

**ALASKA LEGISLATURE**

**2232**

**HOUSE and SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE FILES,**

**2001 - 2002**

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 117(FIN) am  
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Amended; 2/16/01

Offered: 2/16/01

Sponsor(s): HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act making supplemental and other appropriations; and providing for an effective  
2 date."

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

4 \* Section 1. DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION. The sum of \$195,000 is  
5 appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Administration, division of Alaska  
6 longevity programs, pioneers homes, for increased costs for nurses for the fiscal year ending  
7 June 30, 2001.

8 \* Sec. 2. DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. <sup>(a)</sup> The  
9 sum of \$1,500,000 <sup>1,600,000</sup> is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Community  
10 and Economic Development for payment as a grant under AS 37.05.316 to Arctic Power for  
11 education efforts to open the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge for oil and  
12 gas exploration and development.

13 \* Sec. 3. ALASKA COURT SYSTEM. The sum of \$150,000 is appropriated from federal  
14 receipts to the Alaska Court System, trial courts, for the drug court program for the fiscal year

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# Fax

**To:** Senator Donald C. Olson      **From:** Lon Sonsalla

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**Fax:** (907) 465-4821      **Date:** February 20, 2001

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**Phone:** (800) 597-3707      **Pages:** 2

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**Re:** ANWR Impact Assistance      **CC:**

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•Comments:

**Dear Senator Olson:**

Attached is a letter explaining the City of Kaktovik's request to assist us in our efforts to deal with Arctic National Wildlife Refuge impacts. We are already under the gun. I had a telephone interview with the BBC this morning and the Associated Press out of Seattle in coming up tomorrow to spend a few days around Kaktovik. Please put this request on the fast track. Thank you.

Sincerely,



**Lon Sonsalla, Mayor**

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Dear Senator Olson:

It is a great relief to know that you are seeking resources for us to deal with the new ANWR onslaught. The situation on the ground here gravely concerns us. In the past the City has had special State and Borough funding enabling us to deal with all these outside pressures. We had some time to prepare for it and to join others committed to sensible development within these Native homelands. This time it has caught us unprepared and under-equipped. Camera crews are dropping in out of the blue to interview people who are totally confused by it all. The result could be disastrous.

In the past we had our own professional help in generating a progressive and politically reasonable and effective consensus. We need to do that again, and we need to do it immediately. In fact, we are attempting to do that now, even without the needed resources.

These are the tasks before us:

1. Discuss with the City Council and the people of Kaktovik the ramifications of oil and gas development, revisit the previously prepared consensus and position papers and arrive at an appropriate and timely plan of action by which to deal with these impacts.
2. Prepare our people for the onslaught of this renewed interest in the 1002 and a possible gasline across Canada. We shall need local staff trained and ready to meet and to deal with all the people who will be coming to town with their various agendas and points of view.
3. Prepare our local people to make appropriate representations to Congress and other government agencies so that the best interest of all our people is served.
4. Follow and coordinate with our allies in this matter, being sure we are all working from the same score and towards the same ends.
5. Follow and participate in the processes in Washington, D.C., and elsewhere as the debate and preparation advances.
6. Work to assure that the development we all want is properly designed to produce the best effect for everyone with the least damages possible.

There are, of course, no municipal funds for such an extraordinary but necessary effort. Once again the City requires special appropriations to do this work. We estimate the budget to handle the work for the next twelve months at the very modest level that we usually work to be as follows:

Travel funds for coordination and participation in major centers .....	\$45,000
Local participation payment to people for their service in this effort .....	65,000 <i>2</i>
Professional services .....	75,000
Preparation and printing of position papers .....	15,000 <i>3</i>
Accounting and other extraordinary administrative loads on the City .....	20,000 <i>2</i>
<b>Total requested appropriation .....</b>	<b><u>\$220,000</u></b>

As you can see, we are trying to accomplish a great deal with a very small budget. As always, we shall try to do as much as possible with whatever we have. If you have further questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

  
Lon Sonsalla  
Mayor

**Subject:** fast track supplemental

**Date:** Wed, 07 Mar 2001 13:47:28 -0900

**From:** Nancy Slagle <nancy\_slagle@dot.state.ak.us>

**To:** Tim J Grussendorf <Tim\_Grussendorf@legis.state.ak.us>

**CC:** "Mach, Dawn" <Dawn\_Mach@gov.state.ak.us>

I have already provided this information to James in Sen. Donley's office, but the Senator is out of town so I told him I would approach you for the needed amendment.

The Dept. is requesting a technical amendment to the language in the House Finance version of HB 117 regarding the Deadhorse combined facility. We request that language be added to identify that the funds should be added to the Northern Region Facilities current budget. If this is not specifically identified in the bill, then OMB and Div. of Finance will put this appropriation on our books as a stand alone appropriation. This is an administrative hassle for us and requires a lot of transfer of expenditures back and forth. The decision as to where an appropriation is placed is made strictly from the language in an appropriation bill and not by the backup that is submitted by the department or from Legislative Finance reports. The following change is needed:

(/ the sum of \$53,600 from federal receipts for the Deadhorse combined facility Federal Aviation Administration lease to Northern Region Facilities for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001.

Thanks for your help.

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
3 / 12 / 2001 COMMITTEE ACTION

Bill Number	HB 117		
Amendment	#1		
Motion	adopt		
<b><u>Motion by</u></b>	Olson		
<b><u>Objection by</u></b>	—		
<b><u>Removed</u></b>			
<b><u>Second Objection by</u></b>			
<b><u>Committee Member</u></b>	<b>Y</b>	<b><u>Vote</u></b>	<b>N</b>
Senator Austerman			
Senator Green			
Senator Hoffman			
Senator Leman			
Senator Olson			
Senator Ward			
Senator Wilken			
Co-Chair Donley			
Co-Chair Kelly			
<b><u>Tally</u></b>			
Yea			
Nay			
Absent			
<b><u>MOTION</u></b>	Passed		

COMMITTEE  
Amendment Number: #2  
Bill Number: HB 117  
Sponsor: Ward Date: 3/12/01  
Logged In By: Mindy

22-GH1085\FA.1  
Utermohle  
3/9/01

AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR WARD

TO: CSHB 117(FIN) am

1 Page 2, lines 6 - 18:

2 Delete all material and insert:

3 "(b) The sum of \$20,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of  
4 Fish and Game for the expenses of Board of Fisheries meetings regarding halibut subsistence  
5 regulations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001.

6 (c) The sum of \$35,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of  
7 Fish and Game for the expenses of Cook Inlet/Northern Gulf of Alaska local area fisheries  
8 management planning for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001."

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
3 / 12 / 2001 COMMITTEE ACTION

Bill Number	HB 117		
Amendment	<del>#2</del>		
Motion	adopt		
<u>Motion by</u>	—		
<u>Objection by</u>			
<u>Removed</u>			
<u>Second Objection by</u>			
<u>Committee Member</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Vote</u>	<u>N</u>
Senator Austerman			
Senator Green			
Senator Hoffman			
Senator Leman			
Senator Olson			
Senator Ward			
Senator Wilken			
Co-Chair Donley			
Co-Chair Kelly			
<u>Tally</u>			
Yea			
Nay			
Absent			
<b>MOTION Not Offered</b>			

incorporated into CS

SENATE FINANCE  
COMMITTEE  
Amendment Number: #3  
Bill Number: HB 117  
Sponsor: Hoffman Date: 3/12/01  
Logged In By: Mindy

Amendment

by Sen. Hoffman

TO: CSHB 117 (FIN) am

Dept of Transportation & Public Facilities (Section) 13

Page 4, after line 11,

Add new subsection:

(5) " the sum of \$400,000 from the general fund to implement the consent decree in Trustees for Alaska v. Hickel (Copper River Highway case) (Case No. A92-245 CIV (JKS) (Consolidated))."

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Requirements of the federal-aid highway program dictate that the Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (the designated state transportation agency) administer these funds. However, this project will be completed by AIDEA through a Memorandum of Agreement. This federal program, Transportation, Community & System Preservation (TCSP) requires no state/local match.

The preliminary estimated construction cost of airport construction is \$9.4 million to be requested by AIDEA in the next USDOT budget. Alaska DOT&PF would not be directly involved in the budgetary aspects of this project except for being the designated state transportation agency.

Summer Construction

COPPER RIVER HIGHWAY CONSENT DECREE - \$400.0 GF

The Department is requesting \$400.0 in general funds to complete the remaining tasks required regarding the Copper River Highway Consent Decree. In 1992, DOT&PF was sued for violations of the Clean Water Act while reconstructing segments of the Copper River Highway. As a result of judicial actions, the State and the plaintiffs agreed to the terms set out in the "Copper River Consent Decree."

While the State has complied with most of the terms of the decree, one area is still outstanding. Paragraph 12 of the consent decree entitled ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS states, "12. The State shall perform one or more environmental projects at a total cost of not less than \$400,000." The department and the US Corps of Engineers have jointly agreed to four environmental projects. The four projects are:

- Cordova – Power Creek Road Bridge Construction at Hatcher Creek to decrease water flow levels to allow for increased spawning and to prevent schooling of salmon below the culverts that makes them a target for predators.
- Valdez – Mineral Creek Road Culvert Replacement at Siwash Creek spurs. Replace undersized 48" culverts with elliptical shaped low profile units. This will decrease water velocity and increase flow volumes to ease adult and juvenile salmon passage.
- Cordova – Hatcher Creek vegetation work. Vegetation may consist of root wads, vegetation mats or willow planting.
- Richardson Highway – Klutina River Boat Ramp Repair. The launch ramp is in disrepair. Repairs may consist of excavation, concrete launch ramp and parking area.

