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 Dept. Affected: Health & Social Services
 BRU Public Assistance
 Component Adult Public Assistance

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Title ELIMINATE LONGEVITY BONUS

Sponsor SENATE (RLS) BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

Requester _____

Component No. 222

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims	210.0	195.3	181.4	168.8	157.1	146.2
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	210.0	195.3	181.4	168.8	157.1	146.2

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

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	210.0	195.3	181.4	168.8	157.1	146.2
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other(Specify Type-do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	210.0	195.3	181.4	168.8	157.1	146.2

Estimate of any current year (FY2003) cost: _____
 Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2004 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Adult Public Assistance (APA) serves low-income seniors age 65+. Phasing out of the Alaska Longevity Bonus (ALB) may cause some seniors who are not currently receiving APA to seek help from the program because their income has dropped below what they need to make ends meet. Economic data on the monthly income of seniors receiving the ALB does not exist. However, using data from the 2000 McDowell report "Issues Affecting the Economic Well-Being of Seniors," we estimate approximately 500 seniors may apply and be found eligible for APA. We assume that these new eligibles would have income closer to the maximum need standard and receive an average monthly benefit of \$35.

(Analysis continued on page 2)

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 Agency Department of Health and Social Services

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STATE OF ALASKA
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BILL NO. CSSB 117(FIN)

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION
Assumptions

Using data found in the McDowell report "Issues Affecting the Economic Well-Being of Seniors," we estimate that approximately 500 low-income ALB recipients will apply for APA when they begin to lose a portion of ALB income.

The average APA benefit will be \$35/mo.

Due to death and out migration, 7% of these new eligibles will leave the caseload each year.

These new eligibles will remain on the APA caseload after the final phase out of the ALB

Calculations

FY 04: 500 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$210.0

FY 05: 465 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$195.3

FY 06: 432 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$181.4

FY 07: 402 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$168.8

FY 08: 374 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$157.1

FY 09: 348 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$146.2

A M E N D M E N T

OFFERED IN THE HOUSE
TO: CSSB 117(FIN)

BY REPRESENTATIVE STOLTZE

1 Page 1, line 3, through page 3, line 23:

2 Delete all material and insert:

3 **** Section 1.** AS 47.45 is amended by adding a new section to read:

4 Sec. 47.45.015. Maximum income and assets for eligibility to receive
5 longevity bonus. (a) In addition to the qualifications set out in AS 47.45.010 and
6 other provisions of this chapter, eligibility for a bonus is restricted to individuals who
7 meet the following income qualifications:

8 (1) monthly income does not exceed \$1,635 for an individual; or

9 (2) monthly income does not exceed \$2,208 for a couple.

10 (b) A recipient must report any change in financial status on the monthly
11 application submitted under AS 47.45.020. At least once a year, the department shall
12 review the recipient's financial status to verify eligibility for bonuses under this
13 section.

14 (c) A period of ineligibility to receive bonuses under this section does not
15 permanently disqualify the individual from receiving bonuses.

16 *** Sec. 2.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
17 read:

18 **APPLICABILITY.** This Act applies to the eligibility determinations for longevity
19 bonuses paid on or after July 1, 2003.

20 *** Sec. 3.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
21 read:

22 **TRANSITION: REGULATIONS.** Notwithstanding sec. 5 of this Act, the
23 commissioner of administration may proceed to adopt regulations necessary to implement the

1 provisions of this Act. The regulations take effect under AS 47.45.100, but not before the
2 effective date of secs. 1 and 2 of this Act. The regulations may be retroactive to the effective
3 date of secs. 1 and 2 of this Act.

4 * Sec. 4. Section 3 of this Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

5 * Sec. 5. Sections 1 and 2 of this Act take effect July 1, 2003."

My name is Marie Darlin and I am the Capital City Task Force Coordinator for AARP in Alaska. You have a copy of my previous detailed testimony on the Longevity Bonus and you have letters from the AARP Office in opposition to legislation repealing the bonus program.

I wish to speak on the importance of the Longevity Bonus for our seniors and want to reiterate a few facts for your consideration.

The main purpose of the bonus was to keep our seniors in Alaska.

1994 phase-out legislation made a promise to seniors - no more changes!

12,000 of the 18,000 recipients are over age 75 that receive \$250. Costs decrease at 3 million or more each year.

The economic impact on the state from seniors is well over 1 billion per year - most of it spent here.

Every dollar spent turns over at least twice. Therefore, the 47.5 million the Governor's bill saves takes 95 million out of the economy.

Seniors provide volunteer hours worth approximately 60 million per year and they give at least 20 hours per month of caregiver services totaling an equivalent of 6300 full time jobs.

In 1999 6,000 seniors lived on less than \$1,000 per month (poverty level) and the bonus provided 10% of the income for single seniors.

The longevity bonus allows our seniors to remain independent contributing members of our communities and is much less expensive than caring for them with the Governor's safety nets.

PLEASE LEAVE THE LONGEVITY BONUS IN THE BUDGET!


Marie Darlin - AARP

House Finance Committee Vote Sheet

DATE:

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SUBJECT:

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MEMBER

YES

NO

STOLTZE	✓	
WHITAKER	✓	
CHENAULT		
GROFT <i>Berkowitz</i>		✓
FOSTER		✓
HAWKER	✓	
JOULE <i>Kurtula</i>		✓
MEYER	✓	
MOSES		✓
WILLIAMS	✓	
HARRIS	✓	
TOTAL:		

PASSED: _____

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FAILED: _____

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March 5, 2003

The Honorable Gene Therriault
President of the Senate
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 107
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear President Therriault:

Under the authority of art. III, sec 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill that would eliminate the Alaska Longevity Bonus Program.

In 1972 Alaska initiated a program to reward our long-term residents (seniors) for their contributions and provide them with an incentive to remain in Alaska for their retirement years. It was originally intended to help those Alaskans who had been residents for 25 years and as stated in its original passage, was intended for those seniors who had "molded Alaska as we know it through skillful application of their talents."

Since that time, the Courts ruled that the 25 year residency requirement was unconstitutional. The new program instituted was expanded to all seniors residing in the state for one year. By 1993, the cost to the state was up to \$65 million a year. The legislature, recognizing that the cost would continue to escalate with the rapid growth of Alaska's senior population, implemented a phase out of the program.

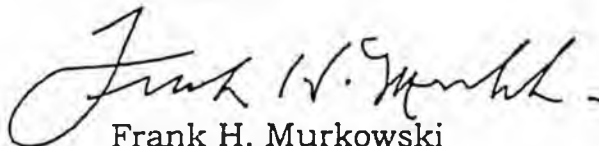
The judiciary eliminated the longevity program for Alaska's pioneers. The bill I transmit today ends its successor, eliminating a program that has outlived its original purpose and no longer offers special consideration to those pioneers so deserving of our thanks.

The Honorable Gene Therriault
March 5, 2003
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Alaska will continue to provide assistance and "safety net" programs for senior citizens. Some are directed toward all seniors such as an exemption from Hunting and fishing fees, the senior citizen property tax exemption and Pioneers' Homes. Many are targeted at seniors with limited means, including, adult public assistance, Medicaid assistance, personal care attendant services, nursing home services, home and community based waiver services, senior housing assistance, nutrition programs, and senior training and employment programs.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Frank H. Murkowski".

Frank H. Murkowski
Governor

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March 14, 2003

History and Legislative Action

The Alaska Longevity Bonus Program was created in 1972. The intent of the program was to provide incentive for older Alaskans to continue uninterrupted residency in Alaska, acknowledge the economic hardships of living out retirement years in the state, and acknowledge the contributions these people made while Alaska was a territory.

The original statutory eligibility requirements were:

Sec. 47.45.010. PERSONS WHO MAY QUALIFY FOR LONGEVITY BONUS. (a) A person who is 65 years of age or over, who was domiciled in the territory on or before January 3, 1959 and who has maintained a continuous residence domicile in the territory or state for 25 years may apply to the commissioner of administration for qualification to receive a monthly bonus of \$100.

By legislative action, the bonus amount was raised to \$125 in 1977, \$150 in 1979, \$200 in 1981 and \$250 in 1982.

The age and 25 year residency eligibility continued until a 1984 Superior Court opinion in the case of Schafer v. Vest (630 P.2d 1169 Alaska 1984) found the residency provision to be unconstitutional. As a result, the Legislature amended the statutes governing the program so that any person who was age 65 or older and an Alaskan resident for one year was eligible for the program.

In 1990, a hold-harmless ruling allowed bonus recipient: to receive monthly checks without affecting public assistance eligibility. Also that year, legislation was enacted doubling the residency requirement to two years.

In June of 1991 the Superior Court ruled against the two-year residency requirement and eligibility reverts to one-year residency. The bonus amount continued to be \$250 per person, per month.

At the end of 1992 there were 21,645 recipients in the bonus program at a cost to the state of \$63 million.

In 1993 legislation was passed "phasing out" the longevity bonus program over the next three years. New applicants in 1994 received \$200 per month; 1995

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applicants received \$150/mo; and 1996 applicants received \$100/mo. No new applicants were accepted into the program after December 31, 1996.

In July, 2002, legislation was enacted to allow recipients to be absent from the state for 60 days without loss of a bonus payment. Prior to this, the allowed absence without loss of a bonus payment was 30 days.

Monthly Operations

The longevity bonus check document is a three-part sheet. The top section is the check itself. The second section is an information area and lists Alaska Longevity Program numbers to call for answers concerning the check. Each February, the second section becomes the recipient's Federal 1099 form for income tax purposes. The lower portion of the page is an eligibility "validation stub" that must be completed, signed and mailed or faxed to the longevity bonus program office for the recipient to be eligible for the next month's check. Eligibility validation stubs are received and processed in the office throughout the month. At month end, a computer system compiles all the validation information and generates an interface with the state accounting system to print the checks.

Longevity bonus checks are issued on a two month "lag" period; that is, a check is issued based on a person's eligibility two months earlier. For example, the check a recipient receives in December is actually payment for October.

Longevity Bonus Grants Authorized Budget Summary (In \$1,000's)

	(Authorized) <u>FY 2003</u>	<u>FY 2002</u>	<u>FY 2001</u>	<u>FY 2000</u>	<u>FY 1999</u>	<u>FY 1998</u>	<u>FY 1997</u>	<u>FY 1996</u>	<u>FY 1995</u>	<u>FY 1994</u>	<u>FY 1993</u>
Original Authorization	\$47,519.3	\$51,158.6	\$53,558.6	\$55,302.1	\$63,499.4	\$70,593.6	\$74,062.6	\$72,152.6	\$73,409.9	\$69,084.2	\$64,898.7
Supplemental			1,300.0	3,839.7	100.0	(2,177.3)	(1,341.0)	1,600.0	(700.0)	1,694.9	1,980.7
Final Authorized		51,158.6	54,858.6	59,141.8	63,599.4	68,416.3	72,721.6	73,752.6	72,709.9	70,779.1	66,879.4
Actual Expenditures		50,958.0	54,829.9	59,125.5	\$63,528.6	68,031.9	71,950.8	73,270.1	72,709.5	70,414.1	66,607.5
Difference		\$200.6	\$28.7	\$16.3	\$70.8	\$384.4	\$770.8	\$482.5	\$0.4	\$365.0	\$271.9

Alaska Longevity Bonus Statistical Summary

Most Recent Month January 2003		
Sex of Active Participants:	Male	45%
	Female	55%
Active Participants Receiving Warrant:		17,340
Total Warrants Issued:		17,531
Total Cost of Warrants Issued:		\$3,846,600

Includes past warrants due to some participants.

