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February 26, 1999

Senator John Torgerson
Co-Chair, Senate Finance Committee
Juneau, Alaska

Re: CS for Senate Bill 7 State lands for the University of Alaska

Dear Senator Torgerson,

Here we go again! This bill has been around for at least a year or two. I have opposed it in the past, and go on record as opposing it now.

The University of Alaska is financially in trouble. They are an education entity, not a Real Estate entity. To put them into the real estate business will merely aggravate an already bad situation by forcing the hiring of more persons to do that job, when what they need are the dollars up front to protect the investment we have and provide education to our people. This is not good policy for the state for many reasons.

Giving state land to the University will be detrimental to wildlife, recreation and tourism, and will put community water sources at risk, because, the University would be exempt from all public review. Our State lands belong to ALL OF US, and we have the right to expect to have a voice in how those lands will be utilized. Under no circumstances should they just be given to the University. There would be no accountability, and, local economics could lose valuable options and jobs. Case in point is the timber sales at Yakataga where the University totally ignored local processing and local hire opportunities. Aggressive development of UA lands puts local development options at risk.

Recreation access would be curtailed. As you know, in the Homer area this is grave concern, as more and more private lands choke off recreational access to the back country. It is imperative such options are left open.

As stated above, the University is in financial trouble. The smartest thing this state could do, is to support the university through regular appropriations, and not through short sighted land giveaways. Let the university concentrate on what they do best - teach. Why are so many of our young people studying outside? Why is this talent lost to Alaska? The answer lies with every one of us. Our university is being allowed to flounder. It is time the Legislature supports higher education with adequate, regular appropriations.

I urge you to vote NO on SB7.

Thank you.

Very sincerely,



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To: Senator John Torgerson
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Fax: 907-465-4779

Re: University Lands Bill - Senate Bill 7

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Sincerely,

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ALASKA STATE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Position 99-12

University of Alaska Land Grant

The Alaska State Chamber of Commerce supports the conveyance of state and federal land to the University of Alaska as follows:

- 250,000 acres of State land
- 250,000 acres of Federal land
- An optional 250,000 acres of Federal land to match state land

Rationale:

The Alaska State Chamber recognizes the valuable contribution an academically strong and financially secure state university system can make to Alaska's future. Management of its land provides the University system with a source of recurring revenues.

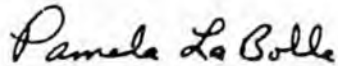
Congress established the University of Alaska as a land grant institution at the time of Statehood and promised 250,000 acres of income producing land to provide a means of support for public higher education in the state. Less than one-third, or 112,000 acres have been actually transferred.

In managing its current land portfolio, the University has demonstrated it can meet, and exceed, the requirements of responsible land development. Conveyance of state and federal lands to the University for appropriate development will enhance economic opportunities on many fronts.

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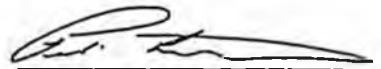
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Senator Robin L. Taylor

SPONSOR STATEMENT

SENATE BILL 7

“Relating to the University of Alaska and university land, and authorizing the University of Alaska to select additional state land.”

The University of Alaska system was created under federal authority as a land grant institution to provide for the higher education requirements of Alaska's people in perpetuity. Most colleges established under the land grant program were endowed with sizable land bases from which to generate income to be used for operating purposes. Unlike most institutions in the lower 48 states, the University of Alaska does not have the relatively larger population base and proximity to other support services that are so beneficial. The University of Alaska also suffers from a smaller pool of alumni and other normal sources of endowment income which many institutions rely on to help support operations, especially subsidies from teaching positions.

In the past decade several legislators have introduced legislation allowing the University of Alaska to select additional lands from the State. The purpose of all legislative attempts to provide more land for the University statewide system has been to provide more income producing assets as monetary resources are becoming scarcer and more unpredictable. This bill continues that effort to give the University of Alaska a larger more productive land base. The bill also provides clear expectations that land conveyed is to be used for the development of value added industries where appropriate.

The provisions of SB 7 allow the University of Alaska to select 250,000 acres of state land. Land selected for transfer would include interests in minerals and to oil and gas subject to certain limitations. Certain lands would be exempt from selection, such as:

- * lands subject to a coal lease or where a lease application is pending,
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It is this sponsor's hope, that this legislation will enable the University of Alaska to begin making its way toward equal footing with other land grant universities around the Nation.

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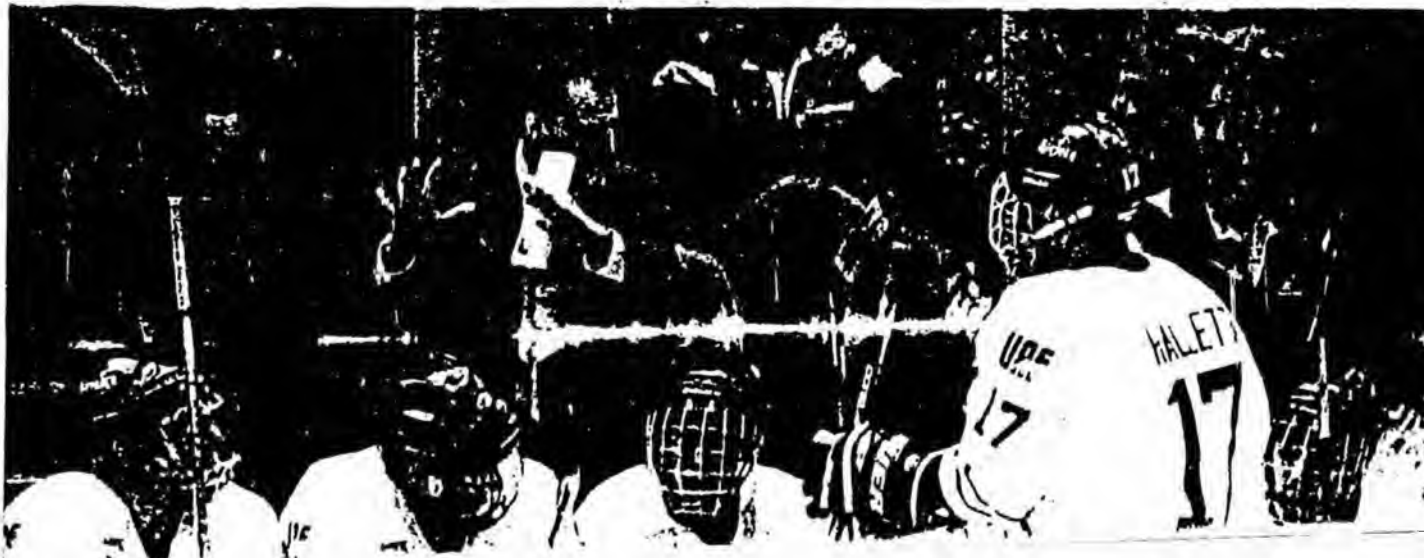
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Legislative Resources

Mr. President, in my State of Alaska the University of Alaska is the oldest post-secondary school. The university was chartered prior to statehood and has played a vital role in educating Alaskans as well as students from around the world. The expertise of the university has been in many areas, mining, agriculture, arctic and subarctic sciences.

Additionally, the university has served as an important cornerstone in the history of our State. For example, the university housed the Alaska Constitutional Convention where the fathers of our statehood act carved out the rights and privileges guaranteed to Alaskan citizens. Further, Mr. President, the university is proud of the fact that it began life as the Alaska Agricultural and Mining College. However, Mr. President, what makes the University of Alaska unique is the fact that it is the only land-grant college in the Nation that is virtually landless today.

As some of my colleagues know, one of the oldest and most respected ways of financing America's educational system has been from the land-grant system. This was established in 1785 and the practice gives land to schools and universities for their use in supporting their educational endeavors. In 1862, Congress passed what was then known as the Morrill Act, which created the land-grant colleges and universities as a way to underwrite the cost of higher education to more and more of America's young people. These colleges and universities received land from the Federal Government for facility location, and more importantly as a way to provide for sustaining revenues to those educational institutions.

Mr. President, the University of Alaska received the smallest amount of land of any State, with the exception of Delaware that has a land-grant college. Delaware received about 90,000 acres. Even the land-grant college in Rhode Island received more land from the Federal Government than has the University of Alaska. Rhode Island received 120,000 acres.

In a State the size of Alaska, about 365 million acres, we should logically have one of the best and most fully funded land-grant colleges in the country.

Yet, to date, the University of Alaska only has about 111,000 acres. Unfortunately, without the land promised to Alaska under the land-grant allocation system in earlier legislation, the university is unable to share as one of the premier land-grant colleges in this country.