This is needed to comply with settlement. This is the last part.

It is essential that funds be appropriated expeditiously for this purpose. We are committed to construction as soon as possible to comply with our agreement with the Corps and the Copper River Consent Decree. Expenditure of the not less than \$400,000 for these projects will achieve final compliance with the Copper River Consent Decree. If funding is not provided, DOT&PF cannot proceed with projects planned for the Copper River basin area. In addition, it will cause us to go back to court for non-compliance of the Consent Decree.

# STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF LAW  
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

TONY KNOWLES, GOVERNOR

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March 8, 2001

The Honorable Lyman Hoffman  
Alaska State Senator  
State Capitol, Room 7  
Juneau, AK 99801

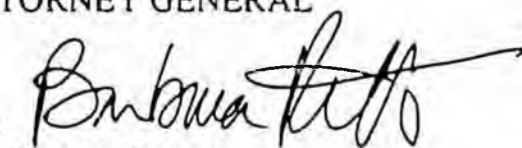
Dear Senator Hoffman:

You asked for an estimate of the costs of litigating the Copper River Highway case if the settlement is not funded and thereby declared null and void. It is difficult to project actual costs due to the age of the case and the fact that expert and fact witnesses may be unavailable and unable to remember crucial events and prior work. However, based on an estimate we did in 1994, our estimate of the minimum costs of litigating this case at this point is \$485,000. In addition to the costs of litigation, one needs to consider the costs of potentially losing the case, which could be quite substantial as well.

Sincerely,

BRUCE M. BOTELHO  
ATTORNEY GENERAL

By:



Barbara Ritchie  
Deputy Attorney General

cc. Kurt Parken, Deputy Commissioner  
Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2000 COMMITTEE ACTION

8/12/01

Bill Number	HB 117		
Amendment	#3		
Motion	adopt		
<u>Motion by</u>	H		
<u>Objection by</u>	K		
<u>Removed</u>			
<u>Second Objection by</u>			
<u>Committee Member</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Vote</u>	<u>N</u>
Senator Ward			✓
Senator Wilken			✓
Senator Austerman			✓
Senator Green			✓
Senator Hoffman	✓		
Senator ..eman			✓
Senator Olson	✓		
Co-Chair Donley			✓
Co-Chair Kelly			✓
<u>Tally</u>			
Yea	2		
Nay	7		
Absent	-		
<u>MOTION</u>	Fail		

FAX:  
SENATE FINANCE  
COMMITTEE

Amendment Number: #4  
Bill Number: HB 117  
Sponsor: Donky Date: 3/12/01  
Logged In By: J Mindy

22-GH1085\B.1  
Cramer/Utermohle  
3/11/01

AMENDMENT

By: Senator Donley

OFFERED IN THE SENATE

TO: SCS CSHB 117(FIN), Draft Version "B"

- 1 Page 1, following line 13:
- 2       Insert a new subsection to read:
- 3       "(b) The sum of \$250,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of
- 4 Community and Economic Development for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2001, and
- 5 June 30, 2002, for payment as a grant under AS 37.05.316 to Arctic Power for educational
- 6 media efforts for targeted Congressional districts to open the coastal plain of the Arctic
- 7 National Wildlife Refuge for oil and gas exploration and development."
- 8
- 9 Reletter the following subsection accordingly.

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
2000 COMMITTEE ACTION

3/12/01

Bill Number	HB 117		
Amendment	#4		
Motion	adpt		
<u>Motion by</u>	K.		
<u>Objection by</u>	none		
<u>Removed</u>			
<u>Second Objection by</u>			
<u>Committee Member</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Vote</u>	<u>N</u>
Senator Hoffman			
Senator Leman			
Senator Olson			
Senator Ward			
Senator Wilken			
Senator Austerman			
Senator Green			
Co-Chair Donley			
Co-Chair Kelly			
<u>Tally</u>			
Yea			
Nay			
Absent			
<u>MOTION</u>	Pass		

SENATE FINANCE  
COMMITTEE  
Amendment Number: #5  
Bill Number: HB 117  
Sponsor: Donley Date: 3/12/01  
Logged In By: CJM:ldy  
AMENDMENT

22-GH1085\S.1  
Utermohle  
3/10/01

OFFERED IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR DONLEY

TO: SCS CSHB 117(FIN), Draft Version "S"

1 Page 4, lines 11 - 13:

2 Delete all material and insert:

3 "\* Sec. 11. DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE. (a) The sum of \$400,000 is appropriated to  
4 the Department of Revenue, tax division, for a tax assessment challenge for the fiscal years  
5 ending June 30, 2001, and June 30, 2002, from the following sources in the amounts set out:

6	FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT
7	General fund	\$200,000
8	Statutory designated program receipts	200,000."

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
~~2000~~ **COMMITTEE ACTION**

3/12/01

Bill Number	HB 117		
Amendment	#5		
Motion	adopt		
<u>Motion by</u>	K		
<u>Objection by</u>			
<u>Removed</u>			
<u>Second Objection by</u>			
<u>Committee Member</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Vote</u>	<u>N</u>
Senator Leman			
Senator Olson			
Senator Ward			
Senator Wilken			
Senator Austerman			
Senator Green			
Senator Hoffman			
Co-Chair Donley			
Co-Chair Kelly			
<u>Tally</u>			
Yea			
Nay			
Absent			
<u>MOTION</u>	Passed		

AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR DONLEY

TO: SCS CSHB 117(FIN), Draft Version "P"

- 1 Page 3, line 28, following "demand.":
- 2       Insert "The department shall provide the study to the legislature."
- 3
- 4 Page 3, line 31, following "study.":
- 5       Insert "The department shall provide the study to the legislature."
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- 7 Page 4, line 30 following "studies).":
- 8       Insert "The department shall provide the studies to the legislature."
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- 10 Page 4, line 24, following "gas.":
- 11       Insert "The department shall provide the study to the legislature."

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
-2000 COMMITTEE ACTION

3/12/01

Bill Number	HB 117		
Amendment	#6		
Motion	adpt		
<u>Motion by</u>	K		
<u>Obiection by</u>	none		
<u>Removed</u>			
<u>Second Objection by</u>			
<u>Committee Member</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Vote</u>	<u>N</u>
Senator Green			
Senator Hoffman			
Senator Leman			
Senator Olson			
Senator Ward			
Senator Wilken			
Senator Austerman			
Co-Chair Donley			
Co-Chair Kelly			
<u>Tally</u>			
Yea			
Nay			
Absent			
<u>MOTION</u>	Passed		

SENATE FINANCE  
Amendment Number:  
Bill Number: HB 117#7  
Sponsor: Hoffman, Da.  
Sponsor: Hoffman Date: 3/4/01  
Logged In By: Mindy  
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AMENDMENT

Offered in Senate Finance  
To: SCS CSHB 117(FIN)

Offered By: Senator Hoffman

**DELETE**

Sections 4, 5(d), 8(b), 11(a), 11(b), 11(c), 11(f), and 12(c).

Section 4, DEC, \$26.0 GF, for temporary personnel  
Section 5(d), DF&G, \$43.9 GF, for temporary personnel  
Section 8(b), Law, \$150.0 GF, for legal services  
Section 11(a), DNR, \$75.0 GF, for gas royalty study  
Section 11(b), DNR, \$30.0 GF, for gas pipeline supply-side study  
Section 11(c), DNR, \$50.0 GF, for Alaska North Slope gas sales (reservoir studies)  
Section 11(f), DNR, \$293.6 GF, for State Pipeline Coordinator's Office  
Section 12(c), DOR, \$25.0 GF, for study of state's fiscal regime for ANS gas  
development  
TOTAL \$693.5 GF

**ADD a new section to read:**

\*Sec. \_\_. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES. The sum of \$693,500 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Natural Resources for gas pipeline development and related activities for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2001 and June 30, 2002.

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
3/14/2001 COMMITTEE ACTION

Bill Number	HB 117-		
Amerdment	#7		
Motion	adpnt		
<u>Motion by</u>	H		
<u>Objection by</u>	Ward		
<u>Removed</u>			
<u>Second Objection by</u>			
<u>Committee Member</u>	Y	<u>Vote</u>	N
Senator Austerman			✓
Senator Green		—	
Senator Hoffman	✓		
Senator Lemman			✓
Senator Olson	✓		
Senator Ward			✓
Senator Wilken			✓
Co-Chair Donley			✓
Co-Chair Kelly			✓
<u>Tally</u>			
Yea	2		
Nay	6		
Absent	1		
<b>MOTION</b>	<b>FAIL</b>		

SENATE FINANCE  
COMMITTEE #8  
Amendment Number: #8  
Bill Number: HB 117  
Sponsor: Olson Date: 3/14/01  
Logged In By: Mindy

AMENDMENT

Offered in Senate Finance  
To: SCS CSHB 117(FIN)

Offered By: Senator Olson

**DELETE**

Sections 11(a), 11(b), 11(c), and 11(f).

Section 11(a), DNR, \$75.0 GF, for gas royalty study

Section 11(b), DNR, \$30.0 GF, for gas pipeline supply-side study

Section 11(c), DNR, \$50.0 GF, for Alaska North Slope gas sales (reservoir studies)

Section 11(f), DNR, \$293.6 GF, for State Pipeline Coordinator's Office

TOTAL \$448.6 GF

**ADD a new section to read:**

\*Sec. \_\_. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES. The sum of \$448,600 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Natural Resources for gas pipeline development and related activities for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2001 and June 30, 2002.

