of certification and completion of extensive supervision requirements, Alaskan consumers will be better assured that they are purchasing quality mental health services.

Please let me know if I can assist you in this important effort.

Sincerely,



Peter Scales, Ph.D.
Executive Director



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WILLIAM A. WORRALL, MD

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December 10, 1990

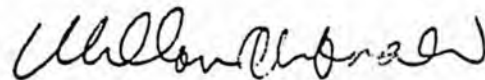
We urge the Alaska State Legislature to support licensing for masters level therapists as proposed by the Alaska Association of Marriage and Family Therapists.

We believe that licensing is one of the few tools available to assure a high level of protection for people who seek counseling from therapists in private practice.

Licensing can be used to:

1. Establish a minimum set of standards for therapists.
2. Verify that therapists have received adequate training, supervision and experience in their fields before they begin to practice.
3. Assure that therapists maintain the highest level of ethics and clinical practice.
4. Provide an avenue of removing therapists who fail to meet these standards.
5. Widen the range of help available to the public since many insurance companies require that mental health providers be state licensed before they will reimburse clients for fees.

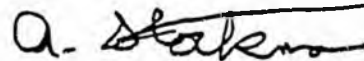
Sincerely,



William Worrall, M.D.



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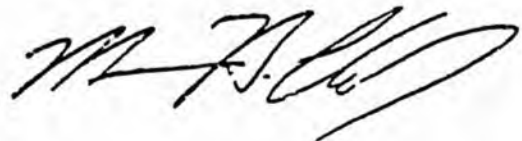
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TO: State Legislators
FROM: MARVIN CLARK
DATE: 1/10/91

I wish to stress the importance of this State ensuring that Marriage and Family Therapists can be licensed in Alaska. I am aware that Marriage and Family Therapists provide a service that is needed in our community, yet there is no assurance that people who say they are Marriage and Family Therapists indeed possess the training and experience necessary to perform those functions. It is important that the State enact licensing specifically to assure adequate training and experience be required for those who practice the profession of Marriage and Family Therapists.

Other mental health professionals have access to licensing in the State of Alaska; however, Marriage and Family Therapists have different background training and experience and provide an alternative mental health service, therefore, they also need licensing.

Please pass a licensing law for Marriage and Family Therapists during this 1991 session of the legislature. Thank you for your attention to this matter.





The
Episcopal
Diocese of Alaska

The Rt. Rev. George C. Harris, Bishop

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March 2, 1989

The Honorable Steve Cowper
State of Alaska
Juneau AK 99802

Dear Governor Cowper:

Of the many fiscal issues facing state government at this time, the licensing of marriage and family therapists is an issue of significant importance for consumer protection.

Incompetent people practicing in the mental health professions are very dangerous, and I feel the state needs to provide the people of this state with the necessary protection to ensure their safety and well-being. State regulation is important in providing consumers with information about credentialed professionals.

Currently, 18 states have licensing laws that regulate the practice of marriage and family therapy. Twenty-two additional states are presently considering such legislation.

Clergy in our parishes are on the front-line for referring families for marriage and family therapy. They need to have information about quality referrals. They need to know that persons who advertise themselves as marriage and family therapists do, in fact, have the training, experience, and clinical supervision they claim. The State of Alaska is the only public agency that can provide such through licensing and regulation, as it does in the case of clinical social workers, psychiatrists, clinical psychologists, psychiatric nurses, etc.

I urge you to consider and enact legislation into law that will license and regulate the field of marriage and family therapy in order to protect the people of Alaska and to promote standards of excellence across the entire field of mental health providers in our state.

Yours in Christ,

George C. Harris

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*Dictated by the bishop but signed in his absence.

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President-AkAMFT



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Judiciary
committee name
committee on HB 18, dated March 11, 1991
bill/subject



A Family Worship Center
Garry L. Oliver, Pastor

Community Baptist Church

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March 7, 1991

I appreciate the opportunity to express my opinion on HB18 to the Judiciary Committee. Thank you. As a pastoral counselor and Clinical Member in the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy I have some very high expectations of those who call themselves "marriage counselors" or "family counselors." There ought to be a standardization of criteria used to recognize these people as there is of others in most health professions. Unfortunately there are many who call themselves by the title "marriage and family therapist (counselor)" who understand little of the issues involved in working with couples or whole families. It is "an entirely different ball game" when working with two or more people in relationship than with an individual person by themselves in counseling or therapy.

I am personally concerned with the kind of services some people have received that I have encountered. I believe that they might have had more helpful therapy (counseling) had their therapist (counselor) been trained specifically in the mindset and methodology consistent with the modern marriage and family therapy movement. Some marriages and relationships might have been helped to survive. And some might have been helped through the transition of separation and divorce more healthfully than they were, in my opinion. Very well-meaning folks trained only in doing individual therapy (counseling) were unable to see some of the real issues involved. Had they been trained in "systems theory", for example, they might have helped the couples and families avert the disastrous consequences which occurred.

Please understand that I am not suggesting that only American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy members are qualified. I do not believe that! There are many, many qualified persons who do not belong to AAMFT in mental health centers, in private practice, or other places of doing therapy. My personal experience is that there are some extremely qualified clergy who do excellent work with couples and families because they have had adequate training and experience, as well as a "feel" for this very unique discipline. Marriage and family therapy (counseling) is a singular discipline, and ought to be considered such by professionals, insurance companies, consumers and state and federal agencies that provide funding for such.

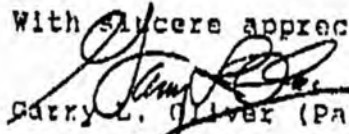
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I heartily endorse the passage of HB18. I think that this is an adequate approach to the licensing of people in Alaska for this discipline. It is not perfect, but which bill ever has been perfect? It would certainly help the consumers of marriage and family therapy (counseling) services immensely. Helping the consumers select qualified therapists (counselors) is my primary concern. All other concerns are way down the list of importance to me.

Thanks for listening.

Signed:

With sincere appreciation,


Gary L. Oliver (Pastor, AAMFT Clinical Member)

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Letters of Support

FACT SHEET

LICENSING MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPISTS

++ The Alaska Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (a division of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy which represents over 17,000 qualified marriage and family therapists in the United States, Canada and abroad) believes that licensure and regulation by the State, as the steward of the public cause, is one of the most effective vehicles to protect the public. AKAMFT advocates the licensure by the State of Alaska of all mental health professions.

++ There are six distinct and fully accredited mental health professions in Alaska: medical branch (including psychiatry & psychiatric nursing) and non-medical branch (including psychology, social work, marriage & family therapy, and mental health counseling). The only clearly defined clinical discipline not licensed and regulated by the State of Alaska is marriage & family therapy.

++ Marriage and family therapy has long been recognized by the Federal Government as a separate and distinct mental health discipline . . . not simply a part of psychiatry, psychology or social work.

++ Listed in the Sourcebook on Health Professions (published by the U.S. Dept. of Health Human Services, through the Health Resources and Services Administration)

++ The Public Health Service Act lists marriage and family therapy as separate and distinct for receiving training funds through the National Institute of Mental Health.

++ The U. S. Dept of Health, Education and Welfare have designated AAMFT's Commission on Accreditation as the sole national accrediting agency for graduate and post-degree educational and training programs in the field of marriage and family therapy.

++ CHAMPUS has clearly defined marriage and family therapy and qualified Clinical Members of AAMFT as providers.

++ Marriage and family therapists have been providers under Medicaid for many years.

++ Alaska needs to regulate and license marriage and family therapists. 22 States currently license and regulate marriage and family therapists . . . and an additional 22 States have licensure legislation before them.

++ All of the mental health professions "dispense strong medicine" . . . mental health interventions profoundly impact the individual or family at deep levels and in profound ways (for good or ill).

++ The State of Alaska exists to serve the people of Alaska and their needs and interests. (Some marriage and family therapists choose membership in the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy. And, whereas Clinical Membership in AAMFT . . . much like other clinical professionals being a part of NASW, AMA or APA . . . set high standards for those who qualify and choose such membership, voluntary "certification" is no substitute for regulation by the State of Alaska.)

++ The State of Alaska holds the only possibility of responsibly and effectively regulating all mental health professions and thereby effectively closing many existing gaps that allow persons who are untrained and unqualified to identify themselves . . . and at the same time enable those who are highly trained, competent, and ethical in their practice to be identified as well.