Previous efforts were made in Congress to fix this problem. These efforts date back to 1915, less than 50 years after the passage of the Morrill Act, when Alaska's delegate to Congress, Delegate James Wickersham shepherded a measure through Congress that set aside potentially more than a quarter of a million acres in the Tanana Valley outside Fairbanks for the support of an agriculture college and school of mines.

Following the practice established in the lower 48 States for the other land-grant colleges, Wickersham's bill set aside every section 33 of the unsurveyed Tanana Valley for the Alaska Agriculture College and Schools of Mines.

Alaska's educational future at that time looked favorable. Many Alaskans saw the opportunity to set up an endowment system similar to that set up by the University of Washington in the downtown center of Seattle, WA, where valuable university lands are leased providing funding for the university's maintenance and upkeep as well as some capital projects.

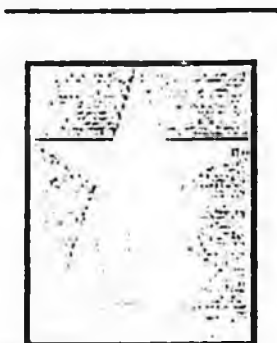
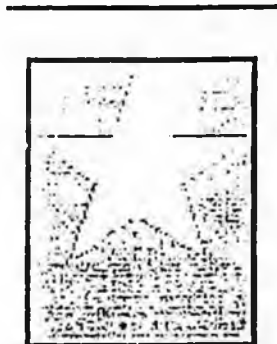
However, in Alaska's case, before the land could be transferred to the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines, renamed the University of Alaska in 1935, the land had to be surveyed in order to establish the exact acreage included in the reserve lands.

The section reserved for education could not be transferred to the college until they had been delineated. According to records at the time, it was unlikely given the incredibly slow speed of surveying that the land could be completely surveyed before the end of the current century. Surveying is still an extraordinarily slow process in Alaska's remote and unpopulated terrain.

In all, only 19 section 33's, or approximately 11,211 acres, were ever transferred to the University of Alaska. Of this, 2,250 acres were used for the original campus, and the remainder was left to the discretion of the board of regents to support educational programs and facilities.

Recognizing the difficulties of surveying in Alaska, subsequent legislation was passed in 1929 that simply granted land for the benefit of the university. This grant totaled approximately 100,000 acres, and to this day comprises the bulk of the university's total 111,211 acres of land--less than one-third of what was originally promised. In 1958, the Alaska Statehood Act was passed which extinguished the unfulfilled land grants. The university was thus left with little land with which to support itself and is thus unable to completely fulfill its mission as a land-grant college.

Mr. President, the legislation I am introducing today would redeem the promises made to the university in 1915 and put the university on an even footing with other land-grant colleges in the United States. It provides the university with the land needed to support itself financially and it offers the chance to grow and continue to act as a responsible steward of the land and educator of young Alaskans. It also provides a concrete timetable under which the university must select its land and the Secretary of Interior must act upon those selections.



This legislation also contains significant restrictions on the land that the university can select. The university cannot select land located within a conservation system unit, land validly conveyed to the State or an ANCSA corporation or land used in connection with Federal or military institutions.

Accordingly, Mr. President, under my bill, the university must relinquish extremely valuable inholdings in Alaska once it receives its second-tier State/Federal grant under section 6, of this bill. Therefore, the result of this legislation will mean, specifically, relinquishment of prime university inholdings in such magnificent areas as the Alaska Peninsula and Maritime National Wildlife Refuge, the Kenai Fjords National Park, Wrangell St. Elias National Park and Preserve and Denali Park and Preserve. Mr. President, not only does this bill uphold a decades-old promise to the University of Alaska, it further protects Alaska's unique parks and refuges.

Recognize, Mr. President, my bill requires the State to participate in the process, as well, under an option. Specifically, the bill would grant the university 250,000 acres of Federal land. The university would be eligible to receive another 250,000 acres of Federal land on a matching basis with the State, for a total of 500,000 additional acres. This would be at the option of the legislature, the Governor, and the university's board of regents

Mr. President, the State matching provision is an important component of this legislation. Most agree with the premise that the university was shorted land. However, some believe it is the sole responsibility of the Federal Government to compensate the university with land, while others believe it is solely the responsibility of the State to grant the university land. The legislation I am introducing today offers a compromise, a compromise giving both the State and the Federal Government the opportunity to contribute, as well as provide the Government with valuable inholdings in Federal parks and preserves.

With the passage of this bill, Mr. President, the University of Alaska will finally be able to act fully as a land grant college, and will be able to select lands that can provide the university with stable revenue sources, as well as provide responsible stewardship for the lands.

This is an exciting time for the University of Alaska. The promises that were made 82 years ago could be fulfilled with this legislation, and Alaskans could look forward to a very bright future for the university and the many Alaskans who receive an education there.

I ask unanimous consent, at this time, to have printed in the Record the proposed inholdings that the University has which would be deeded over to the Federal Government under this legislation, a history of the university of Alaska's land grant from the time we were designated as a territory, land grant rankings of all the States, as well as a copy of the bill.



SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

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SB 7-INCREASE LAND GRANT TO UNIV. OF ALASKA

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SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 3/23/99

FURTHER: 4/7/99

DATE TURNED
IN TO OFFICE: 4/8/99

Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 8

"An Act relating to the number of toilets in women's restrooms in certain facilities."

and recommends:

- be replaced with _____ CS SB 8 (FIN)
- adopt previous _____ CS _____
- attached amendment(s) forth coming
- adopt Letter of Intent by _____ CS
- further referral to the _____

- Senate Bill:**
- same title
 - new title
- House Bill:**
- same title
 - technical title
 - new: SCR# _____

SIGNING DO PASS	DP	OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS	NR	DNP	AM
<i>Kell & Kelly</i>	✓	<i>Linda Brand</i>			✓
<i>Gary Wilber</i>	✓	<i>Pete Kelly</i>	✓		
<i>Debra Souley</i>	✓	<i>De Adams</i>	X		
		<i>Kevin D. Lehman</i>	✓		
Co-Chair: <i>Johnson</i>	✓	Co-Chair:			
Co-Chair: <i>Alan R. Powell</i>		Co-Chair:			

NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department Date Zero Fiscal

DOTPF, Comm. Office	3/30/99	φ	

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):*

Department Date Zero Fiscal

APPROPRIATION -- no fiscal note

*include fiscal notes accompanying Governor's bill

FISCAL NOTE

S. J. 4/7/99

**STATE OF ALASKA
1999 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

BILL NO. CS SB8 (STA)

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction) _____	Dept. Affected	DOT&PF
Title <u>An Act relating to the number of toilets in womens restrooms in certain facilities</u>	BRU	<u>Commissioners Office</u>
Sponsor <u>Senator Donley</u>	Component	_____
Requester <u>(S) FIN</u>	Component Serial No.	_____

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
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	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Supplies	0.0	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	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

FUND SOURCE	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
1002 Federal Receipts	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1003 GF Match	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1004 GF	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1037 GF/Mental Health	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other (Specify Type)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY99) cost: 0.0

POSITIONS

POSITIONS	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
Full-time	0	0	0	0	0	0
Part-time	0	0	0	0	0	0
Temporary	0	0	0	0	0	0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

The bill, as written, has no fiscal affect on the Department.

Prepared by <u>Dennis Poshard, Legislative Liaison</u>	Phone <u>465-3904</u>
Division <u>Office of the Commissioner</u>	Date/Time <u>3/26/99 9:01 AM</u>
Approved by Commissioner <u>[Signature]</u>	Date <u>3/30/99</u>
Agency <u>Department of Transportation and Public Facilities</u>	

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1 Facilities," except that the ratios for lavatories to water closets for males in Table
 2 4.1 are one lavatory for each water closet up to four water closets, and one
 3 additional lavatory for each two additional water closets beyond four water
 4 closets, [;"] and adding, to the extent Table A - 29 - A applies to females, Appendix
 5 Chapter 29, Table A - 29 - A, "Minimum Plumbing Fixtures," of the 1997 edition of
 6 the Uniform Building Code published in April 1997 by the International Council of
 7 Building Officials, except that for the category identified in Table A - 29 - A as
 8 "Assembly places--Auditoriums, convention halls, dance floors, lodge rooms,
 9 stadiums and casinos" the ratios

10 (A) indicating the number of water closets required for
 11 females are changed to provide the following:

- 12 (i) four water closets for 1 - 50 females;
- 13 (ii) six water closets for 51 - 100 females;
- 14 (iii) 10 water closets for 101 - 200 females;
- 15 (iv) 14 water closets for 201 - 400 females; and
- 16 (v) two additional water closets for each ^{one} ~~125~~ ¹⁰⁰ females
 17 over 400 females; and

Amend #2
 moved by Donley

18 (B) indicating the number of lavatories required for females
 19 are changed to

- 20 (i) one lavatory for each water closet up to four
 21 water closets; and
- 22 (ii) one additional lavatory for each two additional
 23 water closets beyond four water closets;

24 (2) the 1997 edition of the Uniform Swimming Pool, Spa, and Hot Tub
 25 Code published by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials
 26 and adopted at the 67th annual conference, September 1996, excluding pages 1 - 8 of
 27 Part I, Administration; and

28 (3) the 1997 edition of the Uniform Solar Energy Code published by
 29 the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials and adopted at the
 30 67th annual conference, September 1996, excluding pages 1 - 7 of Part I,
 31 Administration.