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
2000 COMMITTEE ACTION

3/14/01

Bill Number	HB 117		
Amendment	# 8		
Motion	adopt		
<u>Motion by</u>	Olson		
<u>Objection by</u> <u>Removed</u>	Ward		
<u>Second Objection by</u> <u>Committee Member</u>	Y	<u>Vote</u>	N
Senator Wilken			✓
Senator Austerman			✓
Senator Green			
Senator Hoffman	✓		
Senator Leman			✓
Senator Olson	✓		
Senator Ward			✓
Co-Chair Donley			✓
Co-Chair Kelly			✓
<u>Tally</u>			
Yea	2		
Nay	6		
Absent	1		
<b>MOTION</b>	<b>FAIL</b>		

SENATE FINANCE  
COMMITTEE #9  
Amendment Number: #9  
Bill Number: HB 117  
Sponsor: Olson Date: 3/14/01  
Logged In By: Mindy

AMENDMENT

Offered in Senate Finance  
To: SCS CSHE 117(FIN)

Offered By: Senator Olson

**Amend Section 1 to read:**

\*Section 1. DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION. The sum of \$195,000 [\$100,000] is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Administration, division of Alaska longevity programs, pioneers homes, for increased costs for nurses [and nurse's assistants] for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001.

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
~~2000~~ **COMMITTEE ACTION**

3/14/01

Bill Number	HB 117		
Amendment	# 9		
Motion	adpt		
<b>Motion by</b>	Olson		
<b>Objection by</b>	Ward		
<b>Removed</b>			
<b>Second Objection by</b>			
<b>Committee Member</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Vote</b>	<b>N</b>
Senator Leman			✓
Senator Olson	✓		
Senator Ward			✓
Senator Wilken			✓
Senator Austerman			✓
Senator Green		—	
Senator Hoffman	✓		
Co-Chair Donley			✓
Co-Chair Kelly			✓
<b>Tally</b>			
Yea	2		
Nay	6		
Absent	1		
<b>MOTION</b>	FAIL		



Official Business

# Alaska State Senate

## Senate Finance Committee

Mail Stop 3100  
State Capitol  
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

### FAX COVER SHEET

DATE: 12 ~~04~~ <sup>March</sup> 01 TIME: 2:40 pm

TO: Legal Svcs.

NUMBER OF PAGES, INCLUDING COVER SHEET: 5

FROM: MINDY ROWLAND  
SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE SECRETARY  
PHONE: 465-4935  
FAX: 465-2187

NOTES: please incorporate the following 4  
amendments into SCS CS HB 117 (FIN)

22-GH1085\T

Utermohle 3/12/01

Return new Work draft Please

call w/ questions

Thanks,

Mindy

Draft  
SFIN CSHB 117am  
2001 "Fast Track"  
Supplemental

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
1	Section Number		Department	BRU or Component	Supplemental Need	House GF	Proposed Senate GF	Federal Funds	Other Funds	Fund Source	Proposed Senate Total Funds
2	<b>FAST TRACK SUPPLEMENTALS</b>										
3	1		Administration	Pioneer Homes	Nurses and nurse's assistants salaries increased through statewide reclassifications to address critical staff shortages by bringing compensation more in line with other employers.	195.0	100.0				100.0
4	2	(a)	C&ED	Direct Grant	Arctic Power - Education Efforts & Kaktovik	1,500.0	1,600.0				1,600.0
5	2	(b)	C&ED	Direct Grant	Arctic Power - targeted media expenditures in Congressional House Districts	0.0	250.0				250.0
6		(c)	C&ED	Direct Grant	Northern Forum - Operations	0.0	90.0				90.0
7	3		Court System	Trial Courts	Federal grant awarded for implementation of the Anchorage Drug Court pilot program.			150.0			150.0
8	4		DEC	Commissioner's Office	Temporary Personnel for the State Pipeline Coordinator's Office	0.0	26.0				26.0
9	5	(a)	Fish & Game	Sport Fish	Increase of federal authority for stock assessment and fisheries management projects to provide baseline data and help mitigate risks to sport fish opportunities resulting from the federal management process.			898.7			898.7
10	5	(b)	Fish & Game	Board of Fish	Expenses of meetings regarding halibut subsistence regulations	0.0	20.0			House uses Reappop	20.0
11	5	(c)	Fish & Game	Commissioner's Office	Expenses of Cook Inlet/Northern Gulf of Alaska local area fisheries management planning	0.0	35.0				35.0
12	5	(d)	Fish & Game	Commissioner's Office	Temporary Personnel for the State Pipeline Coordinator's Office		43.9				43.9
13	6		Governor	Elections	Costs of the statewide primary election necessitated by the decisions of the United States Supreme Court and the Alaska Supreme Court	252.0	252.0				252.0
14	7	(a)	Health & Social Srvc	Energy Assistance Program	Additional federal funds for Low Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP) grants.			3,351.3			3,351.3
15	7	(b)	Health & Social Srvc	Medicaid	Replace FY2001 funds which had to be used in July to pay prior year Medicaid claims to assure continuous payment of claims in April.			8,970.1	6,030.0	Statutory Designated Program Rcpts	15,000.1
16	7	(c)	Health & Social Srvc	Commissioner's Office	Suicide Prevention Efforts	0.0	325.0				325.0
17	8	(a)	Law	Govt Affairs	Funds to complete oral arguments on tort reform legislation	10.0	10.0				10.0
18	8	(b)	Law	Natural Resources	Contractual Legal Services related to development and transportation of Alaska North Slope natural gas	0.0	150.0				150.0
19	9		Legislature	Leg Council	Redistricting Board	608.4	608.4				608.4
20	10	(a)	Military & Veterans' Affairs	Office of the Commissioner	Grant to Special Olympics to help cover lodging and other costs of the World Games held in Anchorage in March.	500.0	500.0				500.0

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1	Section Number		Department	BRU or Component	Supplemental Need	House GF	Proposed Senate GF	Federal Funds	Other Funds	Fund Source	Proposed Senate Total Funds
21	10	(b)	Military & Veterans' Affairs	AK Military Academy - Capital	Laundry facilities replacement	0.0	43.0				43.0
22	11	(a)	DNR	Oil & Gas	Study of royalty in kind Alaska North Slope gas marketing strategy and in-state natural gas demand	0.0	75.0				75.0
23	11	(b)	DNR	Oil & Gas	Gas pipeline supply-side study	0.0	30.0				30.0
24	11	(c)	DNR	Oil & Gas	North Slope gas sales (reservoir studies)	0.0	50.0				50.0
25	11	(d)	DNR	Oil & Gas	Fill vacant positions and purchase software	0.0	140.0				140.0
26	11	(e)	DNR	Oil & Gas	Seismic data acquisition and interpretation	0.0	192.0				192.0
27	11	(f)	DNR	Oil & Gas	Personnel, contractual services and equipment for the State Pipeline Coordinator's Office	0.0	293.6				293.6
28	12	(a)	Revenue	Tax Division	Expert analysis for a major North Slope oil and gas property tax assessment challenge.	638.0	200.0		200.0	Statutory Designated Program Rcpts	400.0
29	12	(b)	Revenue	Administration & Support	Emergency replacement of air conditioner in computer room.	31.5	31.5				31.5
30	12	(c)	Revenue	Treasury Division	Study of the state's fiscal regime for development of Alaska North Slope natural gas	0.0	25.0				25.0
31	13	(a)	State Debt		Appropriate remaining balance of the general obligation bond redemption fund to the debt retirement fund.				102.2		102.2
32	13	(b)	State Debt		Additional appropriation needed to meet FY2001 debt service obligations.	639.8	639.8				639.8
33	14	(a)	Transportation	Capital	Fairbanks International Airport equipment storage maintenance facility to be funded with Passenger Facility Charges				905.0	International Airports Revenue Fund	905.0
34	14	(b)	Transportation	Capital	Fairbanks International Airport safety and maintenance equipment to be funded with Passenger Facility Charges				1,065.0	International Airports Revenue Fund	1,065.0
35	14	(c)	Transportation	Capital	Delong Mountain airport access study			281.9			281.9
36	14	(d)	Transportation	Northern Region Facilities	Deadhorse Combined Facilities project funded from the Federal Aviation Administration lease			53.6			53.6
37	14	(e)	Transportation	Capital	Fairbanks downtown transit and cultural integration planning.			422.8			422.8
38	15				Lapse Provisions						
39	16				Effective Date						
40	<b>FAST TRACK BILL SUB-TOTAL</b>					<b>4,374.7</b>	<b>5,730.2</b>	<b>14,128.4</b>	<b>8,302.2</b>		<b>28,160.8</b>
41	<b>House appropriations not funded in Draft CS</b>										
42	Old 5	(b)	Governor	Governmental Coordination	Reduce backlog due to large increase in oil and gas permit coordination workload compared to last year.	14.3	0.0				