++ Faced with marital or family stress, Alaskan families are not in optimum position to evaluate the stated credentials of persons holding themselves out as marriage and family therapists. But under such stress, they need the help of well-qualified therapists who are identified as such by State regulation. Licensing will provide Alaskan consumers with information about qualifications of professionals in the field, and they can then make more informed decisions based on objective criteria administered by a public body.

++ There is a special danger in the mental health field: Persons holding themselves out to the public in misleading ways about their qualifications. It can be very lucrative to hang up a shingle or represent oneself as a "marriage and family therapist" regardless of training, clinical experience or supervision in the field. It has not been the intent of either the governor's office or the legislature to allow the Alaskan consumer to be exposed to unqualified, untrained and unsupervised treatment. It has rather been a result of limited awareness on the part of state officials regarding the profession of marriage and family therapy. But the result is the same.

++ The Division of Medical Assistance of the Alaska State Department of Health and Social Services, under federal mandate, is establishing new regulations for Medicaid in June 1991. Under the revised regulations, marriage and family therapists will be required to be licensed by the State of Alaska. The Division strongly supports licensing of marriage and family therapists as a means to ensure standards of care under Medicaid. Many marriage and family therapists presently provide therapy to Medicaid patients, maintaining AAMFT Clinical Membership and standards and carrying a high percentage of Medicaid caseloads for many years now. Such provider services will no longer be available to Alaskans. The proposed licensing legislation, if passed during this First Session of the Seventeenth Legislature and signed by the Governor will ensure that these services continue uninterrupted.

++ Because the function or practice of doing marriage and family therapy is not prohibited as such under the proposed legislation . . . other mental health therapists would continue to be able to work with couples and with families under their own respective State-approved licensing and regulating Statutes.

++ Under the proposed legislation, however, consumers would be able to clearly identify therapists who meet the qualifications to be a "Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist" (LMFT) or "Licensed Marriage and Family Counselor" (LMFC).

++ A growing number of mental health professionals have received specialized training in marriage and family therapy. Some of those may choose to seek licensure as "LMFT" or "LMFC" under the proposed legislation. A growing number of students in training are anticipating their primary area of work will be in the field of marriage and family therapy and will be seeking licensure under this legislation.

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++ Alaska has been in the vanguard of establishing social policy and maintaining progressive legislation in the field of alcohol treatment and general mental health care.

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++ Alaska must not be one of last States to establish clear-cut regulation of the profession of marriage and family therapy.

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++ Alaskan Medicaid patients must continue to be given the opportunity to choose marriage and family therapy as their choice of care.

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++ Alaskans must be allowed the opportunity to set public standards and regulate a clinical field that touches lives so profoundly.

++ Research has shown that marriage and family therapy is one of the most effective treatment approaches for many of the problems facing Alaska's families: family violence, substance abuse, delinquency and school problems, childhood and adolescent disorders, eating disorders, and marriage and families in trouble. (See: A Report of the Governor's Commission on Children and Youth, Our Greatest Natural Resource, Investing in the Future of Alaska's Children, January 1988).

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January 5, 1990

Dear Governor and Legislators,

I strongly support the state of Alaska establishing certification or licensing requirements at the state level for Family and Marriage Therapists.

As Associate Administrator of Health Services at Valley Hospital, I think the assurance licensure provides, that family and marriage therapists have been properly trained, is essential when referring patients and employees to their services.

It has been my observation that at the time a family or couple are referred for therapy, they are often in crisis, and extremely vulnerable to a therapists guidance and influence. An, improperly trained therapist represents a threat to these at risk individuals.

Passage of state legislation, insuring licensure of family and marriage therapists is urgently needed, and has my complete support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christine Blackgoat".

Christine Blackgoat,
Associate Administrator
of Health Service



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February 13, 1989

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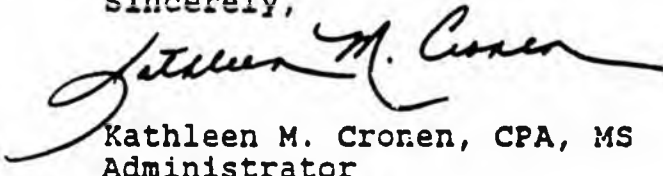
Dear Mercy:

I am writing in support of licensing for Marriage and Family Therapy by the State of Alaska. Alaska currently licenses and regulates psychiatry, psychiatric nursing, clinical psychology and psychological associate, and social work. Marriage and family therapy is recognized as a separate mental health discipline by the Federal government. Currently, 18 states license and regulate marriage and family therapists with an additional 22 states considering such legislation in 1989.

As a certified professional in the State of Alaska, I know that licensure and ongoing regulation is essential to maintaining both quality and integrity. I realize that some marriage and family therapists choose membership in the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy. However, such voluntary membership is no substitution for regulation by the State. As the Administrator of Charter North Hospital, I am gravely concerned at the lack of regulations and requirements for licensure by individuals performing therapy.

Best of luck in this endeavor. Please feel free to contact me for further support on this matter.

Sincerely,


Kathleen M. Cronen, CPA, MS
Administrator

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December 4, 1989

Dr. Robert Nelson, President-Elect
Alaska Association for Marriage
and Family Therapists
4502 Cassin Drive
Anchorage, AK 99507

Dear Dr. Nelson:

I am writing this letter in support of the certification and/or licensing at the Alaska state level for marriage and family therapists.

As an Alaska state licensed clinical social worker, I feel strongly that licensing of family and marriage therapists is necessary to insure that the public receives the best possible level of services. Licensure would go a long way toward assuring the public that each licensed marriage and family therapist has adequately completed the nationally standardized graduate-level educational requirements as well as several years of supervised training necessary to be competent to deliver these services.

I have worked closely with a number of marriage and family therapists, and have attended seminars and continuing education classes with them. I respect their level of expertise and believe that their services are needed in Alaska.

I strongly recommend passage of state legislation in the coming year to license marriage and family therapists. If I can be of further assistance in this regard, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Cheryl F. Mitchell, M.S.W.

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Licensed Clinical Social Worker



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January 28, 1991

Ms. Maureen Christensen
2836 N. Circle
Anchorage, Alaska 99507

Dear Maureen:

Thank you for the copies of House Bill No. 81 and Senate Bill No. 40.

We at the Anchorage School District are very concerned that our employees, as well as all citizens, have proper protection in the area of health care services, and we are in full support of your efforts to obtain legislation concerning the proper protection in this area of health care.

We hope your efforts are successful, and we look forward to seeing the final legislation that is approved.

Sincerely,

Warren Dvorak, Manager
Benefits Department

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REPRESENTATIVES:


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Please pass House Bill #18—AS IS

Licenses for Marital and Family therapists, which ensures
protection for consumers.

This bill is approved by the Alaska Psychological Association
as well as the Alaska Social Workers Association.

Thanks



W.A. Cassell M. D.

To: Representatives: Donley
Gruenberg
Ellis (Chair)
Parnell
Martin
Miller
Handley

Please pass HB 18 regulating and providing licensure for marital and family counselors. This legislation is important for the protection of Alaskan families.

We urge you to pass this bill as is.

Thank You.

Maureen Christensen
Maureen Christensen M. Ed.

Linda Hunstiger
Linda Hunstiger MSW

Martha White
Martha White MSW LCSW

HB

18

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 5/8/92

FURTHER:

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: _____

The Finance Committee considered 2d CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 18 (RULES)

"An Act relating to professional licensing and amending Alaska Rule of Evidence 504(a)(3); and providing for an effective date."

and recommends:

- replace with _____ CS _____ (FINANCE)
- or adopt previous _____ CS _____
- attaches amendment(s)

- same title
- new title
- technical title change (HB only)

adopts _____ Letter of Intent

further referral to the _____

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

NEW FISCAL NOTES: Dept/Date

zero fiscal notes _____

fiscal notes _____

appropriation--no fiscal note

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTES: Dept/Date

zero fiscal notes _____

fiscal notes _____

DO PASS:

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. _____
Co-Chair: Signature/Recommendation

2. _____
Co-Chair: Signature/Recommendation

State of Alaska

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M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: March 8, 1992

TO: Senator Pat Pourchot
Co-chair, Senate Finance Committee

FROM: Representative Max Gruenberg *Max*

RE: Scheduling SCS for 2d CSHB 18 (2d L&C), "The
Licensing of Marital and Family Therapists Bill."