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 8(STA)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Offered: 3/23/99

Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): SENATORS DONLEY, Tim Kelly

A BILL**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to the minimum plumbing fixtures required for females and
2 males in the state plumbing code; and providing for an effective date."

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 18.60.705(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) Except as provided otherwise in this section, and unless the department
6 adopts by regulation a later edition of the following publications or a later version of
7 another nationally recognized code approved by the legislature by law, the following
8 publications are adopted as the minimum plumbing code for the state:

9 (1) paragraphs 101.3 - 101.5.6, 103.5.1.1 - 103.5.1.4, 103.5.3.5,
10 103.5.4.2, 103.5.5.1 - 103.5.5.2, 103.5.6.1 - 103.5.6.3, and 103.8 - 103.8.2 of chapter
11 1, chapters 2 - 14, and the appendices A through L of the 1997 edition of the Uniform
12 Plumbing Code published by the International Association of Plumbing and
13 Mechanical Officials and adopted at the 67th annual conference, September 1996,
14 excluding, to the extent Table 4.1 applies to females, Table 4.1, "Minimum Plumbing

SUBJECT: _____
DATE: _____

	YEA	NAY
SENATOR DONLEY		
SENATOR LEMAN		
SENATOR WILKEN		
SENATOR ADAMS		
SENATOR P. KELLY		
SENATOR L. GREEN		
SENATOR PHILLIPS		
SENATOR TORGERSON		
SENATOR PARNELL		
TOTAL:		

SUBJECT: _____
DATE: _____

	YEA	NAY
SENATOR WILKEN		
SENATOR ADAMS		
SENATOR P. KELLY		
SENATOR L. GREEN		
SENATOR PHILLIPS		
SENATOR DONLEY		
SENATOR LEMAN		
SENATOR TORGERSON		
SENATOR PARNELL		
TOTAL:		

SUBJECT: ^{SB 8} Amended #1 (Green) FAILED
DATE: 4/27/99

	YEA	NAY
SENATOR LEMAN	✓	
SENATOR WILKEN		✓
SENATOR ADAMS		✓
SENATOR P. KELLY	✓	
SENATOR L. GREFN	✓	
SENATOR PHILLIPS	✓	
SENATOR DONLEY		✓
SENATOR TORGERSON		✓
SENATOR PARNELL		✓
TOTAL:		

SUBJECT: ^{SB 8} Amended #2 (Donley) ADOPTED
DATE: 4/27/99

	YEA	NAY
SENATOR ADAMS	✓	
SENATOR P. KELLY	✓	
SENATOR L. GREEN		✓
SENATOR PHILLIPS	✓	
SENATOR DONLEY	✓	
SENATOR LEMAN	✓	
SENATOR WILKEN		✓
SENATOR TOGERSON	✓	
SENATOR PARNELL	✓	
TOTAL:		

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SENATE FINANCE
COMMITTEE

Adopted

Amendment Number: 3

Bill Number: CS SB 8 (SFA)

Sponsor: Donku Date: 4/7/99

Logged In By: Mindy

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OFFERED IN THE SENATE

TO: CSSB 8(STA)

- 1 Page 1, line 14:
- 2 Delete "to the extent Table 4.1 applies to females,"
- 3 Page 2, lines 1 - 4:
- 4 Delete "except that the ratios for lavatories to water closets for males in Table
- 5 4.1 are one lavatory for each water closet up to four water closets, and one additional
- 6 lavatory for each two additional water closets beyond four water closets, [;"] and adding,
- 7 to the extent Table A - 29 - A applies to females."
- 8 Insert "; ["] and adding"
- 9 Page 2, line 18, following "females":
- 10 Insert "and males"

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE
1999 COMMITTEE ACTION

Bill Number	SB 8
Amendment	#3
Motion	Adopt
<u>Motion by</u>	Donley
<u>Objection</u>	
<u>Objection by</u>	Green
<u>Removed</u>	X
<u>Second Objection by</u>	
<u>Committee Member</u>	<u>Vote</u>
Senator Al Adams	
Senator Gary Wilken	
Senator Pete Kelly	
Senator Lyda Green	
Senator Randy Phillips	
Senator Dave Donley	
Senator Loren Leman	
Co-Chair Sean Parnell	
Co-Chair John Torgerson	
<u>Tally</u>	
Yea	0
Nay	0
Absent	0
<u>MOTION</u>	W/out objection

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Phone #: 4935

Re: SB 8 Please issue a new (Fin) CS in final
of 1-LS0074-V incorporating two amendments
(attached)

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Following this page, please find 3 pages(s). If this does not reach you in full, please inform us ASAP.



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SENATOR DAVE DONLEY

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

SPONSOR STATEMENT

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL 8

"AN ACT RELATING TO THE MINIMUM REQUIRED PLUMBING FACILITIES AND FIXTURES IN THE STATE PLUMBING CODE"

Senate Bill 8 will amend the existing plumbing code in AS 18.60.705 to more closely resemble the national standard and increase the minimum number of women's and men's facilities in assembly places.

Senate Bill 8 will allow women to attend large public events in buildings constructed after January 1, 2000 without enduring the line they have inevitably had to face, thus unfairly impacting their enjoyment of the event they are attending. With this bill, the ratio of women's to men's facilities will be increased and bring fairness to the situation.

The current statute adopts the entire most recent Uniform Building Code except table A-29-A which is an older version of the code that provides fewer plumbing facilities for women. Senate Bill 8 will correct this oversight.

Senate Bill 8 amends current statute and specifically addresses the number of facilities provided for men and women in "assembly places." The current table in statute does provide a slightly elevated number of facilities for women in comparison to those provided for men, but the ratio does not meet the demand. SB8 will amend table A-29-A currently in statute relating to females and include Table 4.1 from the 1997 Uniform Building Code for men.

Senate Bill 8 will improve an unfortunate situation women face at every large event they attend. The lines for the bathroom are a reality for every woman who attends functions in "assembly" places such as auditoriums, convention halls, stadiums, etc.... Senate Bill 8 will increase the ratio and afford women the same benefits offered to men at these large events.

Senate Bill 8 will correct a situation that has plagued women since indoor events have been held in the State of Alaska. It is a step in the right direction and will give women the opportunity to enjoy the event they are attending rather than spending the majority of their time in line for the bathroom.

DD/sjs
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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

SECTIONAL ANALYSIS
COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL 8
"AN ACT RELATING TO THE MINIMUM PLUMBING FIXTURES REQUIRED
FOR FEMALES AND MALES IN THE STATE PLUMBING CODE"

Section #1 - Amends AS 18.50.705, which establishes the plumbing code for the State of Alaska by:

- Including Table 4.1 ("Minimum Plumbing Facilities" of the 1997 edition of the Uniform Building Code) as it applies to males
- Establishing the ratios for lavatories to water closets for males in Table 4.1
- Including Table A-29-A ("Minimum Plumbing Fixtures" of the 1997 edition of the Uniform Plumbing Code), but limits its application to females only
- Changing the ratios that determine the number of water closets and lavatories required for females in places of assembly under Table A-29-A

Section #2 - Makes the provisions of the Act effective January 1, 2000.