Budget		
	FY 2001	FY 2002
Authorized	\$54,858,600	\$51,158,600
Cost	54,829,900	50,958,000
Difference	\$28,700	\$200,600

History			
Fiscal Year	Total Cost	Bonus Amount	# Recipients (FY end)
1973	\$2,532,300	\$100	4,753
1974	6,009,700	100	5,250
1975	6,255,300	100	5,463
1976	6,533,400	100	5,553
1977	8,666,900	125	6,228
1978	9,444,200	125	6,671
1979	12,195,500	150	7,207
1980	13,226,500	150	7,897
1981	19,420,600	200	8,527
1982	26,198,750	250	9,101
1983	27,504,500	250	9,731
1984	29,155,750	250	10,769
1985	43,096,750	250	15,135
1986	44,024,250	250	15,763
1987	46,943,250	250	16,834
1988	49,994,000	250	17,675
1989	53,348,500	250	18,439
1990	57,172,700	250	19,490
1991	60,069,500	250	20,298
1992	63,073,750	250	21,645
1993	66,607,500	250	22,741
1994	70,414,100	See (5)	23,850
1995	72,709,500	See (5)	24,959
1996	73,270,100	See (5)	26,083
1997	71,950,800	See (5)	26,427
1998	68,031,900	See (5)	24,610
1999	63,528,600	See (5)	23,039
2000	59,125,450	See (5)	21,467
2001	54,829,900	See (5)	20,238
2002	50,957,990	See (5)	18,741

See (1)

See (2)

See (3)

See (4)

Projections		
Fiscal Year	Total Cost	Average # Monthly Recipients
2003	47,981,000	17,954
2004	44,777,917	17,252
2005	41,543,333	16,081
2006	38,344,167	14,917
2007	35,203,333	13,766
2008	32,130,417	12,631
2009	29,080,833	11,468
2010	26,115,000	10,324
2011	23,361,667	9,304
2012	20,743,333	8,322
2013	18,250,000	7,376
2014	15,914,583	6,484
2015	13,740,417	5,654
2016	11,734,167	4,883
2017	9,901,250	4,165
2018	8,251,250	3,510
2019	6,768,750	2,917
2020	5,457,083	2,390
2021	4,326,667	1,931
2022	3,342,917	1,524
2023	2,510,833	1,166
2024	1,832,917	876
2025	1,282,083	638
2026	848,750	447
2027	525,833	298
2028	288,333	176
2029	116,250	81
2030	36,250	28
2031	5,833	5

See (6)

See (7)

Note (1) 25 year residency requirement

Note (2) 1 year residency requirement, 5/1

Note (3) 2 year residency requirement, 1/1

Note (4) 1 year residency requirement, 6/1

Note (5) The Longevity Bonus Program is being phased out. New applicants in: 1994 received \$200 per month; 1995 received \$150 per month and 1996 received \$100 per month. No recipients were added to the program after December 31, 1996. All people on the program prior to 1997 continue to receive their monthly bonus as long as they maintain their eligibility.

Note (6) Based on actual expenditures through February 28, 2003.

Note (7) Low projections as of October 9, 2002 forecast run.

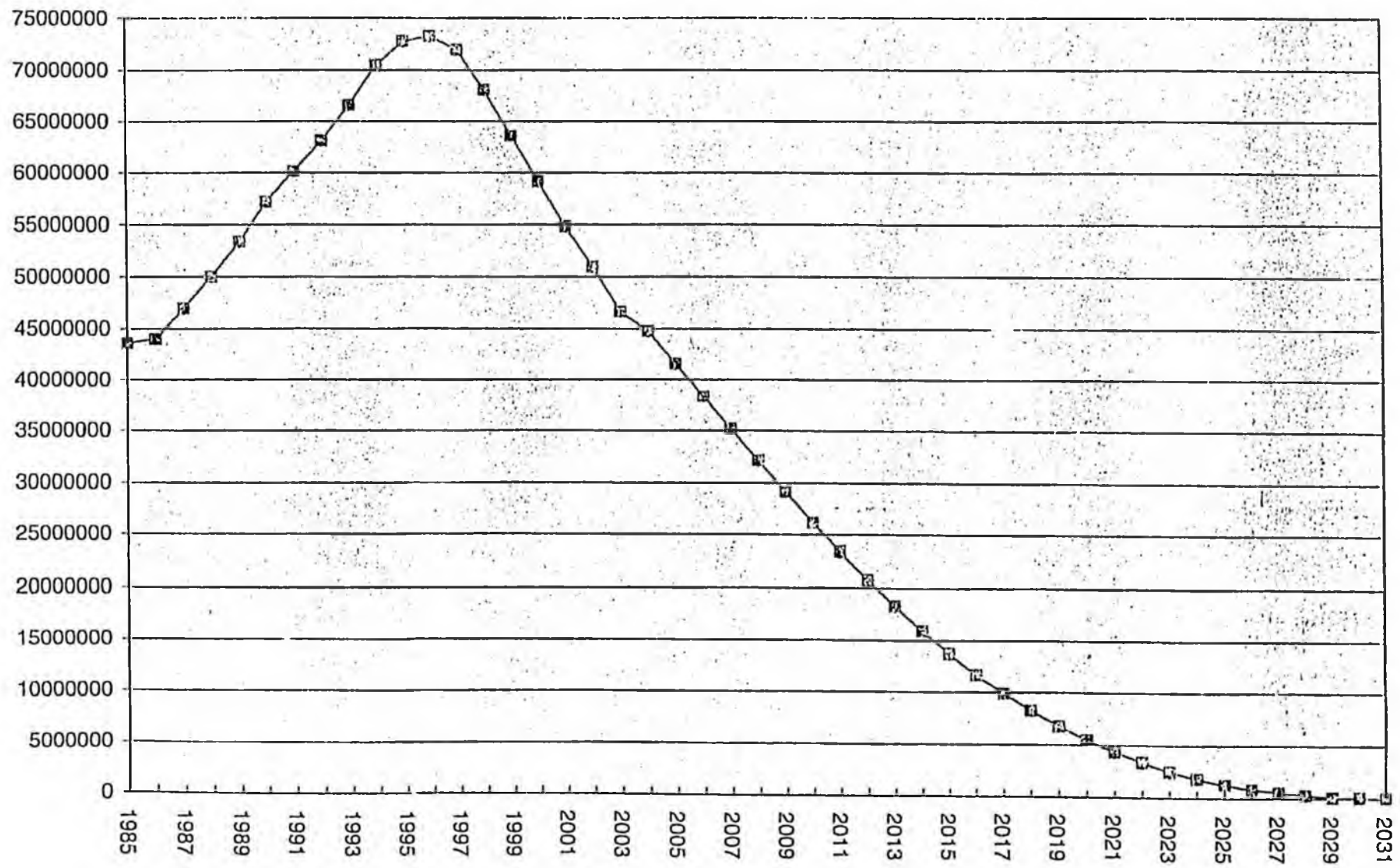
Note (8) Based on the average low payment estimate per the McDowell Group forecast model.

Longevity Bonus Program Projections
As of October 9, 2002

Fiscal Year	\$250 / month		\$200 / month		\$150 / month		\$100 / month		Combined Totals	
	Average No. Monthly Participants	Cost (In 1,000's)	Average No. Monthly Participants	Cost (In 1,000's)	Average No. Monthly Participants	Cost (In 1,000's)	Average No. Monthly Participants	Cost (In 1,000's)	Average No. Monthly Participants	Cost (In 1,000's)
2004	11,646	34,936.6	1,681	4,033.3	1,827	3,288.7	2,099	2,518.3	17,252	44,776.8
2005	10,702	32,107.4	1,607	3,856.6	1,756	3,160.0	2,015	2,418.3	16,080	41,542.3
2006	9,783	29,349.1	1,520	3,648.3	1,644	3,027.5	1,932	2,318.3	14,879	38,343.1
2007	8,893	26,680.4	1,432	3,436.6	1,595	2,871.2	1,845	2,214.1	13,766	35,202.3
2008	8,029	24,086.7	1,349	3,236.6	1,503	2,706.2	1,750	2,100.0	12,631	32,129.4
2009	7,193	21,578.4	1,269	3,044.9	1,415	2,547.5	1,591	1,909.1	11,468	29,079.8
2010	6,390	19,170.1	1,187	2,848.3	1,332	2,397.5	1,415	1,698.3	10,324	26,114.1
2011	5,631	16,893.0	1,095	2,628.3	1,245	2,241.2	1,332	1,598.3	9,303	23,360.8
2012	4,923	14,770.2	1,003	2,408.3	1,150	2,069.9	1,245	1,494.1	8,322	20,742.5
2013	4,157	12,792.7	915	2,196.6	1,050	1,889.9	1,150	1,380.0	7,272	18,249.2
2014	3,645	10,934.8	832	1,996.6	957	1,722.5	1,015	1,260.0	6,449	15,913.8
2015	3,074	9,222.4	749	1,796.6	874	1,572.5	957	1,148.3	5,653	13,739.7
2016	2,560	7,680.8	662	1,588.3	787	1,416.2	874	1,048.3	4,882	11,733.5
2017	2,110	6,328.8	574	1,376.6	695	1,251.2	787	944.1	4,165	9,900.7
2018	1,710	5,130.9	497	1,193.3	607	1,092.5	695	834.1	3,510	8,250.7
2019	1,353	4,058.0	431	1,033.3	527	948.7	607	728.3	2,917	6,768.3
2020	1,044	3,131.0	364	873.3	456	820.0	527	632.5	2,390	5,456.7
2021	786	2,358.1	301	721.6	389	700.0	456	546.6	1,931	4,326.3
2022	574	1,720.7	242	581.6	319	573.7	389	466.6	1,523	3,342.6
2023	404	1,212.4	191	458.3	254	457.5	319	382.5	1,168	2,510.6
2024	265	793.6	153	366.6	204	367.5	254	305.0	876	1,832.7
2025	153	460.3	119	286.6	161	290.0	204	245.0	638	1,281.9
2026	76	227.0	83	198.3	128	230.0	161	193.3	447	848.6
2027	31	93.7	48	115.0	91	163.7	128	153.3	298	525.8
2028	10	29.2	23	55.0	53	95.0	91	109.2	176	288.3
2029	0	0.0	5	11.7	23	41.2	53	63.3	81	116.2
2030	0	0.0	0	0.0	5	8.7	23	27.5	28	36.2
2031	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	5	5.8	5	5.8

Notes: Participants are any person who has applied for and is eligible to receive the Longevity Bonus.
Based on the low projections per the October 9, 2002 forecast run.

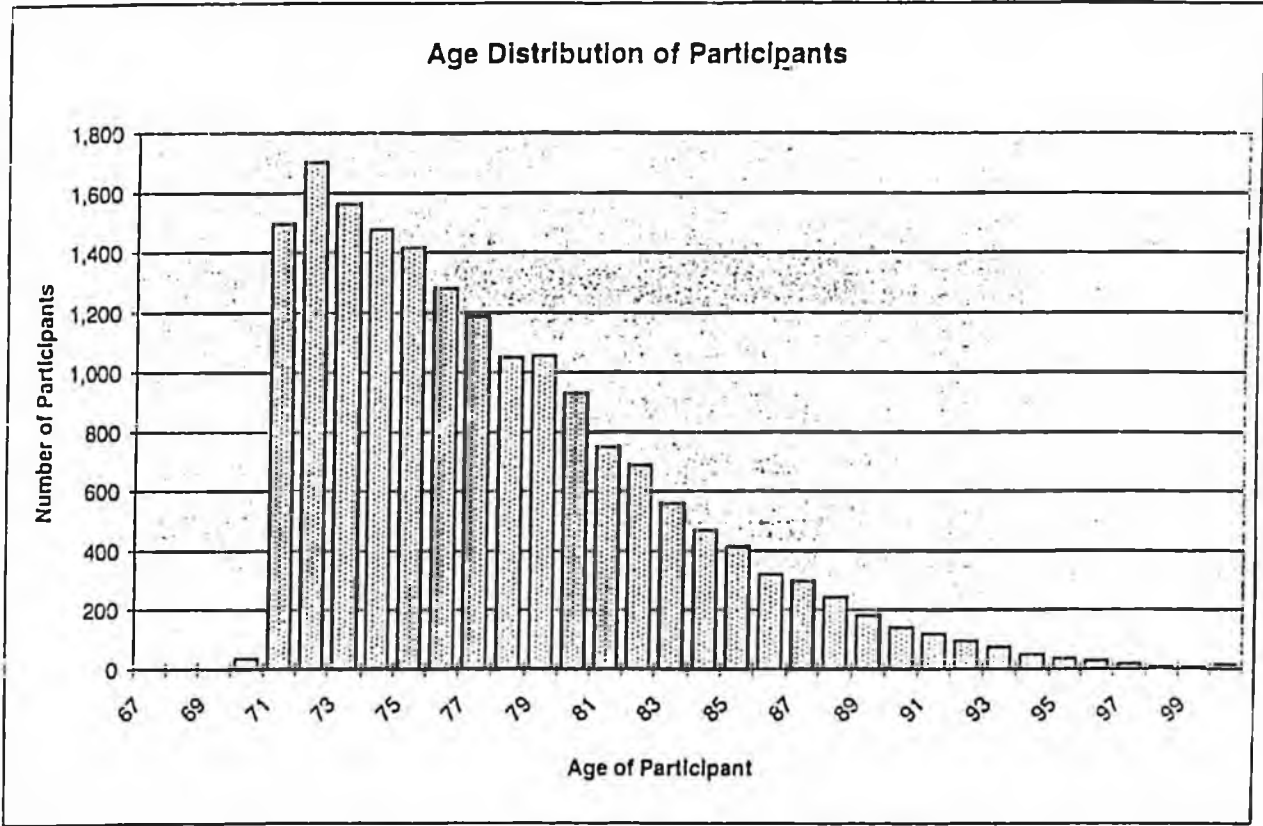
Longevity Bonus Program Phase-out (amounts from FY1985 - FY2002 are actual expenditures; amounts from FY 2003 are the forecasted low estimates)