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	Old 10	Natural Resources	Gasline - Capital	Gas pipeline development-related activities to expedite field season research and other pre-application state responsibilities.	600.0	0.0					
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<b>FAST TRACK SUPPLEMENTALS</b>									
1		Administration	Pioneer Homes	Nurses salaries increased through statewide reclassifications to address critical staff shortages by bringing compensation more in line with other employers.	195.0			195.0	
2		Community & Economic Development	Arctic Power	Designated Grant to Arctic Power for education efforts to open ANWR	1,500.0			1,500.0	
3		Court System	Trial Courts	Federal granted awarded for implementation of the Anchorage Drug Court pilot program.		150.0		150.0	
4	(a)	Fish & Game	Sport Fish	Increase of federal authority for stock assessment and fisheries management projects to provide baseline data and help mitigate risks to sport fish opportunities resulting from the federal management process.		898.7		898.7	
4	(b), (c) &	Fish & Game	Board of Fish	Reappropriation of Kenai River Area Plan funds to fund Board of Fish Halibut Subsistence Regulations (\$20,000) and Cook Inlet/Northern Gulf of Alaska fisheries management (\$35,000)			Reapprop	0.0	
5	(a)	Governor	Elections	Costs incurred to comply with the US Supreme Court decision on closed statewide primary election held in August 2000	252.0			252.0	
5	(b)	Governor	Governmental Coordination	Reduce backlog due to large increase in oil and gas permit coordination workload compared to last year.	14.3			14.3	
6	(a)	Health & Social Svc	Energy Assistance Program	Additional federal funds for Low Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP) grants.		3,351.3		3,351.3	
6	(b)	Health & Social Svc	Medicaid	Replace FY2001 funds which had to be used in July to pay prior year Medicaid claims to assure continuous payment of claims in April.		8,970.1	6,030.0	Statutory Designated Program Rcpts	15,000.1
7		Law	Gov't Affairs	Funding to complete oral arguments to Supreme Court on tort reform legislation	10.0			10.0	
8		Legislature	Legislative Council	Funding for the work of the Redistricting Board	608.4			608.4	
9		Military & Veterans' Affairs	Office of the Commissioner	Grant to Special Olympics to help cover lodging and other costs of the World Games being held in Anchorage in March.	500.0			500.0	
10		Natural Resources	Pipeline Coordinator's Office	Gas pipeline development-related activities to expedite field season research and other pre-application state responsibilities.	600.0			600.0	
11	(a)	Revenue	Tax Division	Expert analysis for a major North Slope oil and gas property tax assessment challenge.	638.0		638.0	Statutory Designated Program Rcpts	1,276.0
11	(b)	Revenue	Administration & Support	Emergency replacement of air conditioner in computer room.	31.5				31.5
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13	(2)	Transportation	Capital			1,065.0	International Airports Revenue Fund	1,065.0
13	(3)	Transportation	Capital			281.9		281.9
13	(4)	Transportation	Northern Region Facilities			53.6		53.6
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<b>FAST TRACK BILL TOTAL</b>				<b>4,989.0</b>	<b>13,705.6</b>	<b>8,740.2</b>		<b>27,434.7</b>

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8		Legislature	Legislative Council	Funding for the work of the Redistricting Board	608.4			608.4	
9		Military & Veterans' Affairs	Office of the Commissioner	Grant to Special Olympics to help cover lodging and other costs of the World Games being held in Anchorage in March.	500.0			500.0	
10		Natural Resources	Pipeline Coordinator's Office	Gas pipeline development-related activities to expedite field season research and other pre-application state responsibilities.	600.0			600.0	
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14				Lapse Provisions					
15				Effective Date					
<b>FAST TRACK BILL TOTAL</b>					<b>4,837.0</b>	<b>13,705.6</b>	<b>8,740.2</b>		<b>27,282.7</b>

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE  
Senator Rick Halford  
*President of the Senate*

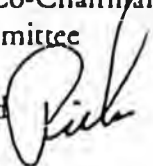
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Dave Donley, Co-Chairman  
Senate Finance Committee

Senator Pete Kelly, Co-Chairman  
Senate Finance Committee

FROM: Senator Rick Halford 

DATE: March 12, 2001

SUBJECT: Suicide Prevention Funding

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As you may be aware, suicide rates in Alaska have been historically high. It is a tragic event that affects the family, the community and the state. Most recently the Yukon-Koyukuk and the Mat-Su Valley regions have experienced what seems to be a suicide epidemic. I believe we need to recognize the seriousness of this issue by increasing our commitment to suicide prevention with additional funding.

I respectfully request the Senate Finance Committee consider transferring \$325,000 from the FY 02 Capital Budget to the FY 01 Fast-track Supplemental. Additional background information from Commissioner Karen Perdue, Department of Health and Social Services is attached for your review.

Thank you for your consideration.

# STATE OF ALASKA

## DEPT. OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

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March 9, 2001

Honorable Rick Halford  
Alaska State Senate  
State Capitol, Room 111  
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

Senator Halford:

I appreciate your deep concern regarding suicide in Alaska.

Suicide rates in Alaska have historically been unacceptably high, double the national average. It is even more tragic when young people take their lives, a sad fact we see reflected in our statistics. Suicide is a complex problem, which requires family, community, and statewide involvement.

In considering this budget amendment, some have asked what has changed to require such immediate attention to this issue. Suicides have increased dramatically recently in some regions of the state--notably the Yukon-Koyukuk region and in the Matanuska Valley. Suicide attempts are also on the increase. Another young man--24 years old--with a new wife and baby, committed suicide yesterday by hanging himself in the Yukon-Koyukuk region.

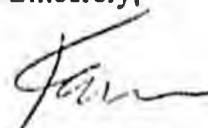
The cumulative impact of these "clusters" of deaths has led many people dealing with these tragedies to say, "We must do something before we lose another life." Attached you will find more details on the recent tragedies in these two regions of the state.

This budget request does two things: 1) provide modest but immediate help to regions in the state hit hard by suicide and suicide attempts, and 2) to reconvene experts and community leaders to determine if we have the best strategies in place to prevent suicide.

Alaska has ongoing innovative efforts to combat suicide, but most of our efforts are patterned from the 1988 Suicide Prevention work done by the Alaska State Senate, lead by Senator Willie Hensley. It's time to re-examine our efforts--and the sooner the better.

Again, thanks for your interest.

Sincerely,



Karen Perdue  
Commissioner

cc: Honorable Georgianna Lincoln

## Suicide Prevention Funding: Why Now?

While the rates and numbers of suicide have remained fairly constant for the State of Alaska as a whole over the past 10 years, the number of suicides in some regions of the state have increased dramatically over the past two to three years.

Especially in smaller communities, each suicide affects many people. The feelings that typically follow a suicide are extreme pain, grief, and guilt. Multiple suicides, or suicide epidemics, add to that already difficult mix of confusion, fear, self-doubt, and a strong sense of helplessness. "What is wrong with us that this is happening? Who will be next? What can we do to make it stop?" These feelings increase the risk of additional suicides.

Two of the hardest hit regions are the 6 villages of the Yukon-Koyukuk Region, about 1,700 people, and the Matanuska Valley, about 53,000 people.

In the Mat Valley from January 2000 through February 2001, ten young people killed themselves. One additional Valley resident killed himself while living in a correctional facility elsewhere. Six of the eleven were still in school. One was in junior high. Three were girls. Eight of the 11 shot themselves. Some were white. Some were Native. At least three were high achievers. Some came from middle class, highly educated families. Some did not. Two of the deaths were 17-year-old boys. One hanged himself. One shot himself. They occurred within two weeks of each other, just last month.

In 2000, the school district logged 367 crisis-counseling sessions. 97% were for suicidal or homicidal ideation. 60 young people were hospitalized. This school year there have been 235 crisis-counseling sessions; an increasing number of them have been with elementary school children. 28 young people have been hospitalized for suicide attempts. At times, it has been difficult to find beds for these youth. The adolescent units at Charter North and Providence Hospital have been full.

In the Yukon-Koyukuk region in 2000, there were 14 deaths. Seven of them were suicides. All involved substance abuse. Only two were older than 25. One village with about 250 people experienced two adolescent suicides in the fall of 1999, three suicides in 2000, and one, a 15 year old boy who shot himself, in 2001. If the city of Anchorage had the same rate of suicide as this village, 3,000 Anchorage residents would have killed themselves in the year 2000. In fact, the average number of suicides in a year for the entire state is about 130.

In one case, a severely depressed man who also had a substance abuse problem and his wife desperately sought help for a period of weeks preceding the man's suicide. But most residential substance abuse treatment programs do not feel they are equipped to treat people who are also depressed and suicidal. He was admitted. He was seen at a mental health unit, but released. Many mental health units do not feel equipped to treat substance abuse problems. He and his wife begged for help, but programs that treat the dually diagnosed were not available.

In 2001, the region has experienced 2 suicides. Mental health staff have responded to 17 suicide attempts. One of the suicides this year was a 24-year-old man. This recent husband and new father hanged himself in the middle of the afternoon. He is the third brother in his family to kill himself.

The people of the Yukon-Koyukuk Region, and the people, especially parents, school staff and young people, of the Matanuska Valley are asking those suicide epidemic questions: "What is wrong with us that this is happening? Who will be next? Is there anything we can do to make it stop?" We must respond that there are things we can do and we must provide the resources to do them.