DD/srs

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SENATE BILL 8 COMPARISON
CURRENT TABLE in AS 18.60.705 vs. UBC TABLE vs. PROPOSED TABLE
ASSEMBLY PLACES

Table A-29-A (currently in AS 18.60.705)

<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOMEN</u>
1 - 50 men = 1 toilet	1 - 50 women = 3 toilets
51 - 100 men = 1 toilet/1 urinal	51 - 100 women = 4 toilets
101 - 150 men = 2 toilets/1 urinal	101 - 200 women = 6 toilets
151 - 300 men = 2 toilets/2 urinals	201 - 400 women = 8 toilets
301 - 500 men = 3 toilets/2 urinals	401 - 525 women = 9 toilets
501 - 700 men = 3 toilets/3 urinals	526 - 650 women = 10 toilets
701 - 900 men = 4 toilets/3 urinals	651 - 775 women = 11 toilets
**After 400 men, each additional 200 men adds one toilet/urinal to the equation	776 - 900 women = 12 toilets
	**After 400 women, each additional 125 women adds one toilet to the equation

Uniform Building Code Table 4.1

<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOMEN</u>
1 - 100 men = 1 toilet/1 urinal	1-50 women = 3 toilets
101 - 200 men = 2 toilets/2 urinals	51 - 100 women = 4 toilets
201 - 400 men = 3 toilets/3 urinals	101 - 200 women = 8 toilets
401 - 900 men = 4 toilets/5 urinals	201 - 400 women = 11 toilets
**After 400 men, each additional 500 men adds one toilet to the equation	401 - 525 women = 12 toilets
***After 600 men, each additional 300 men adds one urinal to the equation	526 - 650 women = 13 toilets
	651 - 775 women = 14 toilets
	776 - 900 women = 15 toilets
	**After 400 women, each additional 125 women adds one toilet to the equation

Proposed changes to Table A-29-A (SB 8)

<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOMEN</u>
Same table as UBC Table 4.1 (above)	1 - 50 women = 4 toilets
	51 - 100 women = 6 toilets
	101 - 200 women = 10 toilets
	201 - 400 women = 14 toilets
	401 - 525 women = 16 toilets
	526 - 650 women = 18 toilets
	651 - 775 women = 20 toilets
	776 - 900 women = 22 toilets
	**After 400 women, each additional 125 women adds two toilets to the equation

Appendix Chapter 29 MINIMUM PLUMBING FIXTURES

SECTION 2905 — GENERAL

Each building shall be provided with sanitary facilities, including provisions for accessibility in accordance with Chapter 11. Plumbing fixtures shall be provided for the type of building occupancy with the minimum numbers as shown in Table A-29-A. The

number of fixtures are the minimum required as shown in Table A-29-A and are assumed to be based on 50 percent male and 50 percent female. The occupant load factors shall be as shown in Table A-29-A.

EXCEPTION: Where circumstances dictate that a different ratio is needed, the adjustment shall be approved by the building official.

TABLE A-29-A—MINIMUM PLUMBING FIXTURES^{1,2,3}

TYPE OF BUILDING OR OCCUPANCY ⁴	WATER CLOSETS ⁵ (fixtures per person)		LAVATORIES ⁶ (fixtures per person)		BATHTUB OR SHOWER (fixtures per person)
	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	
For the occupancies listed below, use 30 square feet (2.78 m ²) per occupant for the minimum number of plumbing fixtures.					
Group A Conference rooms, dining rooms, drinking establishments, exhibit rooms, gymnasiums, lounges, stages and similar uses including restaurants classified as Group B Occupancies	1:1-25 2:26-75 3:76-125 4:126-200 5:201-300 6:301-400 Over 400, add one fixture for each additional 200 males or 150 females.	1:1-25 2:26-75 3:76-125 4:126-200 5:201-300 6:301-400	one for each water closet up to four; then one for each two additional water closets		
For the assembly occupancies listed below, use the number of fixed seating or, where no fixed seating is provided, use 15 square feet (1.39 m ²) per occupant for the minimum number of plumbing fixtures.					
Assembly places— Auditoriums, convention halls, dance floors, lodge rooms, stadiums and casinos	1:1-50 2:51-100 3:101-150 4:151-300 Over 300 males, add one fixture for each additional 200, and over 400 females add one for each 125.	3:1-50 4:51-100 6:101-200 8:201-400	1:1-200 2:201-400 3:401-750 Over 750, add one fixture for each additional 500 persons.	1:1-200 2:201-400 3:401-750	
For the assembly occupancies listed below, use the number of fixed seating or, where no fixed seating is provided, use 30 square feet (2.29 m ²) per occupant for the minimum number of plumbing fixtures.					
Worship places Principal assembly area Worship places Educational and activity unit	one per 150 one per 125	one per 75 one per 75	one per two water closets one per two water closets		
For the occupancies listed below, use 200 square feet (18.58 m ²) per occupant for the minimum number of plumbing fixtures.					
Group B Offices or public buildings	1:1-15 2:16-35 3:36-55 Over 55, add one for each 50 persons.	1:1-15 2:16-35 3:36-55	one per two water closets		
For the occupancies listed below, use 50 square feet (4.65 m ²) per occupant for the minimum number of plumbing fixtures.					
Group E Schools—for staff use All schools	1:1-15 2:16-35 3:36-55 Over 55, add one fixture for each additional 40 persons.	1:1-15 2:16-35 3:36-55	one per 40 one per 40		
Schools—for student use Day care	1:1-20 2:21-50 Over 50, add one fixture for each additional 50 persons.	1:1-20 2:21-50	1:1-25 2:26-50 Over 50, add one fixture for each additional 50 persons.	1:1-25 2:26-50	
Elementary Secondary	one per 30 one per 40	one per 25 one per 30	one per 35 one per 40	one per 35 one per 40	
For the occupancies listed below, use 50 square feet (4.65 m ²) per occupant for the minimum number of plumbing fixtures.					
Education Facilities other than Group E Others (colleges, universities, adult centers, etc.)	one per 40	one per 30	one per 40	one per 40	

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A-29-A—MINIMUM PLUMBING FIXTURES^{1,2,3}—(CL. 104)

TYPE OF BUILDING OR OCCUPANCY ⁴	WATER CLOSETS ⁵ (fixtures per person)		LAVATORIES ⁶ (fixtures per person)		BATHTUB OR SHOWER (fixtures per person)
	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	
For the occupancies listed below, use 2,000 square feet (185.8 m ²) per occupant for the minimum number of plumbing fixtures.					
Group F Workshop, foundries and similar establishments, and Group H Occupancies	1:1-10 2:11-25 3:26-50 4:51-75 5:76-100 Over 100, add one fixture for each additional 300 persons.	1:1-10 2:11-25 3:26-50 4:51-75 5:76-100	one for each two water closets		one shower for each 15 persons exposed to excessive heat or to skin contamination with irritating materials
For the occupancies listed below, use the designated application and 200 square feet (18.58 m ²) per occupant of the general use area for the minimum number of plumbing fixtures.					
Group I Hospital waiting rooms Hospital general use areas	one per room (usable by either sex) 1:1-15 2:16-35 3:36-55 Over 55, add one fixture for each additional 40 persons.	1:1-15 3:16-35 4:36-55	one per room one per each two water closets		
Hospitals Patient room Ward room	one per room one per eight patients		one per room one per 10 patients		one per room one per 20 patients
Jails and reformatories Cell Exercise room	one per cell one per exercise room		one per cell one per exercise room		
Other institutions (on each occupied floor)	one per 25	one per 25	one per 10	one per 10	one per eight
For the occupancies listed below, use 200 square feet (18.58 m ²) per occupant for the minimum number of plumbing fixtures.					
Group M Retail or wholesale stores	1:1-50 2:51-100 3:101-400 Over 400, add one fixture for each additional 500 males and one for each 150 females.	1:1-50 2:51-100 3:101-200 4:201-300 5:301-400	one for each two water closets		
For Group R Occupancies, dwelling units and hotel guest rooms, use the chart. For congregate residences, use 200 square feet (18.58 m ²) for Group R, Division 1 Occupancies and 300 square feet (27.87 m ²) for Group R, Division 3 Occupancies for the minimum plumbing fixtures.					
Group R Dwelling units Hotel guest rooms	one per dwelling unit one per guest room		one per dwelling unit one per guest room		one per dwelling unit one per guest room
Congregate residences	one per 10 Add one fixture for each additional 25 males and one for each additional 20 females.	one per 8 Over 8, add one fixture for each additional 20 males and one for each additional 15 females.	one per 12 Over 12, add one fixture for each additional 20 males and one for each additional 15 females.	one per 12 Over 12, add one fixture for each additional 20 males and one for each additional 15 females.	one per eight For females, add one bathtub per 30. Over 150, add one per 20.
For the occupancies listed below, use 5,000 square feet (464.5 m ²) per occupant for the minimum number of plumbing fixtures.					
Group S Warehouses	1:1-10 2:11-25 3:26-50 4:51-75 5:76-100 Over 100, add one for each 300 males and females.	1:1-10 2:11-25 3:26-50 4:51-75 5:76-100	one per 40 occupants of each sex		one shower for each 15 persons exposed to excessive heat or to skin contamination with poisonous, infectious or irritating materials

NOTE: Occupant loads over 30 shall have one drinking fountain for each 150 occupants.