I would very much appreciate it if you would schedule SCS for 2d CSHB 18 (L&C), for a hearing as soon as it is possible.

SCS for 2d CSHB 18 (L&C) will protect the public by providing standards and regulation for those who wish to become licensed marital and family therapy practitioners in this state.

The Marital and Family provisions in this new draft of HB 18 are exactly the same as the version of SB 40 which passed the legislature and was vetoed last year. The Governor's Office now supports this legislation.

The House Hess Committee amended the bill by broadening the title. The House Rules added a provision to delete an impractical requirement in the acupuncturist licence renewal statute. The Senate Labor and Commerce Committee added provisions to extend the Board of Clinical Social Workers and to allow for the assessment of civil fines in certain cases involving the illegal, unlicensed practice of architecture, engineering and land surveying.

This bill will have no negative fiscal impact.

If you have any questions, please call me or my Legislative Assistant, Mark Handley, at 465-4968.

Thank you very much.

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Senate CS for 2nd CS for HB 18:

"An Act relating to professional licensing and amending Alaska Rule of Evidence 504(a)(9); and providing for an effective date."

The department strongly supports passage of this act. This omnibus bill offers several provisions which protect the public's health, safety, and welfare and/or enhance the department's ability to regulate the professions licensed under Title 08.

Sections 1, 2, 3, 6, 10, 11, 12, and 13 establish a Board of Marital Therapy, a sunset date, requirements for licensure, and grounds for discipline. This fills a need for those who prefer using a marital and family therapist instead of a psychiatrist or psychologist but who could not afford treatment if it were not covered by insurance. (Insurance companies do not cover unlicensed therapy.) Without licensure, the public would have a difficult time in determining their therapist's level of expertise or training. This act provides for confidentiality of communication, a much needed feature.

Section 4 extends the Board of Clinical Social Work Examiners, preventing the sunset of this needed board.

Section 5 provides for the extension of the Board of Psychologist and Psychological Associate Examiners, preventing the sunset of this needed board.

Section 7 amends the acupuncture statutes to prevent an injustice to those already licensed but who would not be able to renew unless they have received a designation from a specific trade association. Licensees and the department have experienced difficulty in communicating with this association. The department will consider if continuing education is required and establish standards by regulation.

Section 8 provides for a civil penalty for unregistered or unauthorized practice of architecture, engineering or land surveying. There are currently criminal penalties but crowded court calendars and overloaded assistant district attorneys have resulted in a spotty record of enforcement. This section would allow state investigators to issue citations and impose a fine which should be a strong deterrent.

Section 9 increases the amount of education needed to apply for the psychological associate exam to conform to national trend of changing standards.

Section 14 adds marriage and family therapists to the list of occupations whose communications with patients are considered to be confidential. This is crucial to patient recovery as without the protection patients are tempted to hold back on full disclosure to their therapist.

POSITION PAPER
Senate CS for 2nd CS for HB 18
Page 2

Section 15 defines qualifications for the initial board members.

Section 16 provides for transitional licensing.

Section 17 exempts this act from AS 44.66.050(e) allowing for more than one board to be extended in the same bill. Separate bills were not introduced at the beginning of session, pending the recommendations of the Task Force on Boards and Commissions.

Section 18 provides for an immediate effective date.

Glenn A. Olds for Asst Comm

Glenn A. Olds, Commissioner
Date: 5/8/92

STATE OF ALASKA

FISCAL NOTE

1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Revision Date: _____ Department Affected: Commerce & Economic Development
 Title: An Act relating to professional licensing and amending Alaska Rule of Evidence 504(a)(3); BRU: Occupational Licensing
 Component: Administration
 Sponsor: Reps. Gruenberg, et al
 Requestor: Senate Labor & Commerce COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
PERSONAL SERVICES	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8
TRAVEL	9.8	9.8	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4
CONTRACTUAL	10.9	10.9	10.9	10.9	10.9	10.9
SUPPLIES	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	25.5	25.5	23.1	23.1	23.1	23.1

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE	51.0		46.2		46.2	
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER - GF/PR	25.5	25.5	23.1	23.1	23.1	23.1
TOTAL	25.5	25.5	23.1	23.1	23.1	23.1

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME			
PART-TIME			
TEMPORARY			

Changes in CSHB 18 & LC reflect NO FISCAL CHANGE from the original fiscal note. This fiscal note is appropriate.

5-9-92 date Comte Aide (initial) _____

Estimate of current year impact: None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

The bill establishes a five-member Board of Marital and Family Therapy for one year to establish examination, training and education requirements for entry into the profession, and to license qualified individuals. The bill also make amendments to other licensing programs as explained on the attached page.

Prepared By: Jennifer Strickler Phone: 465-2144
 Division: Occupational Licensing Date: 05/08/92
 Approved by Commissioner: Glenn A. Onda
 Agency: Commerce & Economic Development Date: 5/8/92

Continuation of Fiscal Note Analysis

For Bill No: SCS 2nd CSHB 18(L&C)

This fiscal note represents the cost of licensing marital and family therapists with a five-member board, and based on an estimated 40 practitioners who would seek and qualify for licensure. Program costs are based on the number of licensees and statutory requirements in the bill. The following is an explanation of program-related cost:

PERSONAL SERVICES \$ 3.8

To provide administrative staff support.

TRAVEL \$ 9.8

In FY 93, this funding will provide two face-to-face meetings, one in Anchorage and one in Juneau, assuming two members are from the Anchorage area, two from Juneau, one from Fairbanks; and three division staff (Director, Licensing Examiner, and Regulations Specialist) to attend each meeting. This funding will also provide for administration of licensing examinations in various locations.

(This cost is lower than the amount shown on previous fiscal notes as a result of changes in State per diem policies, mainly that travellers are now entitled only to a prorated per diem on the first and last day of travel.)

Because of the newness of the licensing program, the FY 94 funding continues to provide for two board meetings if needed, and travel to administer licensing examinations.

In FY 95 forward, the licensing program will have been in operation for two years, and therefore require fewer meetings to conduct its business, providing the board is still in existence. This funding will also provide travel to administer the licensing examination in various locations (\$7.4).

CONTRACTUAL \$ 10.9

This funding provides for printing, advertising, postage and communication costs.

SUPPLIES

\$ 1.0

Funding will provide standard office supplies.

TOTAL: \$ 25.5

REVENUE

Since the estimated number of practitioners are small (40 individuals), licensing fees will be high if this program is expected to entirely fund its activities with general fund/program receipts. The division will work with supporters of the program to ensure licensing fees support entire costs of this program. Licenses are issued for a two-year period and therefore, revenues are shown every other year. Because of the staggered renewal cycle of all licensing programs, costs incurred in a non-renewal year will be covered by occupations renewing in that year. Likewise, revenues generated by this program during a renewal year will do the same for other licensing programs not renewing that year. The main objective is to ensure that fees collected from this program is sufficient to cover the average program costs.

AS 08.01.065(c), **Fees established by regulation** provide that the "department may establish a fee that is less than the cost of the activity for which the fee is charged if the department determines that it is not reasonable to impose the full cost of the activity on the applicant or licensee."

OTHER SECTIONS

Section 4 of the bill extends the Board of Clinical Social Workers to June 30, 1995. New funds are not needed to extend this board since funding is included in the FY 93 operating budget request.

Section 5 of the bill extends the Board of Psychologist and Psychological Associate Examiners to June 30, 1993. New funds are not needed to extend this board since funding is included in the FY 93 operating budget request.

Section 7 amends the acupuncture statutes to prevent an injustice to those already licensed but who would not be able to renew unless they have received a designation from a specific trade association. New funds are not required to implement this provision.

Section 8 provides for civil penalty for unregistered or unauthorized practice of architecture, engineering or land surveying. The possibility exists that this provision may even generate revenues to the general fund by way of assessing fines.

Under this provision, state investigators would have the authority to issue citations and impose a fine without seeking criminal penalties through the court system. This provision may impose hearing costs upon the division, however, any hearing costs could be offset by assessed fines.

Section 9 increases the amount of education hours need to apply for the psychological associate examination. New funds are not needed to implement this provision.

HB 20

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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(11)

Date Referred: May 6, 1991

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: 2/19/92

The FINANCE Committee considered:

SSHB 20

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 20

LONGEVITY BONUS/NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

"An Act relating to qualifications for longevity bonus payments; and providing for an effective date."