**Age Distribution of Longevity Bonus Participants
As of December 2002**

Age	Bonus Amount				Total
	\$250	\$200	\$150	\$100	
67	1	0	0	0	1
68	1	0	0	0	1
69	0	0	0	0	0
70	0	1	1	33	35
71	0	0	39	1,455	1,494
72	0	48	1,565	89	1,702
73	45	1,397	86	32	1,560
74	1,324	94	38	20	1,476
75	1,327	37	26	25	1,415
76	1,226	32	14	7	1,279
77	1,132	24	16	14	1,186
78	1,012	14	9	15	1,050
79	1,017	13	15	10	1,055
80	894	12	13	9	928
81	718	8	12	10	748
82	656	14	11	7	688
83	538	8	2	10	558
84	448	5	9	7	469
85	399	6	2	7	414
86	306	6	2	6	320
87	289	1	2	5	297
88	234	3	4	3	244
89	175	1	3	1	180
90	132	6	2	1	141
91	112	1	3	2	118
92	91	2	0	1	94
93	70	0	2	1	73
94	48	0	1	0	49
95	33	1	1	0	35
96	29	0	0	1	30
97	15	0	1	1	17
98	8	0	0	0	8
99	8	0	1	0	9
100 & over	14	1	0	0	15
Total	12,302	1,735	1,880	1,772	17,689

Age Distribution of Participants



**Longevity Bonus Program
Age of Participants
As of December 2002**

Age	Number of Participants	Percent	% This Age or Older	% Younger	% Older
67	1	0.01%	100.00%		99.99%
68	1	0.01%	99.99%	0.01%	99.99%
69	0	0.00%	99.99%	0.01%	99.99%
70	35	0.20%	99.39%	0.01%	99.79%
71	1,494	8.45%	99.79%	0.21%	91.34%
72	1,702	9.62%	91.34%	8.66%	81.72%
73	1,560	8.82%	81.72%	18.28%	72.90%
74	1,476	8.34%	72.90%	27.10%	64.56%
75	1,415	8.00%	64.56%	35.44%	56.56%
76	1,279	7.23%	56.56%	43.44%	49.33%
77	1,186	6.70%	49.33%	50.67%	42.63%
78	1,050	5.94%	42.63%	57.37%	36.69%
79	1,055	5.96%	36.69%	63.31%	30.73%
80	928	5.25%	30.73%	69.27%	25.48%
81	748	4.23%	25.48%	74.52%	21.25%
82	688	3.89%	21.25%	78.75%	17.36%
83	558	3.15%	17.36%	82.64%	14.21%
84	469	2.65%	14.21%	85.79%	11.56%
85	414	2.34%	11.56%	88.44%	9.21%
86	320	1.81%	9.21%	90.79%	7.41%
87	297	1.68%	7.41%	92.59%	5.73%
88	244	1.38%	5.73%	94.27%	4.35%
89	180	1.02%	4.35%	95.65%	3.33%
90	141	0.80%	3.33%	96.67%	2.53%
91	118	0.67%	2.53%	97.47%	1.87%
92	94	0.53%	1.87%	98.13%	1.33%
93	73	0.41%	1.33%	98.67%	0.92%
94	49	0.28%	0.92%	99.08%	0.64%
95	35	0.20%	0.64%	99.53%	0.45%
96	30	0.17%	0.45%	99.55%	0.28%
97	17	0.10%	0.28%	99.72%	0.18%
98	8	0.05%	0.18%	99.82%	0.14%
99	9	0.05%	0.14%	99.86%	0.08%
100	15	0.08%	0.08%	99.92%	0.00%
Total	17,689	100.00%			

Average Age of Participant: 77.5
Median Age of Participant: 76

Longevity Bonus Participants by Zipcode
As of March 2003

Zip Code	Count	Zip Code	Count	Zip Code	Count	Zip Code	Count	Zip Code	Count	Zip Code	Count
77682	1	99563	18	99627	16	99678	35	99738	4	99788	6
98056	1	99564	2	99628	15	99679	11	99739	8	99789	11
98368	1	99565	3	99630	12	99680	9	99740	26	99791	4
99059	1	99566	7	99631	6	99681	15	99741	14	99795	1
99467	1	99567	187	99632	19	99682	8	99742	18	99801	605
99501	933	99568	19	99633	10	99683	16	99743	9	99802	154
99502	388	99569	4	99634	12	99684	35	99744	3	99803	91
99503	456	99571	2	99635	53	99685	17	99745	5	99811	1
99504	976	99572	43	99636	10	99686	52	99746	17	99820	18
99505	3	99573	53	99637	16	99687	436	99747	11	99821	52
99506	4	99574	72	99638	3	99688	86	99748	11	99824	82
99507	442	99575	6	99639	63	99689	17	99749	12	99825	1
99508	963	99576	69	99640	8	99690	10	99750	13	99826	3
99509	158	99577	321	99641	11	99691	5	99751	2	99827	133
99510	131	99578	8	99643	5	99692	2	99752	62	99829	33
99511	106	99579	1	99644	12	99693	8	99753	6	99830	32
99512	1	99580	6	99645	649	99694	13	99754	3	99832	10
99513	2	99581	18	99647	3	99695	2	99755	1	99833	154
99514	82	99583	2	99648	4	99697	1	99756	3	99835	362
99515	369	99585	10	99649	3	99700	1	99758	17	99836	1
99516	351	99586	30	99650	17	99701	665	99759	4	99840	30
99517	585	99587	14	99651	1	99702	2	99760	32	99841	8
99518	209	99588	44	99652	81	99705	200	99761	16	99901	518
99519	40	99589	6	99653	4	99706	51	99762	99	99903	2
99520	69	99590	6	99654	339	99707	241	99763	25	99907	1
99521	57	99591	5	99655	33	99708	122	99764	9	99917	1
99522	48	99598	1	99656	2	99709	376	99765	13	99918	5
99523	53	99599	2	99657	7	99710	39	99766	21	99919	7
99524	71	99602	10	99658	23	99711	26	99767	3	99921	38
99533	1	99603	324	99659	8	99712	122	99768	7	99922	11
99540	6	99604	35	99660	11	99714	22	99769	17	99923	3
99546	1	99605	12	99661	11	99716	9	99770	22	99924	1
99547	5	99606	11	99662	11	99720	11	99771	9	99925	17
99548	3	99607	6	99663	18	99721	8	99772	22	99926	58
99549	2	99609	18	99664	139	99722	2	99773	15	99927	5
99550	14	99610	70	99665	5	99723	80	99774	3	99928	38
99551	19	99611	372	99666	4	99724	4	99776	4	99929	136
99552	11	99612	11	99667	2	99725	12	99777	11	99946	1
99553	2	99613	13	99668	5	99726	4	99778	8	99950	13
99554	24	99614	18	99669	386	99727	6	99779	4		
99555	7	99615	253	99670	3	99729	8	99780	52		
99556	63	99620	13	99671	12	99730	4	99781	6		
99557	14	99621	27	99672	97	99732	1	99782	22		
99558	3	99622	15	99674	28	99733	2	99783	3		
99559	148	99624	6	99675	3	99734	1	99784	8		
99561	14	99625	6	99676	31	99736	4	99785	7		
99562	1	99628	8	99677	7	99737	122	99786	8	Total	17,546

Note: Active participants who are eligible to receive a Longevity Bonus payment if validation submitted timely.

Original legislation



LAWS OF ALASKA

1972

Source

Chapter No.

FCCS HCS CSSB 211

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AN ACT

Providing for an Alaska longevity bonus; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. AS 47 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

CHAPTER 45. ALASKA LONGEVITY BONUS.

Sec. 47.45.010. PERSONS WHO MAY QUALIFY FOR LONGEVITY BONUS. (a) A person who is 65 years of age or over, who was domiciled in the territory on or before January 3, 1959 and who has maintained a continuous domicile in the territory or state for 25 years may apply to the commissioner of administration for qualification for qualification to receive a monthly bonus of \$100.

(b) When the commissioner of administration determines that an applicant qualifies under this chapter he shall immediately begin payment of the bonus.

(c) A person who otherwise qualifies to receive a bonus provided for in this chapter may continue to do so only as long as he continuously retains a domicile in the state.

Sec. 47.45.020. CONTINUOUS ELIGIBILITY PROCEDURES. After qualification, monthly applications for bonuses may be made in person to any office of the Department of Administration. Mailed monthly applications shall also be considered by the Department of Administration. In-person or mailed applications shall be made on forms provided by the Department of Administration and shall conform to the conditions as provided by regulation. The commissioner may make exceptions to those residents who are

isolated in rural areas and cannot mail a monthly application; however, they shall mail an application at least once every six months.

Sec. 47.45.030. ABSENCE FROM THE STATE. A recipient shall notify the commissioner of administration when he expects to be absent from the state if the absence is for a continuous period that exceeds 30 days. After such notification, the recipient shall no longer receive bonuses from the Department of Administration after his last regularly approved monthly application. Upon his return to the state he may again make application for a bonus. Whenever the absence is for a continuous period that exceeds 100 days, the recipient shall be disqualified from receiving bonuses for the next 12 calendar months after his return to the state. However, when the commissioner of administration determines a period of absence is beyond the control of the recipient, he may not be disqualified, if he still otherwise qualifies upon his return to the state. Continual absences from the state, even though reported, and failure to notify the commissioner of an expected absence may be grounds for disqualification.

Sec. 47.45.040. DISQUALIFICATION. Disqualification under this chapter shall rest solely with the commissioner of administration and shall be outlined in the regulations promulgated under sec. 100(1) of this chapter.

Sec. 47.45.050. DEPARTMENT HEARING. The Department of Administration may hold a departmental hearing upon the request of any applicant or recipient who has been disqualified. Previous to this hearing the department shall by certified mail notify an applicant or recipient in plain and comprehensive language the exact reason for his disqualification. Form letters using only referral to state statutes or department regulations, or otherwise vague in detail, shall not be considered compliance by the department with this section.

Sec. 47.45.060. LEGAL REMEDY. Legal remedy from disqualification may be sought by an applicant or recipient in any court of competent jurisdiction in the state. The burden of proof shall rest solely upon the applicant or recipient and any costs related to a disqualification verdict determined against the applicant or recipient may be recoverable by the attorney general from that person, or from any agency representing that person supported in whole, or in part, with state appropriations.

Sec. 47.45.070. UNQUALIFIED PERSONS. An unqualified person is one who

(1) Does not meet the age or residence requirements as provided for under this chapter;

(2) meets the age and residence requirements of this chapter but is confined in a state or federal mental health institution or facility and is certified by the state as unable to manage his own affairs; however, if such a person was at the time of his commitment the principal support of a spouse, the commissioner of

administration may determine to pay the confined person's bonus to his spouse until the spouse is qualified for a bonus;

(3) is otherwise qualified but confined in a penal or correctional institution or facility; upon completion of sentence or upon the conferral of a pardon, parole or probation, the person may make application; confinement outside the state shall be considered as residence in the state if a person was convicted and sentenced from a court in Alaska; revocation of parole or probation shall be cause for immediate disqualification until release from confinement is again effected;

(4) leaves the state of his own volition and remains absent from the state for a continuous period of more than 100 days.

Sec. 47.45.080. ACCRUAL OF BONUSES. No recipient may, for any reason, receive an accrual of bonuses in excess of two monthly payments. No interest may be paid on accrued bonuses. Upon the death of a recipient the commissioner of administration shall pay to the beneficiary of the recipient any accrued bonuses not to exceed two monthly payments.

Sec. 47.45.090. ALASKA LONGEVITY BONUS FUND. (a) There is the Alaska longevity bonus fund created for the purpose of paying the monthly bonuses provided for in this chapter. The fund consists of all money made available by appropriations of the state legislature, and from other appropriated funds, all contributions from whatever source, and income and interest derived from the investment of money.

(b) The commissioner of administration is the administrator of the fund.

Sec. 47.45.100. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ADMINISTRATOR. The commissioner of administration shall

(1) promulgate regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter;

(2) make expenditures from the fund necessary to administer this chapter;

(3) establish and maintain an adequate system of accounts for the fund;

(4) publish annually a report showing the financial condition of the fund.

Sec. 47.45.110. CUSTODY OF FUNDS. The commissioner of revenue is the treasurer of the system and has powers and duties for this purpose including but not limited to the following:

(1) to act as official custodian of the cash and securities belonging to the fund;

(2) to receive all items of cash belonging to the fund.

Sec. 47.45.120. EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION AND PROCESS. Bonuses received under this chapter are exempt from all state and political subdivision taxes except sales and use taxes and are not subject to execution, attachment, garnishment or other process. No bonus received under this chapter may be exempt from a federal tax requirement.

Sec. 47.45.130. DEATH OR CESSATION OF RESIDENCY. The commissioner of administration shall establish procedures to stop a bonus when a recipient under this chapter no longer qualifies. When a recipient dies or discontinues his residency in the state his qualification for a bonus shall stop at the time of his last approved monthly application.

Sec. 47.45.140. PENALTY FOR FALSE STATEMENTS. A person who willfully or knowingly makes a false statement, or falsifies or permits to be falsified any record required by this chapter, is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, is punishable by a fine of not more than \$500, or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or by both, forfeits all rights under this chapter, and shall make adequate restitution for any bonuses illegally received.