¹The figures shown are based on one fixture being the minimum required for the number of persons indicated or any fraction thereof.

²Drinking fountains shall not be installed in toilet rooms.

³When the design occupant load is less than 10 persons, a facility usable by either sex may be approved by the building official.

⁴Any category not mentioned specifically or about which there are any questions shall be classified by the building official and included in the category which it most nearly resembles, based on the expected use of the plumbing facilities.

⁵Where urinals are provided, one water closet less than the number specified may be provided for each urinal installed, except the number of water closets in such cases shall not be reduced to less than one half of the minimum specified.

⁶Twenty-four inches (610 mm) of wash sink or 18 inches (457 mm) of a circular basin, when provided with water outlets for such space, shall be considered equivalent to one lavatory.

**TABLE 4-1
Minimum Plumbing Facilities¹**

Each building shall be provided with sanitary facilities, including provisions for the physically handicapped as prescribed by the Department having jurisdiction. For requirements for the handicapped, ANSI A117.1-1992, Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities, may be used.

The total occupant load shall be determined by minimum exiting requirements. The minimum number of fixtures shall be calculated at fifty (50) percent male and fifty (50) percent female based on the total occupant load.

Type of Building or Occupancy ²	Water Closets ¹⁴ (Fixtures per Person)		Urinals ^{5, 10} (Fixtures per Person)	Lavatories (Fixtures per Person)		Bathtubs or Showers (Fixtures per Person)	Drinking Fountains ^{3, 13} (Fixtures per Person)
	Male	Female	Male	Male	Female		
Assembly Places – Theatres, Auditoriums, Convention Halls, etc. – for permanent employee use	1: 1-15 2: 16-35 3: 36-55 Over 55, add 1 fixture for each additional 40 persons.	1: 1-15 3: 16-35 4: 36-55	0: 1-9 1: 10-50 Add one fixture for each additional 50 males.	1 per 40	1 per 40		
Assembly Places – Theatres, Auditoriums, Convention Halls, etc. – for public use	1: 1-100 2: 101-200 3: 201-400 Over 400, add one fixture for each additional 500 males and 1 for each additional 125 females.	3: 1-50 4: 51-100 8: 101-200 11: 201-400	1: 1-100 2: 101-200 3: 201-400 4: 401-600 Over 600 add 1 fixture for each additional 300 males.	1: 1-200 2: 201-400 3: 401-750 Over 750, add one fixture for each additional 500 persons.	1: 1-200 2: 201-400 3: 401-750		1: 1-150 2: 151-400 3: 401-750 Over 750, add one fixture for each additional 500 persons.
Dormitories ⁹ School or Labor	Male 1 per 10 Add 1 fixture for each additional 25 males (over 10) and 1 for each additional 20 females (over 8).	Female 1 per 8	Male 1 per 25 Over 150, add 1 fixture for each additional 50 males.	Male 1 per 12 Over 12 add one fixture for each additional 20 males and 1 for each 15 additional females.	Female 1 per 12	1 per 8 For females, add 1 bathtub per 30. Over 150, add 1 per 20.	1 per 150 ¹²
Dormitories – for staff use	Male 1: 1-15 2: 16-35 3: 36-55 Over 55, add 1 fixture for each additional 40 persons.	Female 1: 1-15 3: 16-35 4: 36-55	Male 1 per 50	Male 1 per 40	Female 1 per 40	1 per 8	
Dwellings ⁴ Single Dwelling Multiple Dwelling or Apartment House	1 per dwelling 1 per dwelling or apartment unit			1 per dwelling 1 per dwelling or apartment unit		1 per dwelling 1 per dwelling or apartment unit	
Hospital Waiting rooms	1 per room			1 per room			1 per 150 ¹²
Hospitals – for employee use	Male 1: 1-15 2: 16-35 3: 36-55 Over 55, add 1 fixture for each additional 40 persons.	Female 1: 1-15 3: 16-35 4: 36-55	Male 0: 1-9 1: 10-50 Add one fixture for each additional 50 males.	Male 1 per 40	Female 1 per 40		
Hospitals Individual Room Ward Room	1 per room 1 per 8 patients			1 per room 1 per 10 patients		1 per room 1 per 20 patients	1 per 150 ¹²
Industrial ⁸ Warehouses Workshops, Foundries and similar establishments – for employee use	Male 1: 1-10 2: 11-25 3: 26-50 4: 51-75 5: 76-100 Over 100, add 1 fixture for each additional 30 persons	Female 1: 1-10 2: 11-25 3: 26-50 4: 51-75 5: 76-100		Up to 100, 1 per 10 persons Over 100, 1 per 15 persons ^{7, 8}		1 shower for each 15 persons exposed to excessive heat or to skin contami- nation with poison- ous, infectious, or irritating material	1 per 150 ¹²
Institutional – Other than Hospitals or Penal Institutions (on each occupied floor)	Male 1 per 25	Female 1 per 20	Male 0: 1-9 1: 10-50 Add one fixture for each additional 50 males.	Male 1 per 10	Female 1 per 10	1 per 8	1 per 150 ¹²

Table 4-1

UNIFORM PLUMBING CODE

Type of Building or Occupancy ²	Water Closets ¹⁴ (Fixtures per Person)		Urinals ^{5, 10} (Fixtures per Person)	Lavatories (Fixtures per Person)		Bathrooms or Showers (Fixtures per Person)	Drinking Fountains ^{3, 13} (Fixtures per Person)
Institutional - Other than Hospitals or Penal Institutions (on each occupied floor) - for employee use	Male 1: 1-15 2: 16-35 3: 36-55 Over 55, add 1 fixture for each additional 40 persons.	Female 1: 1-15 3: 16-35 4: 36-55	Male 0: 1-9 1: 10-50 Add one fixture for each additional 50 males.	Male 1 per 40	Female 1 per 40	1 per 8	1 per 150 ¹²
Office or Public Buildings	Male 1: 1-100 2: 101-200 3: 201-400 Over 400, add one fixture for each additional 500 males and 1 for each additional 150 females.	Female 3: 1-50 4: 51-100 8: 101-200 11: 201-400	Male 1: 1-100 2: 101-200 3: 201-400 4: 401-600 Over 600 add 1 fixture for each additional 300 males.	Male 1: 1-200 2: 201-400 3: 401-750 Over 750, add one fixture for each additional 500 persons	Female 1: 1-200 2: 201-400 3: 401-750		1 per 150 ¹²
Office or Public Buildings - for employee use	Male 1: 1-15 2: 16-35 3: 36-55 Over 55, add 1 fixture for each additional 40 persons.	Female 1: 1-15 3: 16-35 4: 36-55	Male 0: 1-9 1: 10-50 Add one fixture for each additional 50 males.	Male 1 per 40	Female 1 per 40		
Penal Institutions - for employee use	Male 1: 1-15 2: 16-35 3: 36-55 Over 55, add 1 fixture for each additional 40 persons.	Female 1: 1-15 3: 16-35 4: 36-55	Male 0: 1-9 1: 10-50 Add one fixture for each additional 50 males.	Male 1 per 40	Female 1 per 40		1 per 150 ¹²
Penal Institutions - for prison use							
Cell	1 per cell		Male 1 per exercise room	1 per cell			1 per cell block floor
Exercise Room	1 per exercise room			1 per exercise room			1 per exercise room
Restaurants, Pubs and Lounges ¹¹	Male 1: 1-50 2: 51-150 3: 151-300 Over 300, add 1 fixture for each additional 200 persons	Female 1: 1-50 2: 51-150 4: 151-300	Male 1: 1-150 Over 150, add 1 fixture for each additional 150 males	Male 1: 1-150 2: 151-200 3: 201-400 Over 400, add 1 fixture for each additional 400 persons	Female 1: 1-150 2: 151-200 3: 201-400		
Schools - for staff use All schools	Male 1: 1-15 2: 16-35 3: 36-55 Over 55, add 1 fixture for each additional 40 persons	Female 1: 1-15 2: 16-35 3: 36-55	Male 1 per 50	Male 1 per 40	Female 1 per 40		
Schools - for student use Nursery	Male 1: 1-20 2: 21-50 Over 50, add 1 fixture for each additional 50 persons	Female 1: 1-20 2: 21-50		Male 1: 1-25 2: 26-50 Over 50, add 1 fixture for each additional 50 persons	Female 1: 1-25 2: 26-50		1 per 150 ¹²
Elementary	Male 1 per 30	Female 1 per 25	Male 1 per 75	Male 1 per 35	Female 1 per 35		1 per 150 ¹²
Secondary	Male 1 per 40	Female 1 per 30	Male 1 per 35	Male 1 per 40	Female 1 per 40		1 per 150 ¹²
Others (Colleges, Universities, Adult Centers, etc.)	Male 1 per 40	Female 1 per 30	Male 1 per 35	Male 1 per 40	Female 1 per 40		1 per 150 ¹²
Worship Places Educational and Activities Unit	Male 1 per 150	Female 1 per 75	Male 1 per 150	1 per 2 water closets			1 per 150 ¹²
Worship Places Principal Assembly Place	Male 1 per 150	Female 1 per 75	Male 1 per 150	1 per 2 water closets			1 per 150 ¹²

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Why wait on potty parity?