RECOMMENDATIONS:

be replaced with CSSHB 20 (FIN)

[X] the same title [] a new title

[] have attached amendments(s)

[X] do pass

[] do not pass

[] no recommendations

[] individual recommendations

[] additional referral to the _____ Committee

ADOPTS: _____ letter of Intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S): (Dept)

APPROVES PREVIOUS: (Dept/Date)

[X] fiscal impact DOA

[] fiscal note(s)

[X] zero fiscal note HSS

[] zero fiscal note(s)

SIGNING DO PASS	DP	OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS	DNP	NR	AM
Eileen P. MacLean	✓				
Mike Savane	✓				
Mark Boyer	X				
Jay Brown	✓				
Al Korman	✓				
George Vadas	X				
Samuel Barnes	X				
Bob Sharp	X				
Robert K. Phillips	✓				
Ronald J. Larson	X				

Mike Savane Eileen P. MacLean
CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE

CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 20 (FINANCE)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered:

Referred:

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES SHARP, Taylor, Gonzales, Gruenberg, Ivan, Martin, M.A.Miller, J.Phillips, Hudson, Zawacki, Leman

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to qualifications for longevity bonus payments; and providing for an
2 effective date."

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

4 * Section 1. AS 47.45.070 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (c) Notwithstanding (a)(2) of this section, a person who resides in a nursing home who
6 meets the age and residence requirements of this chapter qualifies for the bonus if the costs of
7 care of the person at the nursing home are paid for entirely from private sources.

8 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect July 1, 1992.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CSSSHB 20 (State Affairs)

Revision Date: January 24, 1992
Title: Longevity Bonus Qualifications
Sponsor: Representative Sharp
Requestor: House Finance

Department Affected: Administration
BRU: Longevity Bonus
Component: Grants

COMPONENT

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Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	0	0	0	0	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL OPERATING	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0

CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:	0	0	0	0	0	0
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER FUND SOURCE	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0

POSITIONS:

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

Estimate of current year impact: None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)
See attached.

Prepared by: Barbara Bathony
Division: Pioneers' Benefits

Phone: 465-4400
Date: January 24, 1992

Approved by Commissioner: Nancy Bear Usera
Agency: Administration

Date: 1/24/92

Distribution (by preparer): Legislative Fin., Legislative Sponsor, Requestor, OMB/DBR, Gov. Legis. Ofc., & Impacted Agency(ies).

FN - ADMIN

Fiscal Note
CS for Sponsor Substitute House Bill No. 20 (State Affairs)

January 24, 1992

There are approximately 29 nursing home residents over 65 years of age who are fully private pay. This estimate was arrived from a telephone survey of private long-term care facilities during December 1991.

The above calculation does not include residents of the skilled nursing sections of the Pioneers' Homes or the Sourdough Unit at Harborview, Valdez.

The effect of this bill on Medicaid/hold harmless provisions is not addressed in above calculations.

29 residents at \$3000 a year = \$87,000 for FY 93

Assumes effective date July 1, 1992.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA

BILL NO. CSSSHB20

1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Revision Date: 2/20/92

Department Affected: H&SS

Title: An act relating to qualifications for longevity bonus payments; and providing for an effective date

BRU: Medicaid

Component: Medicaid Facilities

Sponsor: Sharp

Requestor:

COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:	0	0	0	0	0	0
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FUNDING (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER FUND SOURCE:	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS:

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

Estimate of current year impact: NONE

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

See attached note

Prepared By: Kimberly B. Busch

Phone: 465-3355

Division: Medical Assistance

Date: 2-20-92

Approved by Commissioner: Brian L. [Signature]

Agency: Health and Social Services

Date: 2/21/92

Distribution (by Preparer: Leg. Fin., Legislative Sponsor, Requestor, OMB/DBR, Gov. Legis. Ofc., & Impacted Agency(ies))

CSSSHB 20

CSSSHB 20 would have no effect on the Medicaid budget, nor would it affect expenditures in the longevity bonus hold-harmless program (0231), as no bonus payment would be made to persons whose cost of care was being paid in whole or in part by Medicaid.

Industry sources estimate that there may be about 31 private pay individuals in private (non-Pioneers' Homes) nursing homes at any given point. From data about Medicaid recipients, we would reason that at least half of these may meet the age and residency requirement of the bonus program. Presumably, monthly bonus income would assist them in meeting the costs of their care or continuing premiums for a private long-term-care insurance policy. However, the costs of nursing home care are so high in comparison to the bonus payment that we do not anticipate that bonus income would reduce Medicaid expenditures by noticeably delaying a private pay patients' empty into the Medicaid program.

Alaska State Legislature

REPRESENTATIVE
BERT SHARP

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House of Representatives

SPONSOR STATEMENT
Representative Bert Sharp
CS SS HB20
January 22, 1992

In 1984, the federal government decided that it would count the longevity bonus as income for purposes of medicaid eligibility determinations. One result of that change would have been the loss of medicaid coverage of nursing home costs to some older Alaskans.

In 1985, the legislature changed its laws making all nursing home residents ineligible for longevity bonus payments. This blanket exclusion did not take into consideration senior citizens who pay for the cost of care at a nursing home from private sources. Nursing home residents who pay nursing home charges entirely from their own resources should not be penalized by the loss of their longevity bonus simply because their residence has changed. CSSSHB20 corrects this oversight.



REPRESENTING
GOLDEN HEART
OF ALASKA

ALASKA NURSING HOMES CENSUS


AS OF : November 30, 1990

*Actual numbers separating private pay from other is not available. However, numbers are believed to be small.

FACILITY	MEDICAID PER DIEM RATE	CERTIFIED CAPACITY		MEDICAID/GRM PLACEMENTS		NON-OMA PLACEMENTS **		TOTAL CENSUS	VACANT BEDS	% OCCUPANCY OF TOTAL BEDS	
		SHF/ ICF	SWING BEDS	ICF	SHF	MEDI- CARE	OTHER			OVERALL	MEDICAID
CORDOVA HOSPITAL LTC	\$202.90	10	4	12	0	n/a	0	12	2	86%	86%
DENALI CENTER (Fairbanks)	200.34	101	0	38	8	7	8	61	40	60%	46%
HERITAGE PLACE (Soldotna)	207.30	45	0	21	2	4	5	32	13	71%	51%
ISLAND VIEW MANOR (Ketchikan)	237.70	46	0	18	3	2	5	28	18	61%	46%
KOTZEBUE SENIOR CITIZEN CARE CTR.	109.27	9	0	6	2	0	0	8	1	89%	89%
KODIAK ISLAND HOSPITAL LTC	217.34	19*	4	14	n/a	0	3	17	6	74%	61%
MARY CONRAD CENTER (Anchorage)	290.37	73*	0	70	n/a	n/a	2	72	1	99%	96%
OUR LADY OF COMPASSION (Anchorage)	178.59	224	0	139	46	8	27	220	4	98%	83%
PETERSBURG HOSPITAL LTC	251.18	14	4	10	0	0	2	12	6	67%	56%
QUYAANA CARE CENTER (Nome)	235.38	15*	0	15	n/a	n/a	0	15	0	100%	100%
SOURDOUGH PLACE (Valdez)	207.06	16*	0	10	n/a	n/a	3	13	3	81%	63%
SOUTH PENINSULA HOSP. LTC (Iliamna)	234.82	18	4	14	1	n/a	2	17	5	77%	68%
ST. ANN'S NURSING HOME (Juneau)	210.62	45	0	35	7	0	1	43	2	96%	93%
WESLEYAN NURSING HOME (Seward)	164.52	66	0	40	0	n/a	6	46	20	70%	61%
WRANGELL GENERAL HOSPITAL LTC	284.80	14	4	9	1	0	2	12	6	67%	56%
SWING BEDS (Acute to LTC):											
CENTRAL PEN. HOSPITAL (Soldotna)	181.75	0	4	0	0	1	0	1	3	25%	0%
SEWARD GENERAL HOSPITAL	177.51	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0%	0%
SITKA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	181.75	0	2	0	0	2	0	2	0	100%	0%
VALDEZ COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	181.75	0	4	2	0	0	0	2	2	50%	50%
VALLEY HOSPITAL (Palmer)	181.75	0	4	0	0	0	1	1	3	25%	0%
TOTAL:			751	453	70	24	*67	614	137	82%	70%

* - beds certified ICF only.
 ** - includes VA, private pay, insurance, and other.