**Alaska Redistricting Board Supplemental Budget Request (1/19/01)**

**Projected Expenses from Jan-31 to June 30 (5 months)**

**Information provided by  
The Redistricting Board  
and Legislative Council**

**Personal Services**

Ex Director	\$38,060.00
Admin Assistant	\$23,250.00
Technical support 1	
Technical support 2	\$32,500.00
Technical support 3	\$32,500.00

**Travel**

Public Mtgs-Phase 1	\$20,000.00
Board Meetings	\$40,000.00
Work Sessions	\$47,200.00
Hearings-Phase 2	\$116,480.00

**Contractual/Srvcs**

Dr. Handley contract	\$44,000.00
RDI extension	\$14,200.00
Internet map server	\$40,000.00
Volland extension	\$50,000.00
Jeffus and Williams	\$2,500.00
Spectrum Design	\$3,000.00
CD copies	\$1,000.00
Advertising	\$30,000.00
telecom svcs	\$1,500.00
telephone	\$3,500.00
copying	\$1,000.00
Meeting room rental	\$1,500.00
Stenographic svcs	\$50,000.00
copier rental	\$3,000.00
Expert Consulting	\$40,000.00
Radio time	\$5,000.00
Misc	\$1,000.00

**Supplies**

printing supplies	\$2,500.00
postage	\$500.00
CD disks/ mailers	\$500.00
Misc.	\$3,000.00

**Capital/Equipment**

projector/screen	\$5,000.00
tape recorder	\$350.00
scanner	\$500.00
telephones	\$3,600.00
teleconf. installation	\$500.00
misc	\$2,500.00

\$660,140.00

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\$608,396.00

**Alaska Redistricting Board Expenditure Projection Through January 31, 2001(1/19/01)**

**Projected Expenses Through January 31, 2001**

Category	10-Jan (actual)	projection 31-Jan	est. total 31-Jan	est. balance 31-Jan
<b>Personal Services</b>	<b>\$15,700.00</b>			
Ex. Dir.		\$7,612.00		
Admin. Assistant		\$4,796.00		
Technical 1(RSA w/DOL)		\$55,000.00		
Technical 2				
<b>Travel</b>	<b>\$21,779.00</b>			
Board Meeting 1/16		\$3,500.00		
NCSL conference		\$14,000.00		
<b>Contractual/Misc.Services</b>	<b>\$250,480.00</b>			
DRI contract extension		\$50,000.00		
Spectrum Design		\$3,500.00		
Bldg Renovation		\$5,650.00		
Rent		\$24,000.00		
Advertising		\$2,000.00		
stationery		\$250.00		
business cards		\$150.00		
postage		\$150.00		
telephone		\$150.00		
<b>Supplies</b>	<b>\$1,747.00</b>			
misc.		\$1,000.00		
<b>Capital Equipment</b>	<b>\$80,792.00</b>			
misc.		\$1,000.00		
laptop computer		\$5,000.00		
backup software		\$510.00		
antivirus software for server		\$500.00		
backup tapes		\$620.00		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$370,498.00</b>	<b>\$177,758.00</b>	<b>\$548,256.00</b>	<b>\$51,744.00</b>

REAPPORTIONMENT FUNDING:

(AK Constit. Art. VI, Sec. 8 required 5 member reapportionment advisory board)

OPERATING BUDGET INCREMENTS:

Executive Office, Reapportionment Board:

FY90	Start-up operating budget increment	214.1	1 PFT
FY91	Additional operating budget increment of 529.7 for total of and, Excc. Ops. carry-forward funds	743.8 10.6	1 PFT

(note - gubernatorial transition in Dec. 1990 resulted in two separate boards, the Cowper Board and the Hickel Board, and a presumed increase in total cost)

Division of Elections

FY93	Reapportionment implementation	102.9
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SPECIAL APPROPRIATION:

FY94	Division of Elections - GIFing, new voter ID cards & mailing, new precinct map reproduction	297.7
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CONTINGENCY FUND:

FY92	To Dept. of Law for Reapportionment defense expenses - expert witnesses	30.0
FY93	For Reapportionment Board expenses to formulate court mandated revisions and, Excc. Ops. carry-forward funds	153.1 34.8

OPERATING SUPPLEMENTALS:

FY92	Division of Elections - redrafting precinct boundaries *included 166.5 for DNR RSA (mapping)	424.0 *
FY93	Division of Elections - reapportionment expenditures	150.8

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Frank Smith  
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September 18, 1994

Bruce Bothelo  
Attorney General  
Box 110300  
Juneau, AK 99811-0300

Dear Mr. Bothelo,

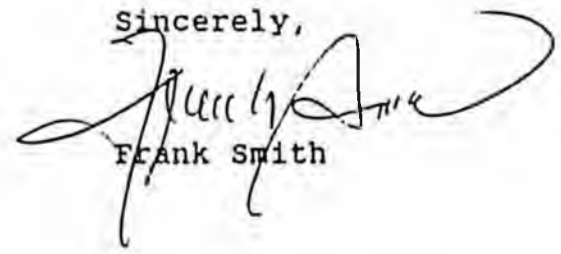
I would like information which I assume is a matter of public record.

I know that the State has spent a great deal of money in its process of redistricting, and in the defense of that redistricting. Is it possible to get a recapitulation of the total expenses involved? This would consist in part of all legal fees and expenses reimbursed to parties who successfully contested the original and subsequent redistrictings, all those monies which the state spent in the defense of that redistricting including staff time, expert witnesses, purchased services, and the in-house staff, computer and other costs of redoing the original districting which the court found wanting. If you are not able to answer my request in full, I would appreciate an answer in part to these questions, and perhaps, referral to other sources where I might secure the total costs involved.

I don't know if the redistricting has been finally approved by the court. If there exist any open challenges to the process, is there any estimate as to the potential liability to the state if such challenges were to prevail?

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Frank Smith

# STATE OF ALASKA

## DEPARTMENT OF LAW

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION

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October 27, 1994

Mr. Frank Smith  
Box 1199  
Barrow, Alaska 99723

Dear Mr. Smith:

Attorney General Botelho has asked that I respond to your request of September 18, 1994, for information about the state's cost to defend the original and subsequent reapportionment plans.

First, the legal fees and costs reimbursed to those who contested the plans totalled \$1,136,905.22. Second, the state's cost in connection with the plans included \$741,656 for inhouse costs and \$248,560 for the outside cost of expert witnesses, Washington, D.C., counsel and evidence preparation. Total state costs of \$990,216 to assist the reapportionment boards and to defend the plan included \$139,920 in initial costs to assist Governor Cowper's reapportionment board and \$135,502 in outside counsel costs in Washington, D.C., to assist the state in obtaining preclearance plan approval from the U.S. Department of Justice, as required by the Federal Voting Rights Act. An undetermined amount of the state's inhouse attorney cost, including over half the costs for lead attorney Virginia Ragle, was devoted to providing assistance to Governor Hickel's reapportionment board and to the federal preclearance process. These latter costs, although included in the total shown above, were not associated with the challenges to the plans.

The Department of Law's outside costs, as well as the amounts paid to the parties who opposed the reapportionment plan(s), are a matter of public record. The state's inhouse costs, however, were never calculated before and are a new record that had to be created in order to respond to your request. Unfortunately,

preparation of the department's annual operating budget request, which was submitted yesterday morning, coincided with your request. Consequently, the delay in responding was unavoidable.

It is important to point out that the state's inhouse costs are estimates. The estimates are based on the rates that the department charges for its services when the department is reimbursed for its services. These rates are in turn based on daily time reports of those attorneys whose services are reimbursed. These reports are substantially detailed in order to conform to federal reporting requirements. In this case, however, the attorneys who worked on reapportionment do not provide reimbursable services, and because of the attendant timekeeping cost, (over \$2.00 per billable hour) time reports were not used.

Consequently, it was necessary to estimate the amount of effort per attorney and then apply the department's standard reimbursement rates to that effort to arrive at an estimated inhouse cost. These rates were established to allow the department to recoup costs for the state treasury when state legal services are provided for federal and other non-general fund program activities. They include attorney salaries and benefits and the overhead cost of clerical support, communications, copying, office space, supplies, law library, and equipment. Although reimbursement of these costs does not apply here, it is my belief that use of the rates provides a fair representation of the Department of Law's inhouse costs in this matter.

Finally, you have asked if the current reapportionment plan has been approved by the court. The short answer is yes. The case contesting the final plan has been dismissed. Federal preclearance approval has been granted. There is one remaining case in the U.S. District Court for Alaska, Guy v. Hickel, which may be concluded by a pending motion for summary judgment. It is not anticipated that this remaining case will have an impact on the current plan.

Please let me know if I can provide any additional information or be of further assistance.