Ever wonder why women attending a stadium event go to the restroom in pairs? It's to give them someone to talk to while they wait in line for half an hour.

If you're a woman who has ever waited in line for a toilet during half-time at a hockey or football game, you know the little "nature calls" dance you do. All the women in line are doing it. It's probably where the line dance originated.

Now, if you're at Centennial Hall in Juneau, there's rarely a problem, but go to the Sullivan Arena in Anchorage to watch a game and you'd better not drink any fluids beforehand. Forget about having a beer. Normally, women watching games at Sullivan must hightail it to the restroom a good five minutes before halftime begins if they hope to make it through the line and get back to their seats before the next half starts.

Why is that? Well, women have some complicated procedures to follow when using the toilet. There are more steps. You don't need to read about them here, but trust us, it just takes longer and can't be accomplished at a urinal. In addition, after being stuck in line for a half hour, you finally get your turn only to find that, due to overuse, the facility has no toilet paper. For older women or those who have just given birth to children, incontinence is often a real, albeit embarrassing, problem. When they have to go, they have to go.

And then there's the sociological angle - women generally take young children to the restroom. Boys can often go into either the men's room or the women's room, but we're not very comfortable with little girls going into the men's room and, anyway, all small children need an adult to help them through the procedure. That adult tends to be a woman.

Our great-grandmothers didn't have to wait in lines at hockey or football games. They didn't generally go to games and if they did, they didn't drink beer. But women of today get out to events - they like to attend sporting events and concerts. And yet for some of them, the thought of having to battle their way to the bathroom is enough to keep them from attending.

Maybe our granddaughters won't have to do that little line dance. Senate Bill 8, sponsored by Sen. Dave Donley, would require more restrooms for women in public buildings built after Jan. 1, 2000. When public buildings are built or remodeled, women's water closets would need to be built at a ratio of 3-to-1 to men's restrooms. This wouldn't apply to churches (even though more women attend church than men) or restaurants, but to places of greater assembly like stadiums, concert halls, auditoriums, theaters and convention centers.

So let's give Donley's bill the attention it deserves. What are we waiting for?



Soccer, Ha

We live in troubled and uncertain times, but I am feeling good - about myself; about my homeland; about all the nations of the earth; and, yes, about future of humanity. And I will tell you why: I am on painkillers.

I got them from my doctor, Curt. Curt is a great doctor, probably the greatest doctor who ever lived, and I will tell you why: He gave me these painkillers. These are some STRONG painkillers. You should see the side effects! I started to read about them on the information sheet, but I got only as far as the part where it said I should report to the doctor's office if my . . . I don't know how to say this in a family newspaper . . . OK, I'm just going to come right out and tell you: I'm supposed to report to the doctor's office if my outputs turn black.

Now I believe in following medical advice up to a point, and that point is the point where you're being advised to call a medical office and tell the person who answers the phone - often a complete stranger - about the color of your outputs. Because you don't know what that person will do with the information. For all you know, the person will hang up the phone and shout across the doctor's office

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SENATOR DAVE DONLEY

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Senate Bill 8 Table Comparison

RATIO	# OF TOILETS in A-29-A	# OF TOILETS IN 4.1
1-50 women	3	3
51-100 women	4	4
101-200 women	6	8
201-400 women	8	11
401-525 women	9	12
526-650 women	10	13
651-775 women	11	14
776-900 women	12	15
2500 women	24	27
5000 women	44	47
7500 women	64	67
10,000 women	84	87

RATIO	# OF TOILETS IN SB8(STA) (before amendment)	# OF TOILETS IN SB8(FIN) (after amendment)
1-50 women	4	4
51-100 women	6	6
101-200 women	10	10
201-400 women	14	14
401-525 women	16	15 for 401-500 women
526-650 women	18	16 for 501-600 women
651-775 women	20	17 for 601-700 women
776-900 women	22	18 for 701-800 women
2500 women	46	19 for 801-900 women
3125 women	58	20 for 901-1000 women
**size of Sullivan Arena		35 for 2500 women
5000 women	86	41 for 3125 women
7500 women	136	**size of Sullivan Arena
10,000 women	166	60 for 5000 women
		85 for 7500 women
		110 for 10,000 women

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SENATOR DAVE DONLEY

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Senate Bill 8 Talking Points "Minimum Required Plumbing Facilities" (updated 4/7/99)

- 1 - Common sense tells us there is a serious problem with a shortage of female facilities in large assembly buildings. From personal experience long lines outside the women's restrooms at sporting events, concerts and other events are common.
- 2 - The basis of the current building code for plumbing fixtures, water flows and usage is from research done in 1924 by the U.S. Bureau of Standards.
- 3 - Our society has changed since 1924. In 1924, women in the United States did not work outside the home. When they did go to public places, it was considered a social sin to use the restroom. Women did not leave the home when they were pregnant or for the next 18-24 months while they were caring for their newborn children. In 1999, women are in public every day. They go to ballgames, festivals, concerts, stadiums, arenas, assembly halls, conference halls, plays, movie theatres, churches, etc.... There are no public places or places of work that you will not find women.
- 4 - A study done by Cornell University determined men averaged 45 seconds and women averaged 80 seconds to "go to the bathroom." Another similar survey found that men average 47 seconds in the restroom while women take 91 seconds.
- 5 - Women have health problems that affect their need to use facilities in public buildings - a study done in the Columbus, Indiana "Republic" reported that 50% of women over the age of 18 have an incontinence problem. It states that childbirth is the largest contributing factor to this and when women are forced to stand in long lines to use the bathroom, they are in tremendous pain.
- 6 - Other states have already enacted "potty parity" laws. In Tennessee and six other states, the ratio is 2:1. In Texas the ratio is **not less than** 2:1 in facilities where the public congregates. Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota have a 3:1 ratio while Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania has a ratio of 3.75:1. Washington State has the highest ratio of women's to men's facilities of 4:1 in all public buildings.

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GARY WILKEN

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SENATE BILL 9

SPONSOR STATEMENT

"An Act relating to the calculation of employee contributions and credited service in the public employees' retirement system for non-certificated employees of school districts, regional educational attendance areas, the Alaska Vocational Technical Center, and the state boarding schools, and providing for an effective date."

Senate Bill 9 is not a new proposal. For many years the question of whether support staff of our schools should have the same retirement benefits as their certified counterparts has gone unanswered. Senate Bill 9 will fix this inequity.

Approximately 6,600 Alaskan residents are dedicated, full-time, non-certified employees in our school systems. Non-certificated employees, also referred to in many school districts as "classified" employees, include custodians, cafeteria workers, teachers aides, and administrative staff. They typically work the same schedule as our teachers, from September to May, leaving their summer schedules open to the pursuit of other seasonal employment activities. However, those seasonal employment activities rarely provide for retirement considerations. Therefore, each working year contains a three-month gap where retirement benefits do not accrue. As a consequence, a non-certificated employee having worked for 30 years, and seemingly eligible to retire, is faced with only 22.5 years of accrued retirement benefits.

Certified teachers get one full year of credit toward retirement when they complete the nine-month school year. Non-certified employees receive credit for the actual time served in the system, usually nine months. They are not afforded the option of contributing to their retirement account to reflect a year's service. Senate Bill 9 affords them that option, at their expense. It would be a completely voluntary program, paid for by the members themselves, thus adding no on-going financial burden to the State or to the local school districts.

Please join me in endorsing this legislation. It speaks to fairness, and demonstrates the appreciation that all Alaskan schools' support staff deserve.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary Wilken".