Sec. 47.45.150. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter

(1) "bonus" means a monthly Alaska longevity bonus payment made to a person or his beneficiary who qualifies under this chapter;

(2) "domicile" means the place with which a person has a settled connection for determination of his civil status or other legal purposes because it is actually or legally his permanent and principal home.

Sec. 47.45.160. APPLICABILITY OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT. The Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62) does not apply to this chapter.

Sec. 47.45.170. PURPOSE. The sole purpose of this chapter is to offer and provide all law-abiding Alaskans capable of managing their own affairs who have maintained a domicile in the state for at least 25 years and have reached a retirement age of 65, an incentive to continue uninterrupted residency in the state. Under no circumstances shall this chapter be considered a form, type, or manner of public relief. Bonuses made under this chapter are not predicated on need even though they may appear to provide supplemental income to some qualified persons who would otherwise be forced to become responsibilities of the state. The legislature further finds and states that this legislation recognizes the economic hardships suffered by many elderly Alaskans, Alaskans who through their tenacity and perseverance molded Alaska as we know it through skillful application of their talents. These pioneers are the same Alaskans, who in the prime of their life were in effect treated as second-class citizens by the federal government, who paid much of their hard-earned income to a government in which they did not have the right to participate through the power of the ballot. The legislature also is aware of the fact that many of

these pioneers have been forced to live out their retirement years in areas far away from the land they loved and nurtured and thereby also suffering in many cases, the loss of familial relationship with their own kin, an experience that is sad and frustrating to them as well as depriving new generations of Alaskans the benefit of their wisdom and experience. This legislation hopefully will provide our pioneers with the economic means to remain in and continue to serve their state and to enjoy the opportunity of aiding the new Alaskan in making this state truly "The Great Land".

* Sec. 2. AS 01.10.030 does not apply to this Act. If any provision of this Act, or the application of a provision of this Act to any person or circumstance is held invalid, this entire Act shall be considered invalid.

* Sec. 3. This Act takes effect January 1, 1973.

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SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

REPORTED OUT
MAY 13 2003
SENATE FINANCE
COMMITTEE

DATE: 4/4/03

FURTHER:

DATE TURNED
IN TO OFFICE: 13 May 2003

Finance Committee considered

SENATE BILL NO. 117

SB 117 ELIMINATING LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM

"An Act eliminating the longevity bonus program and making related conforming changes; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends:

- be replaced with _____ CS SB 117 (FIN)
- adopt previous _____ CS as forth coming (_____)
- attached amendment(s)
- adopt Letter of Intent by _____ Committee
- further referral to _____ Committee

Senate Bill:

- same title
- new title

House Bill:

- same title
- technical title
- new: SCR # _____

NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Zero	FN#
<u>F/n forth coming</u>				

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Zero	FN#

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	DO PASS	DO NOT PASS	NO REC	AMEND
<u>Adrian L. Taylor</u>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<u>Thomas A. Kelly</u>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<u>Ben Stevens</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
COCHAIR:				
COCHAIR: <u>Compton</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSIONFiscal Note Number: 6
Bill Version: CSSB 117(FIN)
(S) Publish Date: 5/14/03
Dept. Affected: Health & Social Services
BRU Medical Assistance
Component Medicaid ServicesSENATE FINANCE
COMMITTEE

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction):

Title ELIMINATE LONGEVITY BONUSSponsor SENATE (RLS) BY REQUEST OF
THE GOVERNOR

Requester _____

Component No. 2077**Expenditures/Revenues**

(Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims	2,494.0	2,349.7	2,217.2	2,096.4	1,797.4	1,656.3
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	2,494.0	2,349.7	2,217.2	2,096.4	1,797.4	1,656.3
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
CHANGE IN REVENUES (0)						

FUND SOURCE

(Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts	1,587.6	1,478.2	1,375.9	1,280.6	1,192.4	1,107.8
1003 GF Match	906.4	871.5	841.3	815.8	605.0	548.5
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other(Specify Type-do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	2,494.0	2,349.7	2,217.2	2,096.4	1,797.4	1,656.3

Estimate of any current year (FY2003) cost: _____

Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2004 budget proposal: **POSITIONS**

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This bill phases out the Alaska Longevity Bonus Program. This phase-out may cause some seniors who are not currently receiving APA and Medicaid to seek help because their income has dropped below what they need to make ends meet. Seniors age 65+ who are eligible for APA payments are entitled to coverage under the Medicaid program.

The Division of Public Assistance estimates that approximately 500 seniors would apply and be found eligible for APA. The Division of Medical Assistance estimates that approximately 50 of those seniors are already receiving Medicaid under other categories, so 450 seniors would become newly eligible for Medicaid in FY 04.

Prepared by: Jon Sherwood
Division Medical Assistance
Approved by: Joel S. Gilbertson, Commissioner
Agency Department of Health and Social ServicesPhone 465-5820
Date/Time 05/14/2003
Date 05/14/2003

FISCAL NOTE
FN 6

STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CSSB 117(FIN)

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

The estimated cost of providing Medicaid services to these seniors is \$490/month per senior. Due to death and out migration, 7 % of these new eligibles will leave the caseload each year. The cost of these new eligibles is shown below. Federal Funds are assumed to be 60% of the cost of adding new people before the adjustment.

FY 04: 450 persons x \$490/mo. x 12 mo. = \$2,646.0

FY 05: 419 persons x \$490/mo. x 12 mo. = \$2,463.7

FY 06: 390 persons x \$490/mo. x 12 mo. = \$2,293.2

FY 07: 363 persons x \$490/mo. x 12 mo. = \$2,134.4

FY 08: 338 persons x \$490/mo. x 12 mo. = \$1,987.4

FY 09: 314 persons x \$490/mo. x 12 mo. = \$1,846.3

In addition, the Department currently spends \$190,000 in general funds on ALB Hold Harmless payments. These payments would be reduced as the ALB phased out. The adjusted costs of increased Medicaid coverage for senior citizens are shown below.

FY 04: \$2,646.0 - \$152.0 = \$2,494.0

FY 05: \$2,463.7 - \$114.0 = \$2,349.7

FY 06: \$2,293.2 - \$76.0 = \$2,217.2

FY 07: \$2,134.4 - \$38.0 = \$2,096.4

FY 08: \$1,987.4 - \$0.0 = \$1,987.4

FY 09: \$1,846.3 - \$0.0 = \$1,846.3

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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 2
Bill Version: CSSB 117(FIN)
(S) Publish Date: 5/14/03

SENATE FINANCE
COMMITTEE

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): 05/14/2003
Title: ELIMINATE LONGEVITY BONUS

Dept. Affected: Health & Social Services
BRU: Public Assistance
Component: Adult Public Assistance

Sponsor: SENATE (RLS) BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

Requester: _____ Component No. 222

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims	210.0	195.3	181.4	168.8	157.1	146.2
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	210.0	195.3	181.4	168.8	157.1	146.2

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

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	210.0	195.3	181.4	168.8	157.1	146.2
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other(Specify Type-do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	210.0	195.3	181.4	168.8	157.1	146.2

Estimate of any current year (FY2003) cost: _____
Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2004 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)
Adult Public Assistance (APA) serves low-income seniors age 65+. Phasing out of the Alaska Longevity Bonus (ALB) may cause some seniors who are not currently receiving APA to seek help from the program because their income has dropped below what they need to make ends meet. Economic data on the monthly income of seniors receiving the ALB does not exist. However, using data from the 2000 McDowell report "Issues Affecting the Economic Well-Being of Seniors," we estimate approximately 500 seniors may apply and be found eligible for APA. We assume that these new eligibles would have income closer to the maximum need standard and receive an average monthly benefit of \$35.

(Analysis continued on page 2)

Prepared by: Angela Salerno Phone 465-3200
Division: Public Assistance Date/Time 05/14/2003
Approved by: Joel S. Gilbertson, Commissioner Date 05/14/2003
Agency: Department of Health and Social Services

FISCAL NOTE
FN #2

STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CSSB 117(FIN)

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

Assumptions

Using data found in the McDowell report "Issues Affecting the Economic Well-Being of Seniors," we estimate that approximately 500 low-income ALB recipients will apply for APA when they begin to lose a portion of ALB income.

The average APA benefit will be \$35/mo.

Due to death and out migration, 7% of these new eligibles will leave the caseload each year.

These new eligibles will remain on the APA caseload after the final phase out of the ALB

Calculations

FY 04: 500 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$210.0

FY 05: 465 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$195.3

FY 06: 432 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$181.4

FY 07: 402 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$168.8

FY 08: 374 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$157.1

FY 09: 348 persons x \$35/mo. X 12 mos. = \$146.2

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 5
Bill Version: CSSB 117 (FIN)
(S) Publish Date: 5/14/03

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: Health & Social Services
Title: ELIMINATE LONGEVITY BONUS BRU: Alaska Longevity Programs
Component: Pioneers' Homes
Sponsor: SENATE (RLS) BY REQUEST OF
Requester: THE GOVERNOR Component No.: 2671

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
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						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()						
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

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	115.7	230.8	345.8	460.9	576.0	576.0
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
1156 Receipt Supported Services	(115.7)	(230.8)	(345.8)	(460.9)	(576.0)	(576.0)
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2003) cost: 0.0

Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2004 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: *(Attach a separate page if necessary)*

Phasing-out and then eliminating the Longevity Bonus Program will result in the reduction of Pioneers' Home receipts. Certain residents on the payment assistance program will receive reduced Longevity Bonus payments and therefore will have less income to pay towards their monthly rate.

This estimated loss in receipt supported services is based on our current resident population receiving Longevity Bonus warrants.

Prepared by: John Vowell
Division: Alaska Longevity Programs
Approved by: Bob Labbe, Deputy Commissioner
Agency: Department of Administration

Phone: 465-4416
Date/Time: 5/14/03 1:46 PM
Date: 5/14/2003

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SENATE FINANCE
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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSIONFiscal Note Number: 4
Bill Version: CSSB 117(FIN)
(S) Publish Date: 5/14/03

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction):

Dept. Affected: Health & Social ServicesTitle ELIMINATE LONGEVITY BONUSBRU Longevity Bonus GrantsComponent Longevity Bonus GrantsSponsor SENATE (RLS) BY REQUEST OFRequester GOVERNORComponent No. 26

Expenditures/Revenues

(Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims	(8,956.4)	(16,617.9)	(23,034.5)	(28,162.8)	(32,130.4)	(29,080.8)
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	(8,956.4)	(16,617.9)	(23,034.5)	(28,162.8)	(32,130.4)	(29,080.8)

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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FUND SOURCE

(Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	(8,956.4)	(16,617.9)	(23,034.5)	(28,162.8)	(32,130.4)	(29,080.8)
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	(8,956.4)	(16,617.9)	(23,034.5)	(28,162.8)	(32,130.4)	(29,080.8)

Estimate of any current year (FY2003) cost: 0.0

Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2004 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This fiscal note reflects the estimated savings by reducing the Longevity Bonus payments 20% each fiscal year beginning FY 2004 and ending FY 2007. The program will be eliminated June 30, 2007.

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 Division: Alaska Longevity Programs
 Approved by: Bob Labbe Deputy Commissioner
 Agency: Department of Health & Social Services

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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2003 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 3
Bill Version: CSSB 117(FIN)
(S) Publish Date: 5/14/03

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): 5/14/2003
Title: ELIMINATE LONGEVITY BONUS

Dept. Affected: Health & Social Services
BRU: Public Assistance
Component: OAA-ALB Hold Harmless

Sponsor: SENATE (RLS) BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

Requester: _____ Component No. 223

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims	(291.9)	(583.8)	(875.7)	(1,167.6)	(1,459.5)	(1,459.5)
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	(291.9)	(583.8)	(875.7)	(1,167.6)	(1,459.5)	(1,459.5)
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
CHANGE IN REVENUES (0)						

FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	(291.9)	(583.8)	(875.7)	(1,167.6)	(1,459.5)	(1,459.5)
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other(Specify Type-do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	(291.9)	(583.8)	(875.7)	(1,167.6)	(1,459.5)	(1,459.5)

Estimate of any current year (FY2003) cost: _____
Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2004 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)
This legislation phases out the Alaska Longevity Bonus Program (ALB) over a five-year time period. Longevity bonus payments will be reduced by 20% in FY05, by 40% in FY05, by 60% in FY06, by 80% in FY07, and by 100% in FY08.
Federal SSI eligibility rules require that the ALB must be counted as income when determining SSI eligibility. This results in the loss of all or a portion of SSI benefits to approximately 1000 ALB/SSI recipients. To mitigate the loss of SSI income, the ALB Hold harmless program replaces these lost SSI benefits. As the ALB payments are phased out, the amount needed to replace lost SSI benefits will be reduced by the same percentage as the longevity bonus.