Very truly yours,

BRUCE M. BOTELHO  
ATTORNEY GENERAL

By: *Richard I. Pegues*  
Richard I. Pegues, Director  
Administrative Services Division

Attachments (3)

SCHEDULE OF COURT-AWARDED ATTORNEY COSTS AND FEES  
PAID TO REAPPORTIONMENT PLAINTIFFS

Tanana Chiefs Conference (Demientiff v. Hickel)	\$ 79,612.10
Arctic Slope Regional Corp. (Leavitt v. Hickel)	\$254,038.93
Sonosky, Chambers, et al. (Mat-Su v. Hickel)	\$319,857.92
Sonosky, Chambers, et al. (Southeast Conf. v. Hickel)	\$349,678.25
Alaska Democratic Party	\$133,718.02
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TOTAL	\$1,136,905.22

SCHEDULE OF OUTSIDE COSTS FOR EXPERT WITNESSES,  
WASHINGTON, D.C. COUNSEL AND EVIDENCE PRODUCTION

OUTSIDE CONTRACTORS

Shaw, Pittman, et al. (Washington, D.C. Legal Counsel)	\$135,502.24
Alaska Research Associates (Exp. Witness/Consultant)	\$ 50,559.63
Bernard Grofman (Exp. Witness/Consultant)	\$ 20,000.00
Jack Kruse - UAA (ISER) (Exp. Witness/Consultant)	\$ 18,928.80
Dept. of Natural Resources (RSA) (Mapping Services)	\$ 8,304.69
Wickwire, Green, et al. (Cost sharing agreement w/ASRC)	\$ 1,768.52
Taku Stenographic Reporters (Court Reporter)	\$ 13,496.37
TOTAL	\$248,560.25

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF LAW INHOUSE COSTS  
REAPPORTIONMENT  
1990/1994

Virginia Ragle, Lead Attorney, Attorney IV

<u>Period</u>	<u>Estimated Time</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Est. Cost</u>
2/1/91-6/30/91	50% x 120 hrs x 5	\$ 106	\$ 31,800
7/1/91-2/29/92	70% x 120 hrs x 8	\$ 117	\$ 78,624
3/1/92-6/30/92	100% x 120 hrs x 4	\$ 117	\$ 56,160
7/1/92-5/31/93	60% x 120 hrs x 11	\$ 108	\$ 85,536
6/1/93-6/30/93	75% x 120 hrs x 1	\$ 108	\$ 9,720
7/1/93-4/30/94	75% x 120 hrs x 10	\$ 94	\$ 84,600
5/1/94-6/30/94	10% x 120 hrs x 2	\$ 94	\$ 2,256
7/1/94-9/15/94	10% x 120 hrs x 2.5	\$ 106	\$ 3,180
	Total		\$ 351,876

William Morse, Original Board Attorney, Attorney IV

<u>Period</u>	<u>Estimated Time</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Est. Cost</u>
4/2/90-3/1/91	100% x 120 hrs x 11	\$ 106	\$ 139,920
	Total		\$ 139,920

Mary Lundquist, Attorney I/II

<u>Period</u>	<u>Estimated Time</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Est. Cost</u>
10/8/91-4/15/92	100% x 120 hrs x 7	\$ 80	\$ 62,400
4/16/92-9/30/92	100% x 120 hrs x 5.5	\$ 88	\$ 58,080
	Total		\$ 120,480

Neil Slotnick, Attorney II/III

<u>Period</u>	<u>Estimated Time</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Est. Cost</u>
1/1/92-2/29-92	50% x 120 hrs x 2	\$ 88	\$ 10,560
3/1/92-4/30/92	90% x 120 hrs x 2	\$ 88	\$ 19,008
5/1/92-6/30/92	60% x 120 hrs x 2	\$ 88	\$ 12,672
7/1/92-7/31/92	50% x 120 hrs x 1	\$ 80	\$ 4,800
8/1/92-10/31/92	5% x 120 hrs x 3	\$ 80	\$ 1,440
11/1/92-11/30/92	50% x 120 hrs x 1	\$ 80	\$ 4,800
3/1/93-3/31/93	5% x 120 hrs x 1	\$ 80	\$ 480
4/1/93-4/30/93	50% x 120 hrs x 1	\$ 80	\$ 4,800
5/1/93-6/30/93	5% x 120 hrs x 2	\$ 80	\$ 960
7/1/93-4/30/94	5% x 120 hrs x 10	\$ 83	\$ 4,980
	Total		\$ 64,500

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENT OF LAW INHOUSE COSTS  
REAPPORTIONMENT  
1990/1994

Kenneth Leaf, Legal Assistant

<u>Period</u>	<u>Estimated Time</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Est. Cost</u>
7/22/91-6/15/92	40% x 120 hrs x	11 x \$ 30	= \$ 15,840
		Total	\$ 15,840

Jim Wanamaker, Trial Attorney

<u>Period</u>	<u>Estimated Time</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Est. Cost</u>
4/15/92-5/15/92	100% x 120 hrs x	1 x \$ 117	= \$ 14,040
		Total	\$ 14,040

Discovery efforts prior to original trial

<u>Period</u>	<u>Estimated Time</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Est. Cost</u>
3/1/92-4/15/92	Various x 350 hrs	x \$ 100	= \$ 35,000
		Total	\$ 35,000

Total inhouse cost for attorneys and legal assistants, including all support costs such as secretaries, office space, copying, communications, supplies, law library, and equipment	=	\$ 741,656
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Please note that a base number of billing hours of 120 hours per month has been used to calculate inhouse attorney costs. Although the number of project hours in a given month often exceeded this amount, particularly when preparing for or conducting a trial, the cost to the state remained constant. This is because all of the state's attorneys are salaried and do not receive additional wages for overtime work.

Fax To:

**Sen Gary WILKEN**

**465 - 4714**

**Section 10 of HB 117  
Fast Track Supplement before the Finance Committee.**

From:

**Harold Heinze**

**Fax: 561 - 4246**

**Phone: 561 - 6273**

**THREE Pages Follow**

**Sent mid-day on Monday, March 12, 2001**

**Dear Senator Wilken:**

The following is in response to your request for more specific information on the *non-alaskan* actions of the Knowles administration and oil industry over the last six-months. I am very pro-development, but I have a continuing concern that the average Alaskan doesn't have much to gain from any of the North Slope gas projects.



**Harold Heinze**  
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March 12, 2001

Dear Senator Wilken:

Thank you for taking enough interest to see if there was anything behind my testimony to the Senate Finance Committee this morning.

As a self-employed consultant I'm very attuned to the current lack of opportunities in Alaska related to North Slope gas development. As a former ARCO Alaska President and Commissioner of Natural Resources I know that without some strong policy direction now and a certainty of accountability related to employing Alaskans and using Alaskan contractors all the gas development ideas will drown in a wave of public skepticism.

Attached is my earlier letter to the Governor setting forth the examples of political and private sector miss-steps I've seen. While I tried to step on everyone's toe, the BP award for the construction of a gas-to-liquid pilot plant on the Kenai to a Houston firm is still incomprehensible to me. I was personally shocked by the three Knowles appointed Commissioners of the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission award for Prudhoe Bay gas rules scoping work to a Californian over my low bid.

I would ask that the Senate consider adding policy direction language to the Section 10 appropriation. As I mentioned, a requirement to report back to the legislature on any non-Alaskan spending may be the clearest communication tool to the Knowles administration appointees and the bureaucracy. Setting a clear example of accountability for industry would be a major help to assuring that the benefits of North Slope gas development are Alaskanized.

*Harold Heinze*

**Harold C. Heinze**

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January 31, 2001

Dear Governor Knowles:

Thanks for taking the time to talk to me at the Alliance meeting. This note is in follow-up to the point I was making on the importance of credible actions by your administration in support of the leadership position you've taken on building a gasline down the Alaska Highway.

First, as I told you, I believe you are on the right path and right approach to helping move North Slope gas to market and assuring that the Alaska public interest is maximized. I personally trust you to do what you've included in your conditions

Unfortunately, the companies and governments involved in making a North Slope gas project happen have not demonstrated a commitment to putting Alaskans and Alaska contractors to work. By way of example!

- BP is now the sole Prudhoe Bay Unit operator and BP recently rejected all of Alaska's major contractors in the selection of a Houston company to build the GTL pilot plant on the Kenai. This denies any Alaskan company the opportunity to be on the front end of the GTL learning curve.
- Bechtel is the prime contractor for the "gasline authority". Bechtel's history in Alaska, especially TAPS, is to bring in all outsiders just as they would in an undeveloped nation elsewhere in the globe. Going to San Francisco or Houston to get work here doesn't sit well with any Alaskans.
- The gas project groups (i.e., Yukon-Pacific or the Phillips led group) haven't made Alaskan involvement a major goal. While these groups offer some cities additional tax revenue, there is no broad outreach of employment or contracting to the people and companies along the route.
- The latest combined producer gas study group is in the contractor selection process. We all will be looking closely to assure that the joint BP / Exxon / Phillips project group maximizes working relationships with Alaskans.

Governor, through example the State can SHOW the private sector how you want Alaskans and Alaska contractors treated in any North Slope gas project. Unfortunately, your administration has missed several opportunities to get on the right track — by way of example.

- Contractor selection for major oil industry related decisions by the State (i.e., improving gas line economics and the BP-Arco merger) is totally dominated by big names from the outside without including Alaskan experts.
- In November the Alaska Oil & Gas Conservation Commission awarded a Californian the advisory scoping work to revise the Prudhoe Bay field rules to allow gas sales. My low bid for this work was skipped over even though I was rated capable and responsive. I believe this contract has set the tone for future technical working relationships on Prudhoe Bay reservoir management. Past AOGCC Commissioners had encouraged development of a cadre of petroleum professionals in Alaska.

My major suggestion is that you announce that the additional work in the supplemental funding you've requested to move the gasline forward will be spent under the strict condition that qualified Alaskans will do the work at competitive rates. I think this would be a positive leadership position that will encourage the Cabinet level leadership to assure that the Knowle's administration commitment to making this an Alaskan project. This approach is well within the contracting authority's discretion and totally proper under the State's administrative rules.

I think this is an immediate action item since in a matter of weeks this approach to Alaskanizing Alaska's public financial support of the gasline could appear in the legislative committee forum and it would become someone else's idea.

Thanks for taking the time to read this longer than intended epistle, but I wanted to be clear that I see a great opportunity for you to assert your strong leadership and to continue to do all that you can to make Alaska's future better.