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(11)

Date Referred to Committee: April 13, 1999

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: 4/27/99

The FINANCE Committee considered:

CSSB 9(HES)

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 9(HES)

PERS CREDIT FOR NONCERTIFICATED EMPLOYEES

"An Act relating to the calculation of employee contributions and credited service in the public employees' retirement system for noncertificated employees of school districts, regional educational attendance areas, the special education service agency, the Alaska Vocational Technical Center, and the state boarding schools; and providing for an effective date."

recommends it be replaced with the following committee substitute _____ [] the same title
[] a new title

[] additional referral to _____ Committee
[] attached amendment(s)

ADOPTS: _____ Letter of Intent

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

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CHAIR'S SIGNATURE

Gene Therriault *Edon Mulder*
Therriault Mulder

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1999 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

No. 1
Bill Version: SB9
(S) Publish Date: 3-10-99

Revision Date: March 9, 1999
Title: An Act relating to the calculation of employee contributions and credited service in the public employees' retirement system ...
Sponsor: Senator Wilken
Requestor: (S) L&C

Department Affected: Administration
BRU: Centralized Administrative Services
Component: Retirement and Benefits

COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 64

Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03	FY 04	FY 05
PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	72.4	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	72.4	0	0	0	0	0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()	0	0	0	0	0	0
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FUND SOURCE: (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts	0	0	0	0	0	0
1003 GF Match	0	0	0	0	0	0
1004 GF	0	0	0	0	0	0
1005 GF/Program Receipts	0	0	0	0	0	0
1037 GF/Mental Health	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER (1029 P/E Retire)	72.4	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	72.4	0	0	0	0	0

Estimate of any current year (FY 99) cost: \$ 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

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

The \$72.4 is needed to hire contractors to update the division's computer system to accommodate the proposed changes. In addition to contractor time, division staff will dedicate time to make system changes and the impacted school districts may also need to update their systems.

This change would affect approximately 6,660 current PERS members.

Prepared by: Guy Bell
Division: Retirement and Benefits

Phone: 465-4471
Date: _____

Approved by Commissioner: Robert Poe, Jr. Alison M. Elgee
Agency: Department of Administration

Date: 3/9/99

April 27, 1999

SB9

Please support this bill. I have worked for the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District for 13 years and am credited with approximately 9 years. It was very depressing for those of us in our school district, when we found out that even our own school board, city council and borough assembly got a year of recognition for each school year or session worked. - We would like equity in formulating our years of service. We are very loyal, hard-working employees and many have hours of time they donate to keep our schools going and kids thriving.

Shirley Zolbeck

FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION 99-3

SUPPORT FOR ALASKA SENATE BILL 9 AND HOUSE BILL 17

WHEREAS, the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District Board of Education recognizes that an important element of success in our district schools are the noncertificated or "classified" employees; and

WHEREAS, classified employees are dedicated to performing their jobs in the most efficient and professional manner; and


WHEREAS, classified employees have been prohibited from being credited with a full year's credited service in the Public Employees' Retirement system because they are employed on nine-month contracts; and

WHEREAS, other employees who work under the same conditions are able to make contributions to their retirement system it is reasonable and equitable that classified employees be given the right and ability to contribute (at their own expense) to their retirement system during the period they are not under contract to the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District Board of Education supports and urges the Alaska State Legislature to pass Senate Bill 9 and House Bill 17, An Act relating to the calculation of employee contributions and credited service in the public employees' retirement system for noncertificated employees of school districts, regional educational attendance areas, the Alaska Technical Center, and the state boarding schools; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to each member of our Interior Legislative Delegation, the Governor of the State of Alaska, and to the Commissioner of Education.

PASSED AND APPROVED: MARCH 23, 1999


Bill Burrows, President
Board of Education

ATTEST:


Pete Luchini
Secretary to the Board



ASD Memorandum of Support: SB 9

To: Senator Gary Wilkens

From: *Larry Wiget*
Larry Wiget, Executive Director, Public Affairs

Subject: SB 9: An Act relating to the calculation of employee contributions and credited service in the public employees' retirement system for non-certificated employees of school districts..."

Date: March 3, 1999

The Anchorage School District supports providing our non-certificated support employees who are members of the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), and who work a full nine month school year, with an opportunity, at their own expense, to obtain a full year of retirement service credit.

Under current law, a support person in PERS working less than twelve months in our schools receives service credit only for those days worked during the nine month school year. A teacher, under the Teacher Retirement System (TRS), receives a full year's service credit for working the same nine month school year.

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For example, within one of my own departments, I have a non-certificated support person who has been employed by the Anchorage School District since 1977. From 1977 -- 1992 she worked as a school secretary. During this period of time she earned 11.75 years of retirement service credit for the 9 1/2 months she worked each school year during this 15 year period of time. From 1992 to the present, she has been working in the district as a 12 month employee, earning a full year of retirement service credit for each of the last seven years. Her total earned retirement service credit during her time with the Anchorage School District through this year is 18.75 years.

By comparison, a teacher working in the Anchorage School District during this same time period would have earned 22 years of retirement service credit, a difference of 3.25 years.

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SB9

February 18, 1999

Sen. Gary Wilken
Alaska Senate
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Juneau, AK 99801-1182

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Again, thank you very much for your efforts to help school district classified staff to provide for a more secure retirement after their years of work for students.

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March 8, 1999

Senator Jerry Mackie, Chair
Senator Tim Kelly, Vice Chair
Labor and Commerce Committee
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801

Re: SB 9 PERS Credit For Non-Certified Employees


Dear Senator Mackie and Senator Kelly:

Teamsters Local 959 represents non-certified employees most predominantly in the Anchorage School District. Several hundred of those members actually work less than twelve months of the year due to the nature of their jobs. As we understand SB 9, it would allow those members, by individual choice, the opportunity to receive the same credited year as their certified counterparts for purposes of retirement. Any increased cost under this bill would be born by the employee, not the employer (Anchorage School District).

We urge your support and passage of this bill to allow, by employee choice, the opportunity to increase their credited service time as is currently the option for the certified employees.

Sincerely,

TEAMSTERS LOCAL 959


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Good afternoon Mr. Chairman and members of the committee. My name is Christopher Robinson. I am the Executive Director of the Special Education Service Agency, otherwise known as SESA.

SESA is an instrumentality of the State of Alaska, created by the legislature in 1986 as a public organization, funded through the Department of Education.

(AS 14.30.600)

Under statute (AS 14.30.630), the duties of the agency include provision of special education services, including itinerant outreach services, to public school students and special education instructional support and training of local school district special education personnel. In addition, the SESA annual work calendar and job descriptions are similar to those found in public school districts.

On behalf of the SESA Board of Directors, I ask for your support of an amendment to Senate Bill 9 to include SESA as a participating employer.

In accordance with AS 14.30.620, "Employees of the agency are not in state service and are not subject to AS 39.25 (State Personnel Act). However, employees of the agency shall be members of either the Teachers' Retirement System (AS 14.25) or the Public Employees' Retirement System (AS 39.35)."

SESA entered into an AS 39.35.560, PERS participation agreement in September, 1986.

AS 39.35.600 states that eligible employees of a participating public organization are bound by the provisions of this system (PERS) and are entitled to the benefits provided under it.

All permanent part-time and full-time, non-certificated, SESA employees are members of PERS.

Inclusion of SESA in this legislation would provide individual SESA PERS members the benefit of choice related to how their credited service is calculated, comparable to other non-certificated public education employees.

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March 17, 1999

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Dear Senator Wilken:

I am sending this letter to correct testimony I gave on Senate Bill 9 last week at the Senate Labor and Commerce Committee hearing.

In my testimony, I stated that non-certificated employees electing to have their service credit determined under the TRS schedule would be required to pay an additional 4.33 percent of compensation.

In discussions with our actuary late last week, we realized that different assumptions were used to calculate the 4.33 percent rate than those provided for in Senate Bill 9. The correct surcharge rate required by employees electing the increased service credit option will be 1.25 percent of compensation. Therefore, these employees would pay a total contribution of 8 percent of compensation.

I apologize for the inadvertent inaccuracy of the information presented at the Senate Labor and Commerce committee hearing.

Sincerely,



Guy Bell
Director

cc: Representative Tom Brice
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SB9

Classified Employees' Association MATANUSKA - SUSITNA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

PETITION IN SUPPORT OF "A YEAR FOR YEAR CREDIT"

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We the undersigned support the concept of non-certified school employees receiving a year's credit for working a school year for the purpose of retirement within PERS. We are willing to share the increased cost to provide this benefit. We are also willing to work twelve months for this credit but we are being told that there is not either work for us or the district can't afford to employ us year round. This bill would create parity for all school employees. We are asking our Legislators to support HB 273 or the concepts contained within this bill.

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ASSOCIATION OF ALASKA SCHOOL BOARDS
Advocates for Alaska's Youth

IN SUPPORT OF SB 9

PERS CREDIT FOR
NONCERTIFICATED EMPLOYEES

The Association of Alaska School Boards supports Senate Bill 9, PERS Credit for Noncertificated Employees of School Districts. This bill provides noncertificated support employees who are members of the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), and who work a full nine month school year, with an opportunity, at their own expense, to obtain a full year of retirement service credit.