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Division: Public Assistance Date/Time: 04/29/2003
Approved by: Joel S. Gilbertson, Commissioner Date: 05/14/2003
Agency: Department of Health and Social Services

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE
5 / 13 / 2003 COMMITTEE ACTION

Bill Number	SB 117		
Amendment			
Motion	to adopt ESB Report		
<u>Motion by</u>	Taylor		
<u>Objection by</u>	Hoffman + Olson		
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<u>Second Objection by</u>			
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Senator Stevens	✓		
Senator Taylor	✓		
Senator Bunde	✓		
Senator Hoffman			✓
Co-Chair Green	✓		
Co-Chair Wilken	✓		
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CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 117()
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY

Offered:
Referred:

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

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to the longevity bonus program; and providing for an effective date."

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

3 * Section 1. AS 09.38.015(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) An individual is entitled to exemption of the following property:

5 (1) a burial plot for the individual and the individual's family;

6 (2) health aids reasonably necessary to enable the individual or a
7 dependent to work or to sustain health;

8 (3) benefits paid or payable for medical, surgical, or hospital care to
9 the extent they are or will be used to pay for the care;

10 (4) an award under AS 18.67 (Violent Crimes Compensation Board) or
11 a crime victim's reparations act of another jurisdiction;

12 (5) benefits paid or payable as a longevity bonus under former
13 AS 47.45;

14 (6) compensation or benefits paid or payable and exempt under federal
15 law;

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- (7) liquor licenses granted under AS 04;
- (8) tuition credit or savings accounts under a higher education savings account established under AS 14.40.802 or an advance college tuition savings contract authorized under AS 14.40.809(a);
- (9) a permanent fund dividend to the extent allowed under AS 43.23.065.

* Sec. 2. AS 18.56.850(b) is amended to read:

(b) In the development of a home energy conservation or weatherization program under (a) of this section, the corporation may not consider the value of [ALASKA LONGEVITY BONUS PAYMENTS UNDER AS 47.45 OR] permanent fund dividends under AS 43.23 in determining whether a person meets income guidelines established under AS 18.56.088 and (a) of this section for a state or, to the extent permitted by federal law, a federal energy conservation or weatherization program.

* Sec. 3. AS 44.21.230(c) is amended to read:

(c) The commission may not investigate, review, or undertake any responsibility for the [LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM UNDER AS 47.45 OR THE] Alaska Pioneers' Homes under AS 47.55.

* Sec. 4. AS 44.99.205(c)(3) is amended to read:

(3) "program" includes the permanent fund dividend program under AS 43.23 [AND THE LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM UNDER AS 47.45];

* Sec. 5. AS 47.08.060(c) is amended to read:

(c) In applying the formula to determine the applicant's share, the total gross income and the total assets of the family of the applicant may be taken into account, with the following exceptions:

- (1) the applicant's permanent place of abode;
- (2) one noncommercial vehicle;
- (3) tools, equipment, vehicles, and other assets required in a trade or business;
- (4) ordinary household and personal effects;
- (5) \$1,000 of liquid assets;

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1 (6) all nonliquid assets unless this exclusion would bring about an
2 inequitable result; however, all income derived from this property shall be taken into
3 consideration in determining the recipient's gross income;

4 (7) inalienable shares in a Native corporation created under 43 U.S.C.
5 1601-1628 (Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act), for the period of their
6 inalienability as specified in the Act;

7 (8) Alaska longevity bonus payments under former AS 47.45;

8 (9) any other assets specifically restricted for the use of the recipient
9 by state or federal law.

10 * Sec. 6. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
11 read:

12 REDUCTIONS IN LONGEVITY BONUS PAYMENTS. Notwithstanding
13 AS 47.45.010(a), the amount of each monthly longevity bonus payment payable under
14 AS 47.45.010(a)(1) - (4) shall be reduced by

15 (1) 20 percent for a payment made in fiscal year 2004;

16 (2) 40 percent for a payment made in fiscal year 2005;

17 (3) 60 percent for a payment made in fiscal year 2006;

18 (4) 80 percent for a payment made in fiscal year 2007.

19 * Sec. 7. AS 47.45.010, 47.45.020, 47.45.030, 47.45.040, 47.45.050, 47.45.060, 47.45.070,
20 47.45.080, 47.45.100, 47.45.110, 47.45.120, 47.45.122, 47.45.130, 47.45.140, 47.45.150, and
21 47.45.160 are repealed.

22 * Sec. 8. Section 6 of this Act takes effect July 1, 2003.

23 * Sec. 9. Sections 1 - 5 and 7 of this Act take effect July 1, 2007.

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CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 117()

**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION**

BY

**Offered:
Referred:**

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

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the longevity bonus program; and providing for an effective date."**

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

3 *** Section 1.** AS 47.45 is amended by adding a new section to read:

4 **Sec. 47.45.015. Maximum income and assets for eligibility to receive**
5 **longevity bonus.** (a) In addition to the qualifications set out in AS 47.45.010 and
6 other provisions of this chapter, eligibility for a bonus is restricted to individuals who

7 (1) receive adult public assistance under AS 47.25.430 - 47.25.615; or

8 (2) meet the following income and asset qualifications:

9 (A) monthly income does not exceed \$1,402 for an individual
10 or \$1,893 for a couple; and

11 (B) total value of assets does not exceed \$4,000 for an
12 individual or \$6,000 for a couple, excluding the monthly income permitted
13 under (A) of this subsection, the primary residence, one automobile, and the
14 amount of money determined sufficient for burial expenses under
15 AS 47.55.020(e)(8).

1 (b) The calculation of income and the value of assets for purposes of (a)(2) of
2 this section shall be accomplished in the same way that income and the value of assets
3 are calculated for purposes of determining eligibility for adult public assistance under
4 AS 47.25.430 - 47.25.615.

5 (c) A recipient must report any change in financial status on the monthly
6 application submitted under AS 47.45.020. At least once a year, the department shall
7 review the recipient's financial status to verify eligibility for bonuses under this
8 section.

9 (d) A period of ineligibility to receive bonuses under this section does not
10 permanently disqualify the individual from receiving bonuses.

11 * **Sec. 2.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
12 read:

13 **APPLICABILITY.** This Act applies to the eligibility determinations for longevity
14 bonuses paid on or after September 1, 2003.

15 * **Sec. 3.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
16 read:

17 **TRANSITION: REGULATIONS.** Notwithstanding sec. 5 of this Act, the
18 commissioner of administration may proceed to adopt regulations necessary to implement the
19 provisions of this Act. The regulations take effect under AS 47.45.100, but not before the
20 effective date of secs. 1 and 2 of this Act.

21 * **Sec. 4.** Section 3 of this Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

22 * **Sec. 5.** Sections 1 and 2 of this Act take effect July 1, 2003.

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CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 117()
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY

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

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to eligibility for the longevity bonus program and restricting the
2 program to certain individuals with limited income and assets; and providing for an
3 effective date."

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

5 * Section 1. AS 47.45 is amended by adding a new section to read:

6 Sec. 47.45.015. Maximum income and assets for eligibility to receive
7 longevity bonus. (a) In addition to the qualifications set out in AS 47.45.010 and
8 other provisions of this chapter, eligibility for a bonus is restricted to individuals who

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17 bonuses paid on or after July 1, 2003.

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19 read:

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21 commissioner of *for new* ions necessary to implement the
22 provisions of thi *eligibility* .S 47.45.100, but not before the
23 effective date of *requirements*

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Bill Number:	SB 117		
Amendment			
Motion	ADOPT Version I		
<u>Motion by</u>	Bunde		
<u>Objection by</u>	Taylor		
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<u>Committee Member</u>	Y	<u>Vote</u>	N
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Senator Stevens			
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Senator Bunde			
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STATE OF ALASKA
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Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____
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Dept. Affected: Administration
BRU Alaska Longevity Programs
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Component No. _____

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Personal Services	138.9	138.9	138.9	138.9	138.9	138.9
Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Contractual	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
Supplies	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Equipment	6.0	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	(27,100.0)	(31,081.9)	(28,704.6)	(26,320.6)	(23,946.4)	(21,541.8)
Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL OPERATING	(26,953.4)	(30,941.3)	(28,564.0)	(26,180.0)	(23,805.8)	(21,401.2)

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

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	(26,953.4)	(30,941.3)	(28,564.0)	(26,180.0)	(23,805.8)	(21,401.2)
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--Do not abbreviate)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	(26,953.4)	(30,941.3)	(28,564.0)	(26,180.0)	(23,805.8)	(21,401.2)

Estimate of any current year (FY2003) cost: 30.0

Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2004 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time	3	3	3	3	3	3
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ANALYSIS: *(Attach a separate page if necessary)*

This fiscal note includes \$8.2 million to cover the May and June Longevity Bonus payments which are paid in July and August and removes the \$44.8 projected program cost for FY 2004. It is estimated that the effect of moving to a needs-based Longevity Bonus program will reduce the number of recipients from approximately 18,000 to 4,300. The anticipated cost of bonus program for the months September through June, 2004 is \$9.5 million. Additional costs are for three PFT Eligibility Technicians to determine the eligibility of current recipients and related (one-time) equipment costs. Startup costs to be incurred in FY03 are approx. 15.0 for additional programming of the Longevity Bonus system to archive and track eligibility, produce a tickler system for the annual review and to change the monthly validation stubs as necessary and continued maintenance of the system, and 15.0 for developing emergency regulations.

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Approved by: Ray Matiashowski, Deputy Commissioner
Agency: Department of Administration

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The Governor's proposal—the original version of SB 117—eliminates the Longevity Bonus program in its entirety.

In public testimony before the Senate State Affairs Committee—and its counterpart in the House—recipients of the Bonus made it clear that they depend on the monthly checks they receive to make ends meet.

The Committee Substitute in front of you preserves the program, but applies a two-part means test in order to make sure those recipients that need the Bonus continue to receive it.

The first test is on income

The second test is on assets

In order to make the revised program easier to administer, the CS adopts the same definitions for calculating income and assets as the current Adult Public Assistance program. That means there are items that are disregarded when the respective calculations are made.

For income purposes, the PFD, 50% of earned income, the first \$2000 of an ANCSA dividend, and any other needs-based state assistance received by the person are all excluded.

For assets purposes, one home, one car, personal property (clothes, furniture, etc.), funds set aside for burial, non-cash ANCSA distributions, Native allotments, and reparations/settlements are all excluded.

The reason for an assets test is that some people have large assets available to them and are able to structure their finances so they have relatively lower monthly income.

When we began looking into how to apply a means test, we first looked at the requirements for Adult Public Assistance. However, those income and asset levels appeared to be very modest...just over \$1,000 in monthly income for a single person and just over \$1500 for a couple.

This CS sets each of those figures approximately \$400 higher and also doubles the assets test threshold. *to \$4,000/person and \$6,000/couple*

In order to qualify for the revised program, individuals and couples will need to go through an annual review to verify their eligibility. It is projected that roughly 4300 people will qualify under these conditions.

So that we can cut down on the administrative expense of this review, eligibility for APA constitutes eligibility for the Longevity Bonus. That should eliminate the necessity to review approximately 2/3 of the recipients. That leaves the cohort of people who exceed the APA thresholds, but fall under the ALB thresholds (approximately 1600 people) who the departments will need to review.

After the initial review, recipients will only need to check off on their monthly residency forms that they continue to meet the income/assets requirements.

Now, when the program goes into effect later this year, there will be some implementation issues.

Currently, when a check arrives in the mail for the month of May, it is based on residency two months prior (March). So, if the new eligibility requirements go into effect on July 1, current recipients will continue to receive checks in July and August of this year. *due to their eligibility in May and June*

Which brings me to a technical amendment to this draft that's necessary for implementation. On page 2, line 17, the language needs to read September 1 rather than July 1.

Once we get to implementation, there will be some Longevity Bonus recipients who do not qualify under this set of tests. However, if at some point down the line that person's circumstances change and they do meet the thresholds, they will be able to resume their participation.

Finally mister chairman, we get to the fiscal note and costs of the new program.

Due to the two-month lag in payments, we will have two months worth of status quo payments—\$4.1 million each month for a total of \$8.2 million. For the balance of the fiscal year, monthly costs for the payments will be just under \$1 million per month for a total of \$9.5 million. With the additional administrative costs added in, the total costs of the ALB for FY 04 will be around \$18 million.

Based on the \$44.8 million in both the House and Senate approved operating budgets, this amounts to an overall savings of nearly \$27 million for FY 04.

Due to the 2 month lag factor, there will be an additional savings of \$4 million in FY 05 and then the program will resume its gradual erosion over time.

That concludes my testimony Mr. Chairman.

White Paper on the Alaska Longevity Bonus Program
March 14, 2003

History and Legislative Action

The Alaska Longevity Bonus Program was created in 1972. The intent of the program was to provide incentive for older Alaskans to continue uninterrupted residency in Alaska, acknowledge the economic hardships of living out retirement years in the state, and acknowledge the contributions these people made while Alaska was a territory.