NOTE: Retro rate for Heritage Place effective 7/1/90.


 KAREN MARTZ
 DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE (907) 561-2171
 DATE 1/9/91

Alaska Nursing Home Census

PRIVATE PAY/INSURANCE RESIDENTS IN NURSING HOMES
FY 91

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PRIVATE PAY nursing home residents in 1990-91.

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private pay nursing home residents

Box 71932
Fairbanks, 99707

Representative Bert Sharp
Alaska State Legislature
Box V, Juneau 99811

February 7, 1991

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attachments

DOCUMENTS WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN
FILMED BUT ARE AVAILABLE IN THE
ORIGINAL FILE INCLUDE:

letters of support

HB 20

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 3/2/92

FURTHER:

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: 5-6-92

The Finance Committee considered OS/SS/HB 20 (FINANCE)

"An Act relating to qualifications for longevity bonus payments; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends:

- replace with _____ CS _____ (FINANCE)
- or adopt previous _____ CS _____ (_____)
- attaches amendment(s)

- same title
- new title
- technical title change (HB only)

adopts _____ Letter of Intent

further referral to the _____

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

NEW FISCAL NOTES: Dept/Date

zero fiscal notes _____

fiscal notes _____

MDA 197.0 (3-1-92)

appropriation--no fiscal note

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTES: Dept/Date

zero fiscal notes DMSS

fiscal notes _____

DO PASS:

[Handwritten signatures]

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. do pass
Co-Chair: Signature/Recommendation

2. _____
Co-Chair: Signature/Recommendation

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CSSSHB 20 (FIN)

Revision Date: _____

Department Affected: Administration

Title: Longevity Bonus for Nursing Home Residents

BRU: Longevity Bonus

Component: Grants

Sponsor: Representative Sharp

Requestor: _____

COMPONENT

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Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	0	0	0	0	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL OPERATING	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0

CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:	0	0	0	0	0	0
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER FUND SOURCE:	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0	87.0

POSITIONS:

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

Estimate of current year impact: None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

See attached.

Prepared by: Dennis L. DeWitt, Director

Phone: 465 - 4400

Division: Pioneers' Benefits

Date: _____

Approved by Commissioner: Nancy Bear Usera

Agency: Administration

Date: 5/1/92

Distribution (by preparer): Leg. Fin., Legislative Sponsor, Requestor, OMB/DBR, Gov. Legis. Ofc., & Impacted Agency(ies).

FISCAL NOTE

CS for Sponsor Substitute House Bill No. 20 (Finance)

February 26, 1992

Page 2 of 2

There are approximately 29 nursing home residents over 65 years of age who are fully private pay. This estimate was arrived from a telephone survey of private long-term care facilities during December 1991.

The above calculation does not include residents of the skilled nursing sections of the Pioneers' Homes or the Sourdough Unit at Harborview, Valdez.

The effect of this bill on Medicaid/hold harmless provisions is not addressed in above calculations.

29 residents at \$3000 a year = \$87,000 for FY 93

Assumes effective date July 1, 1992.

FISCAL NOTE

No. 5

Bill Version: CSSSHB 20 (FIN)

(H) Publish Date: 2/21/92

STATE OF ALASKA

1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Revision Date: 2/20/92

Department Affected: H&SS

Title: An act relating to qualifications for longevity bonus payments; and providing for an effective date

BRU: Medicaid

Component: Medicaid Facilities

Sponsor: Sharp

Requestor:

COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:	0	0	0	0	0	0
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FUNDING (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER FUND SOURCE:	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS:

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

Estimate of current year impact: NONE

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

See attached note

Prepared By: Kimberly B. Busch

Phone: 465-3355

Division: Medical Assistance

Date: 2-20-92

Approved by Commissioner: Brian L. G. H.

Agency: Health and Social Services

Date: 2/21/92

Distribution (by Preparer: Leg. Fin., Legislative Sponsor, Requestor, OMB/DBR, Gov. Legis. Ofc., & Impacted Agencies)

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FISCAL NOTE ATTACHMENT

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CSSSHB 20(FIN)

2-21-92

CSSSHB 20 would have no effect on the Medicaid budget, nor would it affect expenditures in the longevity bonus hold-harmless program (0231), as no bonus payment would be made to persons whose cost of care was being paid in whole or in part by Medicaid.

Industry sources estimate that there may be about 31 private pay individuals in private (non-Pioneers' Homes) nursing homes at any given point. From data about Medicaid recipients, we would reason that at least half of these may meet the age and residency requirement of the bonus program. Presumably, monthly bonus income would assist them in meeting the costs of their care or continuing premiums for a private long-term-care insurance policy. However, the costs of nursing home care are so high in comparison to the bonus payment that we do not anticipate that bonus income would reduce Medicaid expenditures by noticeably delaying a private pay patients' empty into the Medicaid program.

COMMITTEE COPY

CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 20 (FINANCE)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 2/21/92

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES SHARP, Taylor, Gonzales, Gruenberg, Ivan, Martin, M.A.Miller, G.Phillips,
Hudson, Zawacki, Leman

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to qualifications for longevity bonus payments; and providing for an
2 effective date."

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

4 * Section 1. AS 47.45.070 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (c) Notwithstanding (a)(2) of this section, a person who resides in a nursing home who
6 meets the age and residence requirements of this chapter qualifies for the bonus if the costs of
7 care of the person at the nursing home are paid for entirely from private sources.

8 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect July 1, 1992.

Alaska State Legislature

REPRESENTATIVE
BERT SHARP

DISTRICT 20

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House of Representatives

SPONSOR STATEMENT
CSSS HB 20
February 21, 1992

This bill will correct the 1985 legislation, which by a broad brush approach, made all nursing home residents ineligible for longevity bonus payments. Care for many nursing home residents is born entirely by the state and federal governments. It makes sense that longevity bonus payments be withheld from individuals receiving subsidized nursing care, thereby avoiding the loss of state and federal medicaid participation. Retaining these funds also helps the state offset its share of this heavy health care burden.

There is a small percentage of nursing home residents who pay their total nursing home charges, ranging from \$5,000 to \$9,000 a month, entirely from private resources, until their savings are exhausted. This legislation is designed to correct a discriminatory disenfranchisement action. If any elder citizens deserve the longevity bonus, it's this small group of self-sustaining seniors.

Under this proposed legislation, a person residing in a nursing home would be eligible to continue receiving a longevity bonus payment, if the costs of care of the person residing in the nursing home are paid entirely from private sources.

It is also a fair assumption that the majority of the longevity bonus funds received by these nursing home residents would eventually be used to continue the self-pay option for a few more months, thereby providing an offset to future state medicaid costs.



REPRESENTING
GOLDEN HEART
OF ALASKA

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HB 21

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 21
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVES BARNES, Donley, Ulmer

Introduced: 1/25/91

Referred: Judiciary, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to the crime of criminal mischief."

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

3 * Section 1. AS 11.46.482(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) A person commits the crime of criminal mischief in the second degree if, having no
5 right to do so or any reasonable ground to believe the person has such a right,

6 (1) with intent to damage property of another, the person damages property of
7 another in an amount of \$500 or more;

8 (2) the person tampers with an oil or gas pipeline or supporting facility or an
9 airplane or helicopter with reckless disregard for the risk of harm to or loss of the property;

10 (3) the person recklessly creates a risk of damage in an amount exceeding
11 \$100,000 to property of another by the use of widely dangerous means; [OR]

12 (4) the person drives, tows away, or takes the propelled vehicle of another and
13 the vehicle or any other property of another is damaged or the owner incurs reasonable expenses
14 as a result of the loss of use of the vehicle in a total amount of \$500 or more; or

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(5) the person drives, fows away, or takes the propelled vehicle of another

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and the vehicle is marked as a police or emergency vehicle.

HB 25

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

7/10/92
Today's
Calendar

(11)

Date Referred: February 19, 1991

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: 4/09/92

The FINANCE Committee considered:

HB 25

HOUSE BILL NO. 25

INCREASE UNIT VALUE OF STATE SCHOOL AID

"An Act relating to the instructional unit value in the public school foundation formula."