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In the past, AASB's major objection to similar bills was the increased cost to a school district for providing such a benefit. AASB supports this opportunity for support personnel with the understanding that the employee is required to pay the entire cost of the PERS credit buy-in.

March 30, 1999

FISCAL NOTE

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Bill Version: SB9
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Requestor: (S) L&C

Department Affected: Administration
BRU: Centralized Administrative Services
Component: Retirement and Benefits
COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 64

Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

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CONTRACTUAL	72.4	0	0	0	0	0
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SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 3/23/99

FURTHER: 3/31/99

DATE TURNED
IN TO OFFICE: 31 Mar 99

Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 9

PERS CREDIT FOR NONCERTIFICATED EMPLOYEES

and recommends:

- be replaced with _____ CS _____ (_____)
- adopt previous _____ CS SB 9 (HES)
- attached amendment(s)
- adopt Letter of Intent by _____ Committee
- further referral to the _____ Committee

- Senate Bill:**
- same title
 - new title
- House Bill:**
- same title
 - technical title
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SIGNING DO PASS	DP	OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS	NR	DNP	AM
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<i>Lynne Brown</i>	✓	<i>Carole Wenzel</i>	✓		
<i>Pat Kelly</i>	✓				
<i>Al Adams</i>	✓				
<i>Greg White</i>	✓				
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Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal
DCF	3/24/99		72.4

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):*

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal

APPROPRIATION -- no fiscal note

*include fiscal notes accompanying Governor's bill

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SENATE BILL 9

SPONSOR STATEMENT

"An Act relating to the calculation of employee contributions and credited service in the public employees' retirement system for non-certificated employees of school districts, regional educational attendance areas, the Alaska Vocational Technical Center, and the state boarding schools, and providing for an effective date."

Senate Bill 9 is not a new proposal. For many years the question of whether support staff of our schools should have the same retirement benefits as their certified counterparts has gone unanswered. Senate Bill 9 will fix this inequity.

Approximately 6,600 Alaskan residents are dedicated, full-time, non-certified employees in our school systems. Non-certificated employees, also referred to in many school districts as "classified" employees, include custodians, cafeteria workers, teachers aides, and administrative staff. They typically work the same schedule as our teachers, from September to May, leaving their summer schedules open to the pursuit of other seasonal employment activities. However, those seasonal employment activities rarely provide for retirement considerations. Therefore, each working year contains a three-month gap where retirement benefits do not accrue. As a consequence, a non-certificated employee having worked for 30 years, and seemingly eligible to retire, is faced with only 22.5 years of accrued retirement benefits.

Certified teachers get one full year of credit toward retirement when they complete the nine-month school year. Non-certified employees receive credit for the actual time served in the system, usually nine months. They are not afforded the option of contributing to their retirement account to reflect a year's service. Senate Bill 9 affords them that option, at their expense. It would be a completely voluntary program, paid for by the members themselves, thus adding no on-going financial burden to the State or to the local school districts.

Please join me in endorsing this legislation. It speaks to fairness, and demonstrates the appreciation that all Alaskan schools' support staff deserve.



ASD Memorandum of Support: SB 9

To: Senator Gary Wilkens

From: *Larry Wiget*
Larry Wiget, Executive Director, Public Affairs

Subject: SB 9: An Act relating to the calculation of employee contributions and credited service in the public employees' retirement system for non-certificated employees of school districts..."

Date: March 3, 1999

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March 8, 1999

Senator Jerry Mackie, Chair
Senator Tim Kelly, Vice Chair
Labor and Commerce Committee
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801

Re: SB 9 PERS Credit For Non-Certified Employees

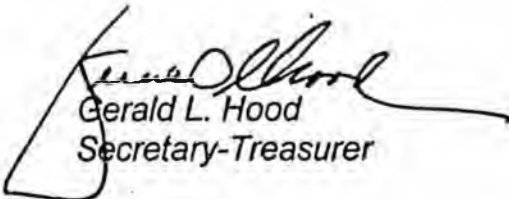
Dear Senator Mackie and Senator Kelly:

Teamsters Local 959 represents non-certified employees most predominantly in the Anchorage School District. Several hundred of those members actually work less than twelve months of the year due to the nature of their jobs. As we understand SB 9, it would allow those members, by individual choice, the opportunity to receive the same credited year as their certified counterparts for purposes of retirement. Any increased cost under this bill would be born by the employee, not the employer (Anchorage School District).

We urge your support and passage of this bill to allow, by employee choice, the opportunity to increase their credited service time as is currently the option for the certified employees.

Sincerely,

TEAMSTERS LOCAL 959


Gerald L. Hood
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cc: Senator Dave Donley
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Good afternoon Mr. Chairman and members of the committee. My name is Christopher Robinson. I am the Executive Director of the Special Education Service Agency, otherwise known as SESA.

SESA is an instrumentality of the State of Alaska, created by the legislature in 1986 as a public organization, funded through the Department of Education.

(AS 14.30.600)

Under statute (AS 14.30.630), the duties of the agency include provision of special education services, including itinerant outreach services, to public school students and special education instructional support and training of local school district special education personnel. In addition, the SESA annual work calendar and job descriptions are similar to those found in public school districts.

On behalf of the SESA Board of Directors, I ask for your support of an amendment to Senate Bill 9 to include SESA as a participating employer.

In accordance with AS 14.30.620, "Employees of the agency are not in state service and are not subject to AS 39.25 (State Personnel Act). However, employees of the agency shall be members of either the Teachers' Retirement System (AS 14.25) or the Public Employees' Retirement System (AS 39.35)."

SESA entered into an AS 39.35.560, PERS participation agreement in September, 1986.

AS 39.35.600 states that eligible employees of a participating public organization are bound by the provisions of this system (PERS) and are entitled to the benefits provided under it.

All permanent part-time and full-time, non-certificated, SESA employees are members of PERS.

Inclusion of SESA in this legislation would provide individual SESA PERS members the benefit of choice related to how their credited service is calculated, comparable to other non-certificated public education employees.

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Senate Bill 9



Classified Employees' Association
MATANUSKA - SUSITNA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

PETITION IN SUPPORT OF "A YEAR FOR YEAR CREDIT"

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We the undersigned support the concept of non-certified school employees receiving a year's credit for working a school year for the purpose of retirement within PERS. We are willing to share the increased cost to provide this benefit. We are also willing to work twelve months for this credit but we are being told that there is not either work for us or the district can't afford to employ us year round. This bill would create parity for all school employees. We are asking our Legislators to support HB 323 or the concepts contained within this bill.

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March 17, 1999

The Honorable Gary Wilken
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Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Senator Wilken:

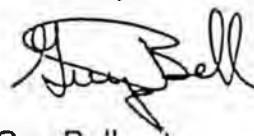
I am sending this letter to correct testimony I gave on Senate Bill 9 last week at the Senate Labor and Commerce Committee hearing.

In my testimony, I stated that non-certificated employees electing to have their service credit determined under the TRS schedule would be required to pay an additional 4.33 percent of compensation.

In discussions with our actuary late last week, we realized that different assumptions were used to calculate the 4.33 percent rate than those provided for in Senate Bill 9. The correct surcharge rate required by employees electing the increased service credit option will be 1.25 percent of compensation. Therefore, these employees would pay a total contribution of 8 percent of compensation.

I apologize for the inadvertent inaccuracy of the information presented at the Senate Labor and Commerce committee hearing.

Sincerely,



Guy Bell
Director

cc: Representative Tom Brice
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March 30, 1999

VIA TELEFAX

Senator John Torgerson, Co-Chair
Senator Sean Parnell, Co-Chair
Senate Finance Committee

Re: SB 9 PERS Credit For Noncertificated Employees

Dear Senator Parnell and Senator Torgerson:

Teamsters Local 959 represents noncertificated employees, most predominantly in the Anchorage School District. Several hundred of those members actually work less than twelve months of the year due to the nature of their jobs; included are bus drivers, food service workers and some maintenance employees. If passed, SB 9 would allow those members, by individual choice, the opportunity to receive the same credited year as their certificated counterparts for purposes of retirement. Any increased cost under this bill would be borne by the employee, not the employer (School District).

We urge your support and passage of this bill to allow, by employee choice, the opportunity to increase their credited service time as is currently the option for the certificated employees.

Sincerely,

TEAMSTERS LOCAL 959

Gerald L. Hood
Secretary-Treasurer

cc: Senator Donley, Vice-Chair
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