The original statutory eligibility requirements were:

Sec. 47.45.010. PERSONS WHO MAY QUALIFY FOR LONGEVITY BONUS. (a) A person who is 65 years of age or over, who was domiciled in the territory on or before January 3, 1959 and who has maintained a continuous residence domicile in the territory or state for 25 years may apply to the commissioner of administration for qualification to receive a monthly bonus of \$100.

By legislative action, the bonus amount was raised to \$125 in 1977, \$150 in 1979, \$200 in 1981 and \$250 in 1982.

The age and 25 year residency eligibility continued until a 1984 Superior Court opinion in the case of Schafer v. Vest (680 P.2d 1169 Alaska 1984) found the residency provision to be unconstitutional. As a result, the Legislature amended the statutes governing the program so that any person who was age 65 or older and an Alaskan resident for one year was eligible for the program.

In 1990, a hold-harmless ruling allowed bonus recipients to receive monthly checks without affecting public assistance eligibility. Also that year, legislation was enacted doubling the residency requirement to two years.

In June of 1991 the Superior Court ruled against the two-year residency requirement and eligibility reverts to one-year residency. The bonus amount continued to be \$250 per person, per month.

At the end of 1992 there were 21,645 recipients in the bonus program at a cost to the state of \$63 million.

In 1993 legislation was passed "phasing out" the longevity bonus program over the next three years. New applicants in 1994 received \$200 per month; 1995

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applicants received \$150/mo; and 1996 applicants received \$100/mo. No new applicants were accepted into the program after December 31, 1996.

In July, 2002, legislation was enacted to allow recipients to be absent from the state for 60 days without loss of a bonus payment. Prior to this, the allowed absence without loss of a bonus payment was 30 days.

Monthly Operations

The longevity bonus check document is a three-part sheet. The top section is the check itself. The second section is an information area and lists Alaska Longevity Program numbers to call for answers concerning the check. Each February, the second section becomes the recipient's Federal 1099 form for income tax purposes. The lower portion of the page is an eligibility "validation stub" that must be completed, signed and mailed or faxed to the longevity bonus program office for the recipient to be eligible for the next month's check. Eligibility validation stubs are received and processed in the office throughout the month. At month end, a computer system compiles all the validation information and generates an interface with the state accounting system to print the checks.

Longevity bonus checks are issued on a two month "lag" period; that is, a check is issued based on a person's eligibility two months earlier. For example, the check a recipient receives in December is actually payment for October.

Longevity Bonus Grants Authorized Budget Summary (In \$1,000's)

	(Authorized) <u>FY 2003</u>	<u>FY 2002</u>	<u>FY 2001</u>	<u>FY 2000</u>	<u>FY 1999</u>	<u>FY 1998</u>	<u>FY 1997</u>	<u>FY 1996</u>	<u>FY 1995</u>	<u>FY 1994</u>	<u>FY 1993</u>
Original Authorization	\$47,519.3	\$51,158.6	\$53,558.6	\$55,302.1	\$63,499.4	\$70,593.6	\$74,062.6	\$72,152.6	\$73,409.9	\$69,084.2	\$64,898.7
Supplemental			1,300.0	3,839.7	100.0	(2,177.3)	(1,341.0)	1,600.0	(700.0)	1,694.9	1,980.7
Final Authorized		51,158.6	54,858.6	59,141.8	63,599.4	68,416.3	72,721.6	73,752.6	72,709.9	70,779.1	66,879.4
Actual Expenditures		50,958.0	54,829.9	59,125.5	\$63,528.6	68,031.9	71,950.8	73,270.1	72,709.5	70,414.1	66,607.5
Difference		\$200.6	\$28.7	\$16.3	\$70.8	\$384.4	\$770.8	\$482.5	\$0.4	\$365.0	\$271.9

Alaska Longevity Bonus Statistical Summary

Most Recent Month January 2003

Sex of Active Participants:	Male	45%
	Female	55%
Active Participants Receiving Warrant:	17,340	
Total Warrants Issued:	17,531	
Total Cost of Warrants Issued:	\$3,846,500	

Includes past warrants due to some participants.

Budget

	FY 2001	FY 2002
Authorized	\$54,858,600	\$51,158,600
Cost	54,829,300	50,958,000
Difference	\$28,700	\$200,600

History

Fiscal Year	Total Cost	Bonus Amount	# Recipients (FY end)
1973	\$2,532,300	\$100	4,753
1974	6,009,700	100	5,250
1975	6,255,300	100	5,463
1976	6,533,400	100	5,553
1977	8,666,900	125	6,228
1978	9,444,200	125	6,671
1979	12,195,500	150	7,207
1980	13,226,500	150	7,897
1981	19,420,600	200	8,527
1982	26,198,750	250	9,101
1983	27,504,500	250	9,731
1984	29,155,750	250	10,769
1985	43,096,750	250	15,135
1986	44,024,250	250	15,763
1987	46,943,250	250	16,834
1988	49,994,000	250	17,675
1989	53,348,500	250	18,439
1990	57,172,700	250	19,490
1991	60,069,500	250	20,298
1992	63,073,750	250	21,645
1993	66,607,500	250	22,741
1994	70,414,100	See (5)	23,850
1995	72,709,500	See (5)	24,959
1996	73,270,100	See (5)	26,083
1997	71,950,800	See (5)	26,427
1998	68,031,900	See (5)	24,610
1999	63,528,600	See (5)	23,039
2000	59,125,450	See (5)	21,467
2001	54,829,900	See (5)	20,238
2002	50,957,990	See (5)	18,741

See (1)

See (2)

See (3)

See (4)

Projections

Fiscal Year	Total Cost	Average # Monthly Recipients
2003	47,981,000	17,954
2004	44,777,917	17,252
2005	41,543,333	16,081
2006	38,344,167	14,917
2007	35,203,333	13,766
2008	32,130,417	12,631
2009	29,080,833	11,468
2010	26,115,000	10,324
2011	23,361,667	9,304
2012	20,743,333	8,322
2013	18,250,000	7,376
2014	15,914,583	6,484
2015	13,740,417	5,654
2016	11,734,167	4,883
2017	9,901,250	4,165
2018	8,251,250	3,510
2019	6,768,750	2,917
2020	5,457,083	2,390
2021	4,326,667	1,931
2022	3,342,917	1,524
2023	2,510,833	1,168
2024	1,832,917	876
2025	1,282,083	638
2026	848,750	447
2027	525,833	298
2028	288,333	176
2029	116,250	81
2030	36,250	28
2031	5,833	5

See (6)

See (7)

Note (1) 25 year residency requirement

Note (2) 1 year residency requirement, 5/1

Note (3) 2 year residency requirement, 1/1

Note (4) 1 year residency requirement, 6/11

Note (5) The Longevity Bonus Program is being phased out. New applicants in: 1994 received \$200 per month; 1995 received \$150 per month and 1996 received \$100 per month. No recipients were added to the program after December 31, 1996. All people on the program prior to 1997 continue to receive their monthly bonus as long as they maintain their eligibility.

Note (6) Based on actual expenditures through February 28, 2003.

Note (7) Low projection; as of October 9, 2002 forecast run.

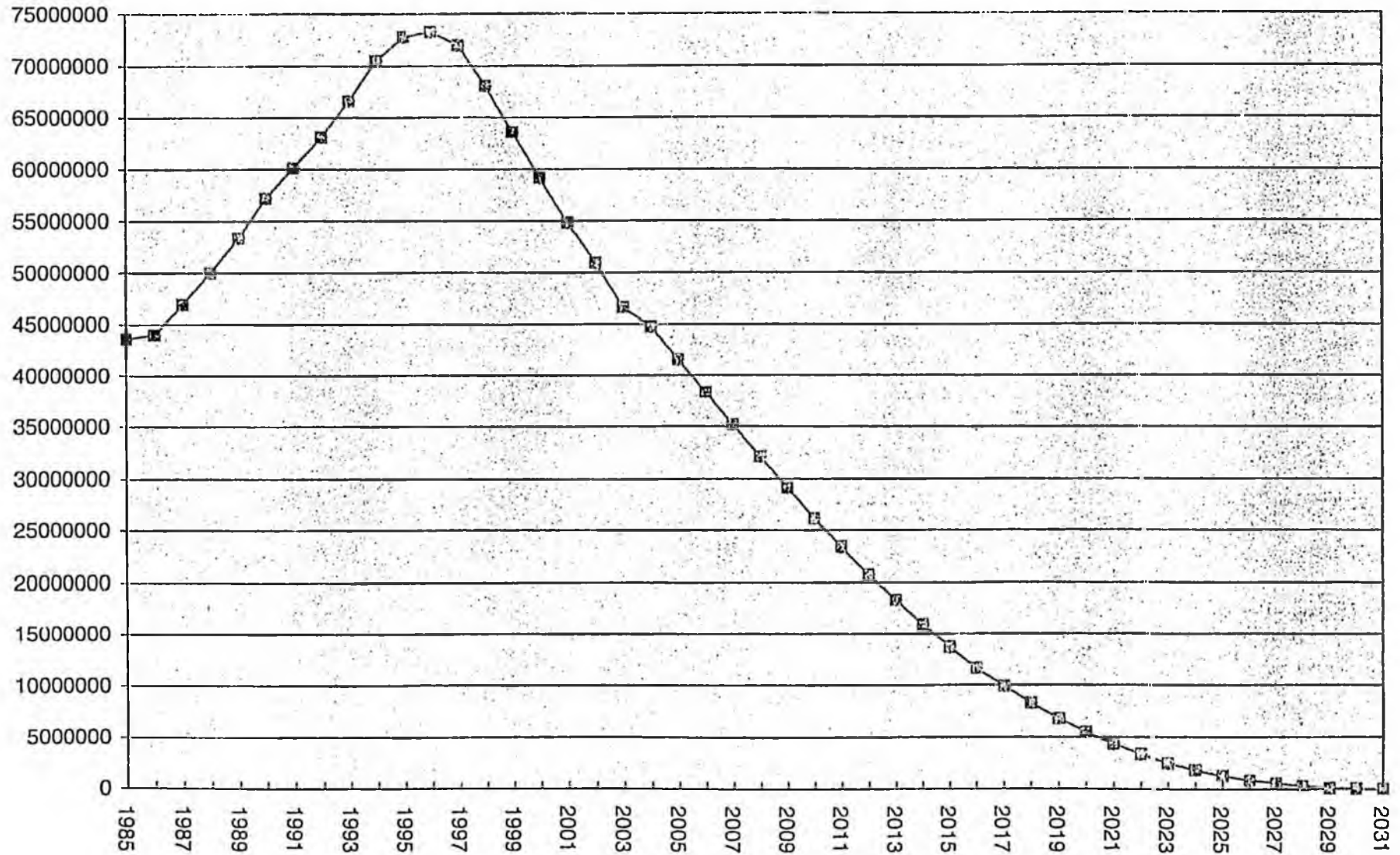
Note (8) Based on the average low payment estimate per the McDowell Group forecast model.

Longevity Bonus Program Projections
As of October 9, 2002

Fiscal Year	\$250 / month		\$200 / month		\$150 / month		\$100 / month		Combined Totals	
	Average No. Monthly Participants	Cost (In 1,000's)	Average No. Monthly Participants	Cost (In 1,000's)	Average No. Monthly Participants	Cost (In 1,000's)	Average No. Monthly Participants	Cost (In 1,000's)	Average No. Monthly Participants	Cost (In 1,000's)
2004	11,646	34,936.6	1,681	4,033.3	1,827	3,288.7	2,099	2,518.3	17,252	44,776.8
2005	10,702	32,107.4	1,607	3,856.6	1,756	3,160.0	2,015	2,418.3	16,080	41,542.3
2006	9,783	29,349.1	1,520	3,648.3	1,644	3,027.5	1,932	2,318.3	14,879	38,343.1
2007	8,893	26,680.4	1,432	3,436.6	1,595	2,871.2	1,845	2,214.1	13,766	35,202.3
2008	8,029	24,086.7	1,349	3,236.6	1,503	2,706.2	1,750	2,100.0	12,631	32,129.4
2009	7,193	21,578.4	1,269	3,044.9	1,415	2,547.5	1,591	1,909.1	11,468	29,079.8
2010	6,390	19,170.1	1,187	2,348.3	1,332	2,397.5	1,415	1,698.3	10,324	26,114.1
2011	5,631	16,893.0	1,095	2,628.3	1,245	2,241.2	1,332	1,598.3	9,303	23,360.8
2012	4,923	14,770.2	1,003	2,408.3	1,150	2,069.9	1,245	1,494.1	8,322	20,742.5
2013	4,157	12,782.7	915	2,196.6	1,050	1,889.9	1,150	1,380.0	7,272	18,249.2
2014	3,645	10,934.8	832	1,996.6	957	1,722.5	1,015	1,260.0	6,449	15,913.8
2015	3,074	9,222.4	749	1,796.6	874	1,572.5	907	1,148.3	5,653	13,739.7
2016	2,560	7,680.8	662	1,588.3	787	1,416.2	874	1,048.3	4,882	11,733.5
2017	2,110	6,328.8	574	1,376.6	695	1,251.2	787	944.1	4,165	9,900.7
2018	1,710	5,130.9	497	1,193.3	607	1,092.5	695	834.1	3,510	8,250.7
2019	1,353	4,058.0	431	1,033.3	527	948.7	607	728.3	2,917	6,768.3
2020	1,044	3,131.0	364	873.3	456	820.0	527	632.5	2,390	5,456.7
2021	786	2,358.1	301	721.6	389	700.0	456	546.6	1,931	4,326.3
2022	574	1,720.7	242	581.6	319	573.7	369	466.6	1,523	3,342.6
2023	404	1,212.4	191	458.3	254	457.5	319	382.5	1,168	2,510.6
2024	265	793.6	153	366.6	204	367.5	254	305.0	876	1,832.7
2025	153	460.3	119	286.6	161	290.0	204	245.0	638	1,281.9
2026	76	227.0	83	198.3	128	230.0	161	193.3	447	848.6
2027	31	93.7	48	115.0	91	163.7	128	153.3	298	525.8
2028	10	29.2	23	55.0	53	95.0	91	109.2	176	288.3
2029	0	0.0	5	11.7	23	41.2	53	63.3	81	116.2
2030	0	0.0	0	0.0	5	8.7	23	27.5	28	36.2
2031	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	5	5.8	5	5.8

Notes: Participants are any person who has applied for and is eligible to receive the Longevity Bonus.
Based on the low projections per the October 9, 2002 forecast run.