RECOMMENDATIONS:

be replaced with CS HB 25 (Fini) the same title a new title

have attached amendments(s)

do pass

do not pass

no recommendations

individual recommendations

additional referral to the _____ Committee

ADOPTS: _____ letter of Intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S): (Dept)

APPROVES PREVIOUS: (Dept/Date)

fiscal impact _____

fiscal note(s) _____

zero fiscal note _____

zero fiscal note(s) _____

SIGNING DO PASS:

SIGNING OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

	Check appropriate column:	Do Not Pass	No Rec	Amend
<u>Eileen Muehler</u> MACKLEAN				
<u>Mike Swane</u> NAVARRE	<u>General Bannes</u> BANNES	X		
<u>Mark Boyer</u> BOYER	<u>ROO E (ROO) PHILLIPS</u> PHILLIPS		✓	
<u>Jan Brown</u> BROWN				
<u>Al Koponen</u> KOPONEN				
<u>Greg Jalko</u> JALCO				
<u>Ronald Larson</u> LARSON				
<u>Ann Ulmer</u> ULMER				

Mike Swane NAVARRE E P Muehler MACKLEAN
Co - Chairman's Signature

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 25 (FINANCE)
 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
 SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered:

Referred:

Funding Information:	General Fund	\$732,455,234
	Other Funds	<u>49,833,000</u>
		\$782,288,234

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES CARNEY, Ellis, B.Davis
 A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act making appropriations to the Department of Education for support of
 2 kindergarten, primary, and secondary education and community schools programs and for
 3 school construction debt retirement; and providing for an effective date."

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

5 * Section 1. (a) The sum of \$654,685,034 is appropriated from the general fund and from other
 6 funds in the amounts listed to the Department of Education for the purposes expressed and allocated in
 7 the amounts listed for operating expenditures for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993:

8	FUND SOURCE	AMOUNT
9	General fund	\$597,362,334
10	General fund/mental health trust income account	
11	(AS 37.14.011)	7,489,700
12	Public school trust fund (AS 37.14.110)	8,309,000
13	School fund (AS 43.50.140)	2,700,000
14	P.L. 81-874	20,624,000

1	Federal receipts other than	
2	P.L. 81-874	18,200,000
3	PURPOSE	ALLOCATION AMOUNT
4	Foundation program	\$584,595,834
5	Student lunch program	18,100,000
6	Cigarette tax distribution	2,700,000
7	Tuition students	13,878,500
8	Boarding home grants	230,000
9	Youth in detention	800,000
10	Schools for the handicapped	3,077,500
11	Pupil transportation	28,572,000
12	Community schools	600,000
13	Additional district support	2,131,200

14 (b) The amount allocated under (a) of this section for additional district support is further
15 allocated to the following school districts in the amounts listed:

16	SCHOOL DISTRICT	ALLOCATION AMOUNT
17	Cordova City School District	\$ 187,800
18	Craig City School District	165,600
19	Dillingham City School District	234,000
20	Galena City School District	150,000
21	Hoonah City School District	165,600
22	Hydaburg City School District	96,600
23	Kake City School District	129,600
24	Klawock City School District	143,400
25	Nenana City School District	155,400
26	Pelican City School District	58,200
27	St. Mary's City School District	127,800
28	Skagway City School District	111,000
29	Tanana City School District	122,400
30	Unalaska City School District	157,800
31	Yakutat City School District	126,000

1 * Sec. 2. (a) The sum of \$127,603,200 is appropriated from the general fund to the Alaska debt
2 retirement fund (AS 37.15.011).

3 (b) The sum of \$127,603,200 is appropriated from the Alaska debt retirement fund
4 (AS 37.15.011) to the Department of Education for state aid for costs of school construction under
5 AS 14.11.100.

6 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect July 1, 1992.

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 25 (FINANCE)
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered:
Referred:

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES CARNEY, Ellis, B.Davis

A BILL
FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act increasing the instructional unit value in the public school foundation formula;
2 and providing for an effective date."

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

4 * Section 1. AS 14.17.056 is amended to read:

5 Sec. 14.17.056. INSTRUCTIONAL UNIT VALUE. The instructional unit value is
6 \$63,000 [\$60,000].

7 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect July 1, 1991.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1991 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CS HB 25(FIN)

Revision Date: _____ Department Affected: Department of Education
 Title: Increase Unit Value of BRU: Public School Foundation Program
State School approps. Component: _____

Sponsor: Representative Carney
 Requestor: HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS	33,258.0	33,258.0	33,258.0	33,258.0	33,258.0	33,258.0
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	33,258.0	33,258.0	33,258.0	33,258.0	33,258.0	33,258.0

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	33,258.0	33,258.0	33,258.0	33,258.0	33,258.0	33,258.0
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	33,258.0	33,258.0	33,258.0	33,258.0	33,258.0	33,258.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: _____

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.) Variables such as student population growth and changing local tax base values will cause the future year impacts to change.

Prepared By: Representative Mike Navarre, Co-Chair Phone: 465-3706
Representative Eileen MacLean, Co-Chair Phone: 465-3722
 Division: HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE Date: May 1, 1991

Approved by Commissioner: _____ Date: _____
 Agency: _____

Distribution (by preparer): Legislative Finance, Legislative Sponsor, Requestor, OMB, & Impacted Agency(ies).

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1991 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CS HB 25 (HES)

Revision Date: 4/30/91 Department Affected: Education
 Title: Instructional Unit Value in the BRU: K-12 Support
Public School Foundation Formula Component: Foundation
 Sponsor: House HES
 Requestor: House Finance COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS. CLAIMS	74,632.6	98,038.1	122,182.7	147,099.9	172,812.4	199,353.5
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	74,632.6	98,038.1	122,182.7	147,099.9	172,812.4	199,353.5

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	74,632.6	98,038.1	122,182.7	147,099.9	172,812.4	199,353.5
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	74,632.6	98,038.1	122,182.7	147,099.9	172,812.4	199,353.5

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

This analysis assumes a unit value increase of 3.2% annually in FY93 and subsequent years; it compares the projected cost with the FY91 final authorization of \$526,467.1. No accommodation is made for anticipated enrollment increases.

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 Division: Commissioner's Office Date: 4/30/91
 Approved by Commissioner: Steve Mote, Acting Commissioner
 Agency: Education Date: 4/30/91

Distribution (by preparer): Legislative Finance, Legislative Sponsor, Requestor, OMB, & Impacted Agency(ies).

CS HB 25 (HESS): The Instructional Unit Value in the public school foundation formula

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	<u>FY92</u>	<u>FY93</u>	<u>FY94</u>	<u>FY95</u>	<u>FY96</u>	<u>FY97</u>
FY92 Full Funding under current law:	541,746.2					
CSHB 25 additional cost	59,353.5					
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CSHB 25 Foundation Full (est)	601,099.7	624,505.2	648,649.8	673,567.0	699,279.5	725,820.6
vs.						
FY91 Final Authorization	526,467.1	526,467.1	526,467.1	526,467.1	526,467.1	526,467.1
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Difference	74,632.6	98,038.1	122,182.7	147,099.9	172,812.4	199,353.5

Assumptions:

This analysis assumes a unit value increase of 3.2% annually in FY93 and subsequent years. This percentage increase is an estimate only.

No accommodation for anticipated enrollment increases is included in this analysis.

This analysis compares the cost of implementing CSHB 25 (HES) to the FY91 final authorization of \$526,467.1 (this includes the recently adopted supplemental appropriation).