*Harold Heinz*

TONY KNOWLES  
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February 6, 2001

The Honorable Brian Porter  
Speaker of the House  
Alaska State Legislature  
State Capitol  
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

Dear Speaker Porter:

I am transmitting to you today two supplemental appropriation bills for Fiscal Year 2001, including this one which I urge you to put on a "fast track" for final action as early in March as possible. The legislature and public are already familiar with the Special Olympics and gas line projects in this "fast track" bill, but several other issues also need attention sooner than the regular supplemental schedule allows.

In my State of the State/State of the Budget speech, I proposed that we join together to quickly provide \$500,000 toward the success of an extraordinary event that will take place in Anchorage early next month. The organizers of the Special Olympics World Winter Games have garnered tremendous financial and in-kind support to bring athletes and their families to Alaska from all over the world, but they need our help now to complete the funding for lodging and other basic expenses.

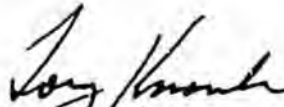
We also need early supplemental action so state agencies can proceed quickly with intensive preparations to receive an application for construction of the natural gas pipeline. As an example, the Departments of Fish and Game and Environmental Conservation will not be able to conduct a full field season this year unless they receive the necessary funds in time to hire staff and make other financial commitments. With an appropriation of \$1.96 million in March, we could intensify the overall gas line effort considerably and avoid a full year's delay on the necessary field work.

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The Honorable Brian Porter  
February 6, 2001  
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Approval of this bill in March would make it possible to begin several transportation and fisheries research projects this summer. It would also ensure timely debt service payments and uninterrupted processing of Medicaid payments. These and other timing issues are described in the backup materials.

Sincerely,



Tony Knowles  
Governor

HB 117



# Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the \_\_\_\_\_ SFIN

Committee on HB 117, dated \_\_\_\_\_, committee name 3/8/01  
bill # / subject

*The following is testimony to  
supplement verbal testimony from  
David Martin.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

*Kenai Lio*

Testifier

Representing (optional)

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[Fwd: Federal Subsistence]

**Subject:** [Fwd: Federal Subsistence]

**Date:** Mon, 26 Feb 2001 14:06:50 -0900

**From:** Diana Cote <diana\_cote@fishgame.state.ak.us>

Hello, (Commissioner Rue)  
Here's Frank's email to staff--let me know if you have any questions.  
Diana

----- Original Message -----

**Subject:** Federal Subsistence

**Date:** Mon, 26 Feb 2001 13:20:57 -0900

**From:** Frank Rue <frank\_rue@fishgame.state.ak.us>

For a number of months we have been concerned our state management obligations have been compromised by the increasing amounts of time many of you have had to devote to the federal subsistence program. As you know, we now spend an enormous amount of time on federal subsistence issues, including regulatory proposals, liaison with the federal board and RACs, development of operating protocols, travel to federal staff meetings, information sharing, etc. We have tried a number of strategies to obtain funding necessary to support what we believe is a necessary level of commitment to federal subsistence issues. And on numerous occasions we have been assured there is support within the federal program for funding to help offset our costs. However, this tacit support has not translated to agreement on basic funding issues.

At this point we find we are at the point that continuing erosion of our state management capabilities, due to an overload of federal management tasks, is unacceptable. We have determined, reluctantly, that until we have adequate budget support from the federal government, we must be selective in our engagement, and our acceptance of federal subsistence management tasks. This selective engagement must also consider our bottom-line commitment to resource protection and protecting resource users. Hopefully this period will be short-lived, and we will soon come to agreement with the federal program on a cooperative funding and cooperative management strategy.

Our immediate need is to avoid expenditures on federal subsistence issues and processes that detract from state obligations. Having said that, we want to be smart about this selective engagement and avoid appearing petty. The following guidelines should be used to help determine the extent of participation by you or your staff.

-- Travel and staff time devoted to the federal regulatory process and development of operating agreements is the greatest drain on scarce time and funds. So, tasks that involve travel costs or significant staff commitments should be avoided. I am aware that not all federal involvement actions are costly. Please feel free to find opportunities to consult with federal staff or stop in at RAC meetings, to the extent this does not take significant time away from necessary state-management duties.

-- Many of your staff have already prepared documents designed to assist the RACs in addressing federal board proposals. If there is minimal or no cost of transmitting this information to RACs, please do so.

-- Federally funded research has been directed toward cooperative programs to enhance resource conservation and informed management. As these projects come with implementing funds, they involve several partner groups, and could cover some future coordination costs, we should continue with ongoing discussions.

**Subject: Federal Subsistence Interactions**

**Date: Fri, 23 Feb 2001 11:10:53 -0900**

**From: Diana Cote <diana\_cote@fishgame.state.ak.us>**

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Attn: Bill Stockwell

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Adam Coto

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Jon Van Hyning  
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Per the Commissioner's decision and concurrence from the directors, the department is withdrawing our participation from the federal subsistence program. Despite a continually increasing workload resulting from our participation and cooperation, requests for federal fiscal help to support our efforts have been unsuccessful. We will not attend RAC meetings, provide comments on federal proposals, nor provide information.

State advisory committees who are scheduled to meet this spring should remove any federal issues from their agendas. No comments or positions of state ACs will be forwarded to federal RACs or federal staff, nor should be reflected in official minutes of state AC meetings. AC members who are interested in being involved in the federal program may, of course, do so at their own expense and representing themselves.

Commissioner Rue is in contact with the USFWS to work toward resolution of this issue. This decision is an important one and I will keep you informed of developments.

Diana Cote <diana\_cote@fishgame.state.ak.us>

Executive Director  
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Department of Fish and Game

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Steve Sullivan  
Tom Payton  
John Standlmeier  
Jack Taylor



# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Finance Committee

Committee Name

Committee on CS for House Bill # 117 Sec 2 Dated 2/29/01

I strongly object to <sup>Bill / Subject</sup> appropriating \$150,000 from the general fund for payment as a grant to Arctic Policy "for educational efforts to open the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge for oil and gas exploration and ~~gas~~ development. Did this go through the customary grant application procedure?

I feel this is an inappropriate, unfair and misleading use of public money to further the special interests and financial gain of special commercial interests, mainly multi-national oil corporations; not for the dissemination of factual information and opinions on a very controversial public concern nation wide.

If your report entail is merely information - not propaganda, then equal amounts should be funded (or derived between) ~~to~~ a non profit group to disseminate information and <sup>fact</sup> speculation about the negative aspects of exploration and drilling <sup>for</sup> oil or gas in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

Be honest, if we are talking about propaganda the oil companies can well afford to pay for their own out of the profits they make. They do this profusely in full page ads in our news media at no cost to the public. Environmental non profit groups disseminate their own views from voluntary private funds - from much thinner coffers. It is not our elected representatives mandate to use public funds to promote private corporate profits - even if they contribute to your re-election. (over)

SIGNED:

Vergence (Gunny) H. Wood

Testifier

Myself (I have a lot of experience with life)

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(Cont from other sides)

If you cant be fair about funding both sides of an issue then dont make the excuse to cut funding for schools, police, fire fighters, Road maintenance, Camp grounds maintenance and other public services be "the state cant afford to." OY Say No To Sec 2, HB 117

Thank you for your attention,  
Genny Hildebrand.

**HB117 sec 4 B&C**

When I read this bill it leads me to believe that this is unused Federal money from fiscal year 2000-2001. But when I did a little research on section 131, chapter 139, page 48, line 24, to 30. It appears that this money was appropriated in 1998 for a boat wake erosion study, and a study of traffic on the Kenai River including volume, time and location, and operation of vessels and interviews with anglers.

Which the Governor vetoed the study, but left the money in the budget.

I feel this money should be used for the tagging study mandated by the Board of Fish for Cook Inlet salmon stocks, or for its original intent. It should not be used for the Board of Fish.

It would also be very interesting to hear the reasons why the Governor does not want this study done.

*Chris Garcia*

**FAX MEMO**

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**DATE: February 27, 2001**

**TO: Senator Pete Kelly and Senate Finance members  
(Please distribute to each member)**

**RE: HB 117 - \$1.5 million for Arctic Power**

**Dear Senator Kelly and members of the Senate Finance:**

**Please delete the \$1.5 million in funding for Arctic Power, a special interest group whose sole purpose is to lobby for the oil industry in their efforts to open the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil development.**

**The oil industry has plenty of private funds to pay for Arctic Power's services. It is highly inappropriate, and corrupt, for the State of Alaska to earmark \$1.5 million for a special interest lobbying group, particularly when you consider that the interests served represent the largest and richest corporate giant of the world. Many non-profits are in much greater need of funds, and they serve the public interest in a much broader realm, whether it be programs for children at risk, alcohol and drug rehabilitation, and for our youth and elderly.**

**\$1.5 million could also be used to fund 30-40 teaching positions, and as you are aware, our educational system has suffered recent cuts over the years**

**As I understand it, Arctic Power still has nearly \$500,000 in their account of unspent funds. I'm in disbelief that the legislature would consider funding this group. Many Alaskans, like myself, are opposed to oil development in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. The state has millions of acres set aside for current and future oil and gas development — we have no business invading one of the most extraordinary wildlife refuges in America, when we have many other alternatives for development.**

**Please act responsibly and do what is right. Reject Arctic Power's funding request, and let the oil companies fund their own lobbyists.**

*Sincerely,  
Debbie S. Miller*



# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Finance  
Committee Name  
 Committee on HB 117 Dated 02-16-01  
Bill / Subject

① Industry and lobbyists have a strong and productive history of working together on issues of mutual interest. I see no reason to provide public funds to Arctic Power, when industry can well fund Arctic Power on its own.