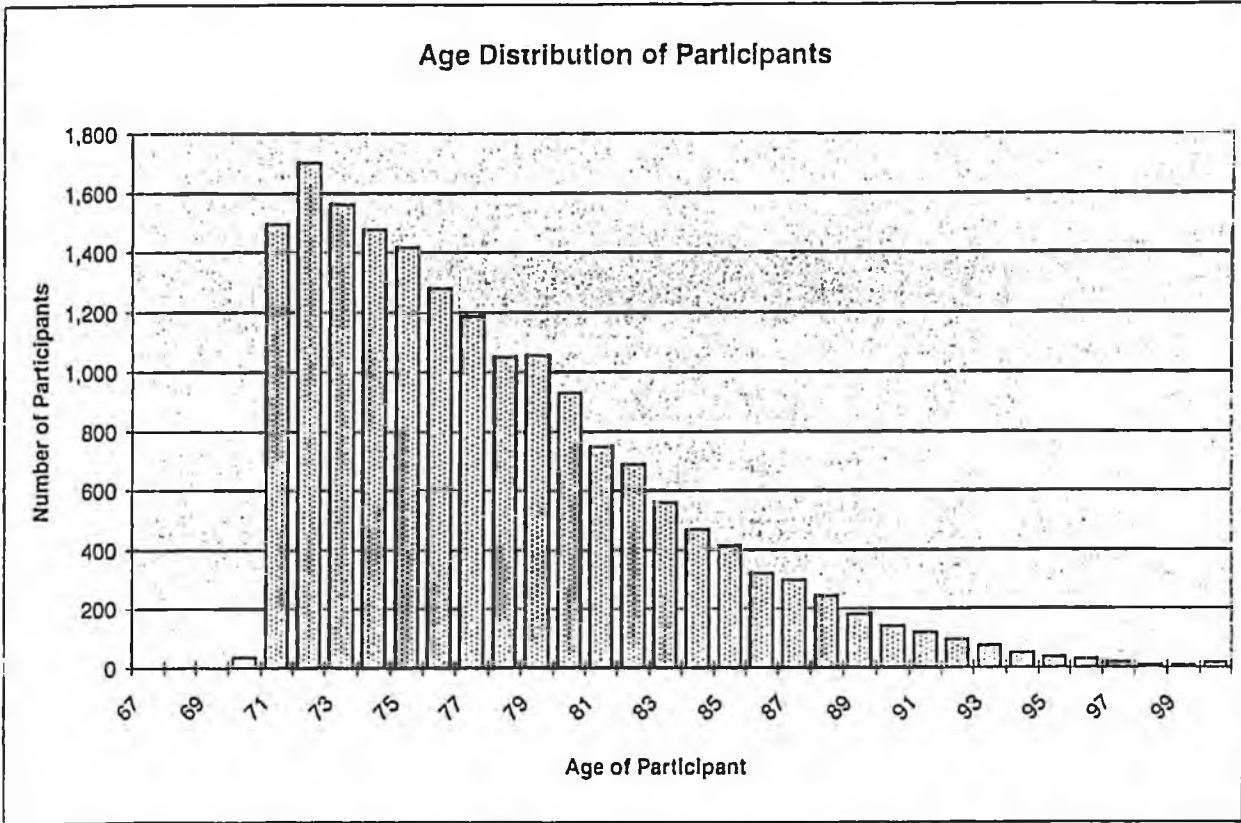
Longevity Bonus Program Phase-out (amounts from FY1985 - FY2002 are actual expenditures; amounts from FY 2003 are the forecasted low estimates)



**Age Distribution of Longevity Bonus Participants
As of December 2002**

Age	Bonus Amount				Total
	\$250	\$200	\$150	\$100	
67	1	0	0	0	1
68	1	0	0	0	1
69	0	0	0	0	0
70	0	1	1	33	35
71	0	0	39	1,455	1,494
72	0	48	1,565	89	1,702
73	45	1,397	86	32	1,560
74	1,324	94	38	20	1,476
75	1,327	37	26	25	1,415
76	1,226	32	14	7	1,279
77	1,132	24	16	14	1,186
78	1,012	14	9	15	1,050
79	1,017	13	15	10	1,055
80	894	12	13	9	928
81	718	8	12	10	748
82	656	14	11	7	688
83	538	8	2	10	558
84	448	5	9	7	469
85	399	6	2	7	414
86	306	6	2	6	320
87	289	1	2	5	297
88	234	3	4	3	244
89	175	1	3	1	180
90	132	6	2	1	141
91	112	1	3	2	118
92	91	2	0	1	94
93	70	0	2	1	73
94	48	0	1	0	49
95	33	1	1	0	35
96	29	0	0	1	30
97	15	0	1	1	17
98	8	0	0	0	8
99	8	0	1	0	9
100 & over	14	1	0	0	15
Total	12,302	1,735	1,880	1,772	17 689

Age Distribution of Participants



Longevity Bonus Program
Age of Participants
As of December 2002

Age	Number of Participants	Percent	% This Age or Older	% Younger	% Older
67	1	0.01%	100.00%		99.99%
68	1	0.01%	99.99%	0.01%	99.99%
69	0	0.00%	99.99%	0.01%	99.99%
70	35	0.20%	99.99%	0.01%	99.79%
71	1,494	8.45%	99.79%	0.21%	91.34%
72	1,702	9.62%	91.34%	8.66%	81.72%
73	1,560	8.82%	81.72%	18.28%	72.90%
74	1,476	8.34%	72.90%	27.10%	64.56%
75	1,415	8.00%	64.56%	35.44%	56.56%
76	1,279	7.23%	56.56%	43.44%	49.33%
77	1,186	6.70%	49.33%	50.67%	42.63%
78	1,050	5.94%	42.63%	57.37%	36.69%
79	1,055	5.96%	36.69%	63.31%	30.73%
80	928	5.25%	30.73%	69.27%	25.48%
81	748	4.23%	25.48%	74.52%	21.25%
82	688	3.89%	21.25%	78.75%	17.36%
83	558	3.15%	17.36%	82.64%	14.21%
84	469	2.65%	14.21%	85.79%	11.56%
85	414	2.34%	11.56%	88.44%	9.21%
86	320	1.81%	9.21%	90.79%	7.41%
87	297	1.68%	7.41%	92.59%	5.73%
88	244	1.33%	5.73%	94.27%	4.35%
89	180	1.02%	4.35%	95.65%	3.33%
90	141	0.80%	3.33%	96.67%	2.53%
91	118	0.67%	2.53%	97.47%	1.87%
92	94	0.53%	1.87%	98.13%	1.33%
93	73	0.41%	1.33%	98.67%	0.92%
94	49	0.28%	0.92%	99.08%	0.64%
95	35	0.20%	0.64%	99.36%	0.45%
96	30	0.17%	0.45%	99.55%	0.28%
97	17	0.10%	0.28%	99.72%	0.18%
98	8	0.05%	0.18%	99.82%	0.14%
99	9	0.05%	0.14%	99.86%	0.08%
100	15	0.08%	0.08%	99.92%	0.00%
Total	17,689	100.00%			

Average Age of Participant: 77.5

Median Age of Participant: 76

Longevity Bonus Participants by Zipcode
As of March 2003

Zip Code	Count	Zip Code	Count	Zip Code	Count	Zip Code	Count	Zip Code	Count	Zip Code	Count
77682	1	99563	18	99627	16	99678	35	99738	4	99788	6
98056	1	99564	2	99628	15	99679	11	99739	8	99789	11
98368	1	99565	3	99630	12	99680	9	99740	26	99791	4
99059	1	99566	7	99631	6	99681	15	99741	14	99795	1
99467	1	99567	187	99632	19	99682	8	99742	18	99801	605
99501	333	99568	19	99633	10	99683	16	99743	9	99802	154
99502	388	99569	4	99634	12	99684	35	99744	3	99803	91
99503	456	99571	2	99635	53	99685	17	99745	5	99811	1
99504	976	99572	43	99636	10	99686	52	99746	17	99820	18
99505	3	99573	53	99637	16	99687	436	99747	11	99821	52
99506	4	99574	72	99638	3	99638	86	99748	11	99824	82
99507	442	99575	6	99639	63	99689	17	99749	12	99825	1
99508	963	99576	69	99640	8	99690	10	99750	13	99826	3
99509	158	99577	321	99641	11	99691	5	99751	2	99827	133
99510	131	99578	8	99643	5	99692	2	99752	62	99829	33
99511	106	99579	1	99644	12	99693	8	99753	6	99830	32
99512	1	99580	6	99645	649	99694	13	99754	3	99832	10
99513	2	99581	18	99647	3	99695	2	99755	1	99833	154
99514	82	99583	2	99648	4	99697	1	99756	3	99835	362
99515	369	99585	10	99649	3	99700	1	99758	17	99836	1
99516	351	99586	30	99650	17	99701	665	99759	4	99840	30
99517	585	99587	14	99651	1	99702	2	99760	32	99841	8
99518	209	99588	44	99652	81	99705	200	99761	16	99901	518
99519	40	99589	6	99653	4	99706	51	99762	99	99903	2
99520	68	99590	6	99654	399	99707	241	99763	25	99907	1
99521	57	99591	5	99655	33	99708	122	99764	9	99917	1
99522	48	99598	1	99656	2	99709	376	99765	13	99918	5
99523	53	99599	2	99657	7	99710	39	99766	21	99919	7
99524	71	99602	10	99658	23	99711	26	99767	3	99921	38
99533	1	99603	324	99659	8	99712	122	99768	7	99922	11
99540	6	99604	35	99660	11	99714	22	99769	17	99923	3
99546	1	99605	12	99661	11	99716	9	99770	22	99924	1
99547	5	99605	11	99662	1	99720	11	99771	9	99925	17
99548	3	99607	6	99663	18	99721	8	99772	22	99926	58
99549	2	99609	18	99664	139	99722	2	99773	15	99927	5
99550	14	99610	70	99665	5	99723	80	99774	3	99928	38
99551	19	99611	372	99666	4	99724	4	99776	4	99929	136
99552	11	99612	11	99667	2	99725	12	99777	11	99946	1
99553	2	99613	13	99668	5	99726	4	99778	8	99950	13
99554	24	99614	18	99669	386	99727	6	99779	4		
99555	7	99615	253	99670	3	99729	8	99780	52		
99556	63	99620	13	99671	12	99730	4	99781	6		
99557	14	99621	27	99672	97	99732	1	99782	22		
99558	3	99622	15	99674	28	99733	2	99783	3		
99559	148	99624	6	99675	3	99734	1	99784	8		
99561	14	99625	6	99676	31	99736	4	99785	7		
99562	1	99628	8	99677	7	99737	122	99786	8	Total	17,546

Note: Active participants who are eligible to receive a Longevity Bonus payment if validation submitted timely.

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Providing for an Alaska longevity bonus; and providing for an effective date.

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

* Section 1. AS 47 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

CHAPTER 45. ALASKA LONGEVITY BONUS.

Sec. 47.45.010. PERSONS WHO MAY QUALIFY FOR LONGEVITY BONUS. (a) A person who is 65 years of age or over, who was domiciled in the territory on or before January 3, 1959, and who has maintained a continuous domicile in the territory or state for 25 years may apply to the commissioner of administration for qualification to receive a monthly bonus of \$100.

(b) When the commissioner of administration determines that an applicant qualifies under this chapter he shall immediately begin payment of the bonus.

(c) A person who otherwise qualifies to receive a bonus provided for in this chapter may continue to do so only as long as he continuously retains a domicile in the state.