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
 PROJECTED FY92 FUNDATION PROGRAM ENTITLEMENT
 PREPARED 2/13/91

BASED ON HB25
 UNIT VALUE OF \$65,300

PROJECTED FY92 FOUNDATION ENTITLEMENT

ADAK	\$2,566,390
ALASKA GATEWAY	\$4,775,806
ALEUTIAN REGION	\$748,149
ALEUTIANS EAST	\$3,256,510
ANCHORAGE	\$179,931,018
ANNETTE ISLANDS	\$1,530,076
BERING STRAIT	\$14,202,145
BRISTOL BAY	\$1,879,282
CHATHAM	\$2,865,489
CHUGACH	\$1,563,180
COPPER RIVER	\$5,557,181
CORDOVA	\$2,513,659
CRAIG	\$2,346,525
DELTA/GREELY	\$4,705,849
DILLINGHAM	\$3,242,557
FAIRBANKS	\$66,876,299
GALENA	\$1,334,749
HAINES	\$2,498,508
HOONAH	\$1,547,176
HYDABURG	\$1,071,952
IDITAROD	\$4,841,921
JUNEAU	\$22,934,026
KAKE	\$1,149,582
KASHUNAMIUT	\$1,553,783
KENAI	\$44,046,489
KETCHIKAN	\$11,593,538
KLAWOCK	\$1,418,009
KODIAK	\$13,280,940
KUSPUK	\$5,142,945
LAKE AND PENINSULA	\$6,031,163
LOWER KUSKOKWIM	\$30,708,228
LOWER YUKON	\$11,131,940
MAT-SU	\$47,413,178
NENANA	\$1,642,561
NOME	\$5,398,804
NORTH SLOPE	\$9,219,695
NORTHWEST ARCTIC	\$12,918,876
PELICAN	\$615,719
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YUKON FLATS	\$5,259,418
YUKON/KOYUKUK	\$6,011,439
YUPIIT	\$3,897,804
STATE CORR. STUDY	\$5,836,188
MT. EDGE CUMBE SCHOOL	\$1,652,573
VALDEZ CONTRACT	\$600,000
4 MILL PHASE-IN (SUBSIDY)	\$15,545
PL81-874 PASS THRU	\$1,277,192
ESTIMATED PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENTS	\$1,500,000

ESTIMATED ENTITLEMENT AS OF 2/13/91

\$601,099,727

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1991 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CS HB25 (HESS)

Revision Date: _____ Department Affected: Education
 Title: The Instructional Unit value in BRU: K-12 Support
the public school foundation Component: Foundation
 Sponsor: Carney
 Requestor: House HESS COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS	95,674.6	160,022.8	230,037.6	306,211.8	389,094.0	479,266.6
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	95,674.6	160,022.8	230,037.6	306,211.8	389,094.0	479,266.6

CAPITAL						
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TOTAL	95,674.6	160,022.8	230,037.6	306,211.8	389,094.0	479,266.6

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

UNIT VALUE 65,300 71,046 77,298 84,100 91,501 99,553
 Estimate of current year impact: None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.) This fiscal analysis assumes a unit value increase of 8.8% annually; it compares the projected cost of CSHB25 (HESS) with the FY91 authorization of \$505,425.1. No accommodation is made for anticipated enrollment increases.

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 Agency: Education Date: 3/6/91

Distribution (by preparer): Legislative Finance, Legislative Sponsor, Requestor, OMB, & Impacted Agency(ies).

CS HB 25 (HESS): The Instructional Unit Value in the public school foundation formula

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CSHB 25 additional cost	59,353.5					

CSHB 25 Foundation Full (est)	601,099.7	665,447.9	735,462.7	811,636.9	894,519.1	984,691.7
vs.						
FY91 Authorized	505,425.1	505,425.1	505,425.1	505,425.1	505,425.1	505,425.1
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Difference	95,674.6	160,022.8	230,037.6	306,211.8	389,094.0	479,266.6

Assumptions:

This analysis assumes a unit value increase of 8.8% annually. This percentage increase was used since it is the FY92 increase included in HB 25 and the Department of Labor could not provide any better estimate of future year CPI indices.

No accommodation for anticipated enrollment increases is included in this analysis.

This analysis compares the cost of implementing CSHB 25 (HESS) to the FY91 authorization of \$505,425.1.

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
 PROJECTED FY92 FOUNDATION PROGRAM ENTITLEMENT
 PREPARED 2/13/91

BASED ON HB25
 UNIT VALUE OF \$65,300

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 FOUNDATION
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ESTIMATED ENTITLEMENT AS OF 2/13/91

\$601,099,727

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value of \$60,000 is increased by increments of \$1,000.

UNIT VALUE INCREASES BY >	\$	00	\$4,000	\$5,000	\$6,000	
ADAK	\$75,810	\$151,620	\$227,430	\$303,240	\$379,050	\$454,860
ALASKA GATEWAY	80,870	161,740	242,610	323,480	404,350	485,220
ALEUTIAN REGION	12,250	24,500	36,750	49,000	61,250	73,500
ALEUTIANS EAST	70,360	140,720	211,080	281,440	351,800	422,160
ANCHORAGE	3,636,310	7,272,620	10,908,930	14,545,240	18,181,550	21,817,860
ANNETTE ISLANDS	43,990	87,980	131,970	175,960	219,950	263,940
BERING STRAIT	287,310	574,620	861,930	1,149,240	1,436,550	1,723,860
BRISTOL BAY	47,360	94,720	142,080	189,440	236,800	284,160
CHATHAM	60,500	121,000	181,500	242,000	302,500	363,000
CHUGACH	31,260	62,520	93,780	125,040	156,300	187,560
COPPER RIVER	89,550	179,100	268,650	358,200	447,750	537,300
CORDOVA	49,850	99,700	149,550	199,400	249,250	299,100
CRAIG	33,420	66,840	100,260	133,680	167,100	200,520
DELTA/GREELY	93,740	187,480	281,220	374,960	468,700	562,440
DILLINGHAM	73,900	147,800	221,700	295,600	369,500	443,400
FAIRBANKS	1,250,000	2,500,000	3,750,000	5,000,000	6,250,000	7,500,000
GALENA	27,010	54,020	81,030	108,040	135,050	162,060
HAINES	45,450	90,900	136,350	181,800	227,250	272,700
HOONAH	28,370	56,740	85,110	113,480	141,850	170,220
HYDABURG	18,040	36,080	54,120	72,160	90,200	108,240
IDITAROD	88,630	177,260	265,890	354,520	443,150	531,780
JUNEAU	440,420	880,840	1,321,260	1,761,680	2,202,100	2,642,520
KAKE	22,730	45,460	68,190	90,920	113,650	136,380
KASHUNAMIUT	33,990	67,980	101,970	135,960	169,950	203,940
KENAI	911,610	1,823,220	2,734,830	3,646,440	4,558,050	5,469,660
KETCHIKAN	224,280	448,560	672,840	897,120	1,121,400	1,345,680
KLAWOCK	26,020	52,040	78,060	104,080	130,100	156,120
KODIAK	255,790	511,580	767,370	1,023,160	1,278,950	1,534,740
KUSPUK	92,610	185,220	277,830	370,440	463,050	555,660
LAKE AND PENINSULA	105,570	211,140	316,710	422,280	527,850	633,420
LOWER KUSKOKWIM	564,000	1,128,000	1,692,000	2,256,000	2,820,000	3,384,000
LOWER YUKON	244,200	488,400	732,600	976,800	1,221,000	1,465,200
MAT-SU	940,260	1,880,520	2,820,780	3,761,040	4,701,300	5,641,560
NENANA	26,390	52,780	79,170	105,560	131,950	158,340
NOME	92,810	185,620	278,430	371,240	464,050	556,860
NORTH SLOPE	233,480	466,960	700,440	933,920	1,167,400	1,400,380
NORTHWEST ARCTIC	277,360	554,720	832,080	1,109,440	1,386,800	1,664,160
PELICAN	10,290	20,580	30,870	41,160	51,450	61,740
PETERSBURG	63,550	127,100	190,650	254,200	317,750	381,300
PRIBILOF	31,490	62,980	94,470	125,960	157,450	188,940
RAILBELT	52,840	105,680	158,520	211,360	264,200	317,040
SITKA	149,640	299,280	448,920	598,560	748,200	897,840
SKAGWAY	18,330	36,660	54,990	73,320	91,650	109,980
SOUTHEAST	94,410	188,820	283,230	377,640	472,050	566,460
SOUTHWEST	111,480	222,960	334,440	445,920	557,400	668,880
ST. MARY'S	21,530	43,060	64,590	86,120	107,650	129,180
TANANA	20,290	40,580	60,870	81,160	101,450	121,740
UNALASKA	41,340	82,680	124,020	165,360	206,700	248,040
VALDEZ	77,850	155,700	233,550	311,400	389,250	467,100
WRANGELL	49,770	99,540	149,310	199,080	248,850	298,620
YAKUTAT	19,840	39,680	59,520	79,360	99,200	119,040
YUKON FLATS	85,690	171,380	257,070	342,760	428,450	514,140
YUKON/KOYUKUK	116,300	232,600	348,900	465,200	581,500	697,800
YUPIIT	77,250	154,500	231,750	309,000	386,250	463,500
SUB - TOTALS	11,682,430	23,364,860	35,047,290	46,729,720	58,412,150	70,094,580
STATE CORR. STUDY	91,160	182,320	273,480	364,640	455,800	546,960
MT. EDGEcombe SCHOOL	26,120	52,240	78,360	104,480	130,600	156,720
VALDEZ CONTRACT	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 MILL PHASE-IN (SUBSIDY)	0	0	0	0	0	0
PL81-874 PASS THRU	0	0	0	0	0	0
EST. PRIOR YEAR ADJ.	0	0	0	0	0	0
FY93 EST. INCREASES	\$11,799,710	\$23,599,420	\$35,399,130	\$47,198,840	\$58,998,550	\$70,798,260

This spreadsheet reflects the total FY93 foundation entitlements if the unit value of \$60,000 is increased by increments of \$1,000.