② It should be noted that the State Government represents all Alaskans. It has no life of its own. Therefore, should the state wish to provide money to Arctic Power to lobby for oil development, it would only be appropriate to provide equivalent funds to Alaska organizations lobbying against oil development.

Kindly do not approve payment of any funds to Arctic Power

SIGNED: Arthur W. Hussey Arthur Hussey  
Testifier

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Finance Committee  
 Committee on CS for House Bill 117 (FIN) Dated 2-27-01  
Committee Name  
Bill / Subject

Mr. Chairman -

I am submitting this written testimony because I was unable to stay past 11am at the Fairbanks LIO, due to my class schedule. I would like to address the propose \$1.5 million appropriation from the General Fund to Arctic Power. I do not believe the state should be funding this organization - especially with such a large amount of money. There are other much more worthy causes/programs that deserve more funding such as the U of A Museum Expansion and the University of Alaska - Fairbanks in general. Arctic Power is basically just an oil industry lobbying group with members from (and funding from) BP & Phillips. The public should be made aware of how Arctic Power has spent their appropriations in the past. Regardless of the details of their spending, it would seem to me that the state of AK is simply funding oil industry lobbying. This money could be better spent, as I said above, on funding for UAF programs and the U of A museum - all things that will improve our state - rather than spending it on 1st class plane tickets for Arctic Power members. Arctic Power is not working to improve our state, but rather to exploit it - and to exploit it for the benefit of big oil. So - I do not endorse this appropriation & feel that it should be dropped from the bill. Thank-you.

SIGNED: Julie Raymond-Yakobian  
 Testifier

myself  
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# Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate Finance committee name

Committee on Senate 73 dated 2/27/01  
bill # / subject this pertains to HB 117

I am appalled at the fact that a member or members of the Board of Fish would make a back door attempt to strip the Department of F & G of much needed funding. For me this just shows their disregard for the resource, it shows they are only interested in completing their own agenda whatever it may be. How could anyone who would want the resource protected and managed to its fullest potential strip the ~~the~~ Department assigned to do this of desperately needed funding to accomplish their task. Please don't allow this to happen strike this from HB 117 SEC 4 B & C. This money could be used for the mandated logging study for CI stocks or for its original intent which the Governor retained <sup>the</sup> use but not the funding.

Signed: John Gunn  
Testifier

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# Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate Finance Com.  
 committee name  
 committee on Senate Bill 73, dated 2-27-01  
 bill # / subject

I oppose the Dept. of Fish Games' request that appears in HB 117 supplemental appropriation for \$55,000 to be taken from the Kenai River area Plan studies. The Local Dept. of Fish and Game needs that money to do stock studies in Cook Inlet in order for the Dept. to provide a required pink and Chum salmon management plan that has to be in effect before fishermen are allowed to fish these stocks. Over 20,000,000 pinks went unharvested in 2000 in Cook Inlet because there was no pink salmon plan.

Signed: Steve Vanek  
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Signed: Steve Vaneh

Testifier

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# Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Senate Finance  
committee name

Committee on Senate 73 dated 2/27/01  
bill # / subject When pertains to HB 117

I am appalled in the fact that a member or members of the Board of Fish would make a back door attempt to strip the Department of F & G of much needed funding. For me this just shows their disregard for the resource, it shows they are only interested in completing their own agenda whatever it may be. How could anyone who would want the resource protected and managed to its fullest potential strip the ~~the~~ Department assigned to do this of desperately needed funding to accomplish this task. Please don't allow this to happen strike this from HB 117 SEC 4 B & C. This money could be used for the mandated logging study for CI stocks or for its original intent which the Governor stated ~~is~~<sup>is</sup> the use but not the funding.

Signed: Alex Gussis  
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Date: 3/1/01

Please accept the enclosed original(s) of written testimony for the SFIN  
teleconferenced hearing that was scheduled on 2/22/01

A copy of this testimony was transmitted to your committee via fax on 3/1/01

Thank you.

Fairbanks LIO



# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Finance Committee

Committee Name

Committee on CS for House Bill H 117 Sec 2 Dated 2/29/01

Bill / Subject

I strongly object to appropriating \$150,000 from the general fund for payment as a grant to Arctic Power "for educational efforts to open the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge for oil and gas exploration and ~~gas~~ development. Did this go through the customary grant application procedure?

I feel this is inappropriate, unfair and misleading use of public money to further the special interests and financial gain of special commercial interests, mainly multi-national oil corporations; not for the dissemination of factual information and opinions on a very controversial public concern nation wide.

If your intent is to disseminate information - not propaganda, then equal amounts should be funded (or derived (whatever)) ~~to~~ a non profit group to disseminate information and speculation about the negative aspects of exploration and drilling <sup>for</sup> oil or gas in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

Behaviors, if we are talking about propaganda the oil companies can well afford to pay for their own out of the profits they make. They do this profusely in full page ads in our news media at no cost to the public. Environmental non profit groups disseminate their own view points from voluntary private funds - from much thinner coffers.

It is not our elected representatives mandate to use public funds to promote private corporate profits - even if they contribute to yours for elections. (over)

SIGNED:

Virginia (Ginger) Ho. Wood  
Testifier

Myself (and a lot of special wild life)  
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If you cant be fair about funding both sides of an issue then dont make the excuse to cut funding for schools, police, fire fighters, Road maintenance, Camp grounds maintenance and other public services be "the state cant afford to." OY Say no To Sec 2, HB 117

Thank you for your attention.

Benny Hule wood.



# Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the \_\_\_\_\_ FINANCE \_\_\_\_\_  
committee name

Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ HB117 \_\_\_\_\_, dated \_\_\_\_\_ 3/1/01 \_\_\_\_\_  
bill # / subject

*Please include the following as  
written testimony*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Kevin HO \_\_\_\_\_  
Testifier

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**HB117 sec 4 B&C**

When I read this bill it leads me to believe that this is unused Federal money from fiscal year 2000-2001. But when I did a little research on section 131, chapter 139, page 48, line 24, to 30. It appears that this money was appropriated in 1998 for a boat wake erosion study, and a study of traffic on the Kenai River including volume, time and location, and operation of vessels and interviews with anglers.

Which the Governor vetoed the study, but left the money in the budget.

I feel this money should be used for the tagging study mandated by the Board of Fish for Cook Inlet salmon stocks, or for its original intent. It should not be used for the Board of Fish.

It would also be very interesting to hear the reasons why the Governor does not want this study done.

*Chris Garrison*

March 12,2001

Alaska State Legislature

Members Of The: Senate Finance Committee

Honorable Senators;

Please review this resolution and submit this into the record. I believe that the community as a whole supports the "Best Available Technology" concept for Kenai River management. The Kenai River is our "artery" to the Kenai Peninsula and we therefore are extremely sensitive to potential damage that may occur without adequate stewardship.

Submitted By:

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## Resolution: Kenai-Soldotna , State of Alaska, Fish and Game Advisory Committee

Adopted 3-7-2001 (unanimous vote)

Whereas: the Kenai-Soldotna Advisory Committee (K-S AC) is authorized in state statute to provide a forum for local participation of a variety of local stakeholders; and

Whereas: Kenai River resource users continually express their interest in becoming educated in order to develop positions on Fish and Game management issues effecting local users and resource managers; and

Whereas: the K-S AC has consistently supported the collection of objective information related to the impact of users and resource management decisions effecting all users of the Kenai River; and

Whereas: the Kenai River Special Management Area (KRSMA) Plan has gone through considerable review and revisions over a 6 year period by the public, Kenai River area shareholders, and area resource managers; and

Whereas: as an essential part of the KRSMA Board is implementation of the KRSMA area plan, the Alaska State Legislature provided funding for the Kenai River Recreation Impact Study to be conducted in the spring/summer 2001; and

Whereas: the K-S AC continues to support KRSMA's effort at pursuing this study in order to develop data based management solutions that will benefit all users; and

Whereas: the K-S AC has been advised that CSHB 117 has eliminated the critical funding necessary to complete the Kenai River Recreational Impact Study not with standing the long standing support of the KRSMA board, by Governor Knowles, the Legislature, Kenai River stakeholders and local resource managers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the K-S AC request that the Legislature re-instate the full funding of the Kenai River Recreational Impact Study in the ADF&G budget as originally proposed in Sec. 131, ch. 139, SLA 1998, page 48, Lines 24-30; and

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER: that the Legislature and the Governor stand by their long stated commitments to ensuring adequate funding for study's and research of in river impacts to ensure the long term health of the Kenai River.

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

SIGN-IN

HB 117-SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS: FAST TRACK

NAME: LARRY PERSILY Subject/Bill No: HB 117 - Tax Division  
Co./Dept./Title: Revenue - DEPUTY COMMISSIONER Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Do you wish to testify?  Yes  No  Respond To Questions

NAME: DAN SPENCER Subject/Bill No: HB 117 Sec 1  
Co./Dept./Title: DEPT OF ADMINISTRATION Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Do you wish to testify?  Yes  No  Respond To Questions

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Do you wish to testify?  Yes  No  Respond To Questions

**SITE: Kenai LIO**

**COMMITTEE:**  
Senate Finance

**DATE:** 3-12-01

**SUBJECT OF MEETING:**

HB 117 Approp: Fast Track

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HB 117-SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS: FAST TRACK

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NAME: DAN COFFEY Subject/Bill No: HB 117

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Do you wish to testify?  Yes  No  Respond To Questions



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