ADJUSTED UNIT VALUE >	\$61,000	\$62,000	\$63,000	\$64,000	\$65,000	\$66,000
ADAK	\$2,419,400	\$2,495,210	\$2,571,020	\$2,646,830	\$2,722,640	\$2,798,450
ALASKA GATEWAY	4,433,780	4,514,650	4,595,520	4,676,390	4,757,260	4,838,130
ALEUTIAN REGION	648,764	661,014	673,264	685,514	697,764	710,014
ALEUTIANS EAST	3,955,164	4,025,524	4,095,884	4,166,244	4,236,604	4,306,964
ANCHORAGE	180,607,972	184,244,282	187,880,592	191,516,902	195,153,212	198,789,522
ANNETTE ISLANDS	1,236,243	1,280,233	1,324,223	1,368,213	1,412,203	1,456,193
BERING STRAIT	13,450,043	13,737,353	14,024,663	14,311,973	14,599,283	14,886,593
BRISTOL BAY	1,933,845	1,981,205	2,028,565	2,075,925	2,123,285	2,170,645
CHATHAM	2,775,584	2,836,084	2,896,584	2,957,084	3,017,584	3,078,084
CHUGACH	1,778,170	1,809,430	1,840,690	1,871,950	1,903,210	1,934,470
COPPER RIVER	5,342,142	5,431,692	5,521,242	5,610,792	5,700,342	5,789,892
CORDOVA	2,432,143	2,483,493	2,533,343	2,583,193	2,633,043	2,682,893
CRAIG	2,108,433	2,146,853	2,185,273	2,223,693	2,262,113	2,300,533
DELTA/GREELY	4,808,706	4,902,446	4,996,186	5,089,926	5,183,666	5,277,406
DILLINGHAM	3,742,935	3,816,835	3,890,735	3,964,635	4,038,535	4,112,435
AIRBANKS	63,497,271	64,747,271	65,997,271	67,247,271	68,497,271	69,747,271
FALENA	1,372,789	1,399,799	1,426,809	1,453,819	1,480,829	1,507,839
FAINES	2,281,817	2,327,267	2,372,717	2,418,167	2,463,617	2,509,067
FOONAH	1,568,058	1,596,428	1,624,798	1,653,168	1,681,538	1,709,908
FYDABURG	1,072,473	1,090,513	1,108,553	1,126,593	1,144,633	1,162,673
GITAROD	4,747,186	4,835,816	4,924,446	5,013,076	5,101,706	5,190,336
UNEAU	20,932,642	21,373,062	21,813,482	22,253,902	22,694,322	23,134,742
LAKE	1,158,968	1,181,698	1,204,428	1,227,158	1,249,888	1,272,618
ASHUNAMIUT	1,655,659	1,689,649	1,723,639	1,757,629	1,791,619	1,825,609
ENAI	41,455,268	42,366,878	43,278,488	44,190,098	45,101,708	46,013,318
ETCHIKAN	10,011,279	10,235,559	10,459,839	10,684,119	10,908,399	11,132,679
LAWOCK	1,436,369	1,462,389	1,488,409	1,514,429	1,540,449	1,566,469
ODIAK	12,425,343	12,681,133	12,936,923	13,192,713	13,448,503	13,704,293
USPUK	5,200,608	5,293,218	5,385,828	5,478,438	5,571,048	5,663,658
LAKE AND PENINSULA	5,674,274	5,779,844	5,885,414	5,990,984	6,096,554	6,202,124
LOWER KUSKOKWIM	28,906,526	29,470,526	30,034,526	30,598,526	31,162,526	31,726,526
LOWER YUKON	10,885,979	11,130,179	11,374,379	11,618,579	11,862,779	12,106,979
AT-SU	50,044,443	50,984,703	51,924,963	52,865,223	53,805,483	54,745,743
ENANA	1,545,127	1,571,517	1,597,907	1,624,297	1,650,687	1,677,077
OME	5,097,612	5,190,422	5,283,232	5,376,042	5,468,852	5,561,662
ORTH SLOPE	8,974,199	9,207,679	9,441,159	9,674,639	9,908,119	10,141,599
ORTHWEST ARCTIC	12,290,063	12,567,423	12,844,783	13,122,143	13,399,503	13,676,863
ELICAN	573,086	583,376	593,666	603,956	614,246	624,536
ETERSBURG	3,145,598	3,209,148	3,272,698	3,336,248	3,399,798	3,463,348
RIBILOF	1,494,203	1,525,693	1,557,183	1,588,673	1,620,163	1,651,653
AILBELT	3,203,352	3,256,192	3,309,032	3,361,872	3,414,712	3,467,552
TKA	7,032,612	7,182,252	7,331,892	7,481,532	7,631,172	7,780,812
KAGWAY	865,969	884,299	902,629	920,959	939,289	957,619
SOUTHEAST	5,031,050	5,125,460	5,219,870	5,314,280	5,408,690	5,503,100
SOUTHWEST	5,478,456	5,589,936	5,701,416	5,812,896	5,924,376	6,035,856
T MARY'S	1,261,585	1,283,115	1,304,645	1,326,175	1,347,705	1,369,235
ANANA	1,089,508	1,109,798	1,130,088	1,150,378	1,170,668	1,190,958
NALASKA	1,720,590	1,761,930	1,803,270	1,844,610	1,885,950	1,927,290
ALDEZ	3,280,232	3,358,122	3,436,012	3,513,902	3,591,792	3,669,682
RANGELL	2,496,114	2,545,884	2,595,654	2,645,424	2,695,194	2,744,964
AKUTAT	1,118,322	1,138,162	1,158,002	1,177,842	1,197,682	1,217,522
YUKON FLATS	4,696,090	4,781,780	4,867,470	4,953,160	5,038,850	5,124,540
YUKON/KOYUKUK	5,917,552	6,033,852	6,150,152	6,266,452	6,382,752	6,499,052
JPIIT	3,751,466	3,828,716	3,905,966	3,983,216	4,060,466	4,137,716
JB - TOTALS	576,064,562	587,746,992	599,429,422	611,111,852	622,794,282	634,476,712
STATE CORR. STUDY	5,560,760	5,651,920	5,743,080	5,834,240	5,925,400	6,016,560
T. EDGE CUMBE SCHOOL	1,593,320	1,619,440	1,645,560	1,671,680	1,697,800	1,723,920
ALDEZ CONTRACT	600,000	600,000	600,000	600,000	600,000	600,000
MILL PHASE-IN (SUBSIDY)	0	0	0	0	0	0
81-874 PASS THRU	1,277,192	1,277,192	1,277,192	1,277,192	1,277,192	1,277,192
ST. PRIOR YEAR ADJ.	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000
93 EST. INCREASES	\$586,595,834	\$598,395,544	\$610,195,254	\$621,994,964	\$633,794,674	\$645,594,384

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative Eileen MacLean, Co-Chair
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FROM: Representative George Jacko, Jr.

DATE: February 5, 1992

SUBJECT: Funding for Single Site School Districts

I respectfully request your support for the inclusion of Single Site Funding in House Bill 25. I have enclosed several impact statements from several single site school districts for your consideration. Each of these schools has received funding in years past to compensate for the inequities single site schools face in the formula. The first two are from the communities in my district which are affected. The other letters are from communities in Representative Georgianna Lincoln's district.

To eliminate this funding would result in costly program cuts in each of these communities. These schools have already cut most extras. Further cuts are going to directly effect the basic programs such as Mathematics, English and Science. In one case, for example, described in the Dillingham City School District letter, such cuts would raise the pupil/teacher ratio -- from 18 to 1 to 27 to 1!

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. If there is any further information I can provide, please don't hesitate to contact myself or Ingrid Jacobsen, of my staff, at 465-4942.