Sec. 47.45.020. CONTINUOUS ELIGIBILITY PROCEDURES. After qualification, monthly applications for bonuses may be made in person to any office of the Department of Administration. Mailed monthly applications shall also be considered by the Department of Administration. In-person or mailed applications shall be made on forms provided by the Department of Administration and shall conform to the conditions as provided by regulation. The commissioner may make exceptions to those residents who are

isolated in rural areas and cannot mail a monthly application; however, they shall mail an application at least once every six months.

Sec. 47.45.030. ABSENCE FROM THE STATE. A recipient shall notify the commissioner of administration when he expects to be absent from the state if the absence is for a continuous period that exceeds 30 days. After such notification, the recipient shall no longer receive bonuses from the Department of Administration after his last regularly approved monthly application. Upon his return to the state he may again make application for a bonus. Whenever the absence is for a continuous period that exceeds 180 days, the recipient shall be disqualified from receiving bonuses for the next 12 calendar months after his return to the state. However, when the commissioner of administration determines a period of absence is beyond the control of the recipient, he may not be disqualified, if he still otherwise qualifies upon his return to the state. Continual absences from the state, even though reported, and failure to notify the commissioner of an expected absence may be grounds for disqualification.

Sec. 47.45.040. DISQUALIFICATION. Disqualification under this chapter shall rest solely with the commissioner of administration and shall be outlined in the regulations promulgated under sec. 100(1) of this chapter.

Sec. 47.45.050. DEPARTMENT HEARING. The Department of Administration may hold a departmental hearing upon the request of any applicant or recipient who has been disqualified. Previous to this hearing the department shall by certified mail notify an applicant or recipient in plain and comprehensive language the exact reason for his disqualification. Form letters using only referral to state statutes or department regulations, or otherwise vague in detail, shall not be considered compliance by the department with this section.

Sec. 47.45.060. LEGAL REMEDY. Legal remedy from disqualification may be sought by an applicant or recipient in any court of competent jurisdiction in the state. The burden of proof shall rest solely upon the applicant or recipient and any costs related to a disqualification verdict determined against the applicant or recipient may be recoverable by the attorney general from that person, or from any agency representing that person supported in whole, or in part, with state appropriations.

Sec. 47.45.070. UNQUALIFIED PERSONS. An unqualified person is one who

(1) does not meet the age or residence requirements as provided for under this chapter;

(2) meets the age and residence requirements of this chapter but is confined in a state or federal mental health institution or facility and is certified by the state as unable to manage his own affairs; however, if such a person was at the time of his commitment the principal support of a spouse, the commissioner of

administration may determine to pay the confined person's bonus to his spouse until the spouse is qualified for a bonus;

(3) is otherwise qualified but confined in a penal or correctional institution or facility; upon completion of sentence or upon the conferral of a pardon, parole or probation, the person may make application; confinement outside the state shall be considered as residence in the state if a person was convicted and sentenced from a court in Alaska; revocation of parole or probation shall be cause for immediate disqualification until release from confinement is again effected;

(4) leaves the state of his own volition and remains absent from the state for a continuous period of more than 180 days.

Sec. 47.45.080. ACCRUAL OF BONUSES. No recipient may, for any reason, receive an accrual of bonuses in excess of two monthly payments. No interest may be paid on accrued bonuses. Upon the death of a recipient the commissioner of administration shall pay to the beneficiary of the recipient any accrued bonuses not to exceed two monthly payments.

Sec. 47.45.090. ALASKA LONGEVITY BONUS FUND. (a) There is the Alaska longevity bonus fund created for the purpose of paying the monthly bonuses provided for in this chapter. The fund consists of all money made available by appropriations of the state legislature, and from other appropriated funds, all contributions from whatever source, and income and interest derived from the investment of money.

(b) The commissioner of administration is the administrator of the fund.

Sec. 47.45.100. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ADMINISTRATOR. The commissioner of administration shall

(1) promulgate regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter;

(2) make expenditures from the fund necessary to administer this chapter;

(3) establish and maintain an adequate system of accounts for the fund;

(4) publish annually a report showing the financial condition of the fund.

Sec. 47.45.110. CUSTODY OF FUNDS. The commissioner of revenue is the treasurer of the system and has powers and duties for this purpose including but not limited to the following:

(1) to act as official custodian of the cash and securities belonging to the fund;

(2) to receive all items of cash belonging to the fund.

Sec. 47.45.120. EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION AND PROCESS. Bonuses received under this chapter are exempt from all state and political subdivision taxes except sales and use taxes and are not subject to execution, attachment, garnishment or other process. No bonus received under this chapter may be exempt from a federal tax requirement.

Sec. 47.45.130. DEATH OR CESSATION OF RESIDENCY. The commissioner of administration shall establish procedures to stop a bonus when a recipient under this chapter no longer qualifies. When a recipient dies or discontinues his residency in the state his qualification for a bonus shall stop at the time of his last approved monthly application.

Sec. 47.45.140. PENALTY FOR FALSE STATEMENTS. A person who willfully or knowingly makes a false statement, or falsifies or permits to be falsified any record required by this chapter, is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, is punishable by a fine of not more than \$500, or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or by both, forfeits all rights under this chapter, and shall make adequate restitution for any bonuses illegally received.

Sec. 47.45.150. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter

(1) "bonus" means a monthly Alaska longevity bonus payment made to a person or his beneficiary who qualifies under this chapter;

(2) "domicile" means the place with which a person has a settled connection for determination of his civil status or other legal purposes because it is actually or legally his permanent and principal home.

Sec. 47.45.160. APPLICABILITY OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT. The Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62) does not apply to this chapter.

Sec. 47.45.170. PURPOSE. The sole purpose of this chapter is to offer and provide all law-abiding Alaskans capable of managing their own affairs who have maintained a domicile in the state for at least 25 years and have reached a retirement age of 65, an incentive to continue uninterrupted residency in the state. Under no circumstances shall this chapter be considered a form, type, or manner, of public relief. Bonuses made under this chapter are not predicated on need even though they may appear to provide supplemental income to some qualified persons who would otherwise be forced to become responsibilities of the state. The legislature further finds and states that this legislation recognizes the economic hardships suffered by many elderly Alaskans, Alaskans who through their tenacity and perseverance molded Alaska as we know it through skillful application of their talents. These pioneers are the same Alaskans, who in the prime of their life were in effect treated as second-class citizens by the federal government, who paid much of their hard-earned income to a government in which they did not have the right to participate through the power of the ballot. The legislature also is aware of the fact that many of

these pioneers have been forced to live out their retirement years in areas far away from the land they loved and nurtured and thereby also suffering in many cases, the loss of familial relationship with their own kin, an experience that is sad and frustrating to them as well as depriving new generations of Alaskans the benefit of their wisdom and experience. This legislation hopefully will provide our pioneers with the economic means to remain in and continue to serve their state and to enjoy the opportunity of aiding the new Alaskan in making this state truly "The Great Land".

* Sec. 2. AS 01.10.030 does not apply to this Act. If any provision of this Act, or the application of a provision of this Act to any person or circumstance is held invalid, this entire Act shall be considered invalid.

* Sec. 3. This Act takes effect January 1, 1973.



Division of Public Assistance

We provide opportunities for Alaskans in need to achieve an improved quality of life.

APPLICATION FOR SERVICES

For Office Use Only

D.O. Date Received _____

Fee Agent Date Received _____

Fee Agent Signature _____

Expedited FS? Yes No

WHAT KIND OF HELP DO YOU NEED? PLEASE CHECK

The Division of Public Assistance delivers services through the following programs:

Temporary Assistance

Food Stamps

General Relief Assistance:

rent or utilities

burial expenses

Medicaid

Chronic & Acute Medical Assistance

Adult Public Assistance:

assistance for the blind or disabled

assistance for the elderly

Other Services: finding work

child care

child support

prenatal care

other _____

For Heating Assistance, complete the Heating Assistance Program application.

You may file a "Request for Service" now by completing this application page and giving it to your local Public Assistance Office or Fee Agent. If eligible, Public Assistance benefits start the date we received your "Request for Service."

Your application will be denied if we do not receive a completed application and if you do not have an interview within 30 days.

PLEASE PRINT

Name		Other Names You Have Used	
Home Address / Directions to Your Home		City	State Zip
Mailing Address		City	State Zip
SIGN HERE	Date	Home Phone Number	Message Phone

Certain applicants who are found eligible may be entitled to get food stamps within seven days. Please answer these questions so we can see if you qualify for expedited service.

- Is Cash and money in bank \$100 or less? Yes No
- Is your household's monthly gross income less than \$150? Yes No
- Is your household's monthly rent/mortgage and utility payments more than your combined monthly gross income and liquid assets? Yes No

Provided by Rosalee Walker

NOTE: If more space is needed, please attach another piece of paper.

INFORMATION ABOUT YOU AND THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE WITH YOU

Name	Relationship to you. If not related write NR	Social Security Number	Citizenship Status – Check One			Sex: Male (M) Female (F) Unborn (U)	Race (Optional)	EDUCATION
			U.S. Citizen Or National*	Alien in Satisfactory Immigration Status*	Other*			Highest Grade Completed
	Self							

* This information is only required for the people in your household for whom you are seeking public assistance benefits.

PLEASE PRINT

1. Are you or anyone in your household working and/or self-employed? Yes No *If yes, complete the information below.*

person employed	employer	# hours worked	monthly gross income
		/week	\$ /month
		/week	\$ /month
		/week	\$ /month
		/week	\$ /month

2. List any other money or income you or anyone in your household receives (not including income listed above).

owner/source/amount	owner/source/amount	owner/source/amount

3. List how much money your household has in cash or bank/credit union accounts.

cash	bank/credit union	account holder	bank/credit union name	account number	account type
\$	\$				
\$	\$				
\$	\$				
\$	\$				

4. List any land or buildings, fishing permits, stocks, bonds, or other items of value owned by you or anyone in your household.

owner	type of property/asset	value	owner	type of property/asset	value	owner	type of property/asset	value
		\$			\$			\$
		\$			\$			\$

5. List all vehicles owned by you or anyone in your household (cars, trucks, motorcycles, boats, RVs, snowmobiles, etc.).

owner	type of vehicle/model	year	how is vehicle used?	value	amount owed
				\$	\$
				\$	\$
				\$	\$
				\$	\$

6. List how much your family pays each month for rent/mortgage and utilities. <i>Do you pay for your home heating costs?</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	rent/mortgage amount \$	utilities amount \$
7. Does anyone in your household pay for child care or dependent care expenses? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		amount \$
8. Does anyone in your household pay child support? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If yes, who?</i>		amount \$
9. Are you requesting assistance for anyone in your household who is pregnant? <i>If yes, who?</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>When is baby due?</i>
10. Has anyone in your household received public assistance (Temporary Assistance, cash, food stamps, Medicaid) in Alaska or any other state? <i>If yes, who, when and where?</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
11. Is any adult in your household fleeing from prosecution, custody, or confinement for a felony or class A misdemeanor? <i>If yes, who?</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
12. Have you or anyone in your household been convicted of a drug-related felony for an offense that occurred on or after August 22, 1996? <i>If yes, who?</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

If you are applying for medical assistance, answer questions 13-16. If not, continue on the next page.

13. Is anyone in your household eligible for personal or employer-provided health insurance, Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, TRICARE (CHAMPUS), or VA benefits? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If yes, complete the following:</i>		
names of insured persons	insurance company name, address and phone number	policy and group number
14. Does anyone in your household have Medicare coverage? <i>If yes, complete the following:</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
person's name	Medicare claim number	person's name
		Medicare claim number
15. Does anyone in your household have unpaid medical bills from the last three months? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If yes, who?</i> <i>What months?</i>		
16. Does anyone in your household have medical problems or medical costs due to an accident? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If yes, who?</i> <i>Date of the accident</i>		

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

I have asked this person to help with my public assistance case.

Name of Person

Phone/Message Number

ALTERNATE PAYEE

Do not complete this section if you do not want someone else to receive or spend your public assistance benefits.

I want this person to be able to receive and spend my public assistance benefits on behalf of my household.

Which benefits? Cash Food

Name of Person

Phone/Message Number

Address

City

State

Zip

Food Stamps Subsistence Statement--for rural areas only

My household intends to satisfy a substantial portion of our food needs by subsistence hunting and fishing. We do not intend to use these food stamps to buy equipment for commercial hunting and fishing. We understand we may not use the food stamps to buy guns, rifles, traps, fuel, ammunition, or clothing.

Signature of Applicant or Other Adult Household Member

Date

STATEMENT OF TRUTH

Under penalty of perjury or unsworn falsification, I certify that the statements made on the application and during my interview for assistance regarding the persons in my home, income, resources, property, and all other items that pertain to my possible eligibility for benefits are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I have read (or had read to me) and understand my rights and responsibilities as described in the "Your Rights and Responsibilities" page that is included in this application.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Other Adult Applicant

Date

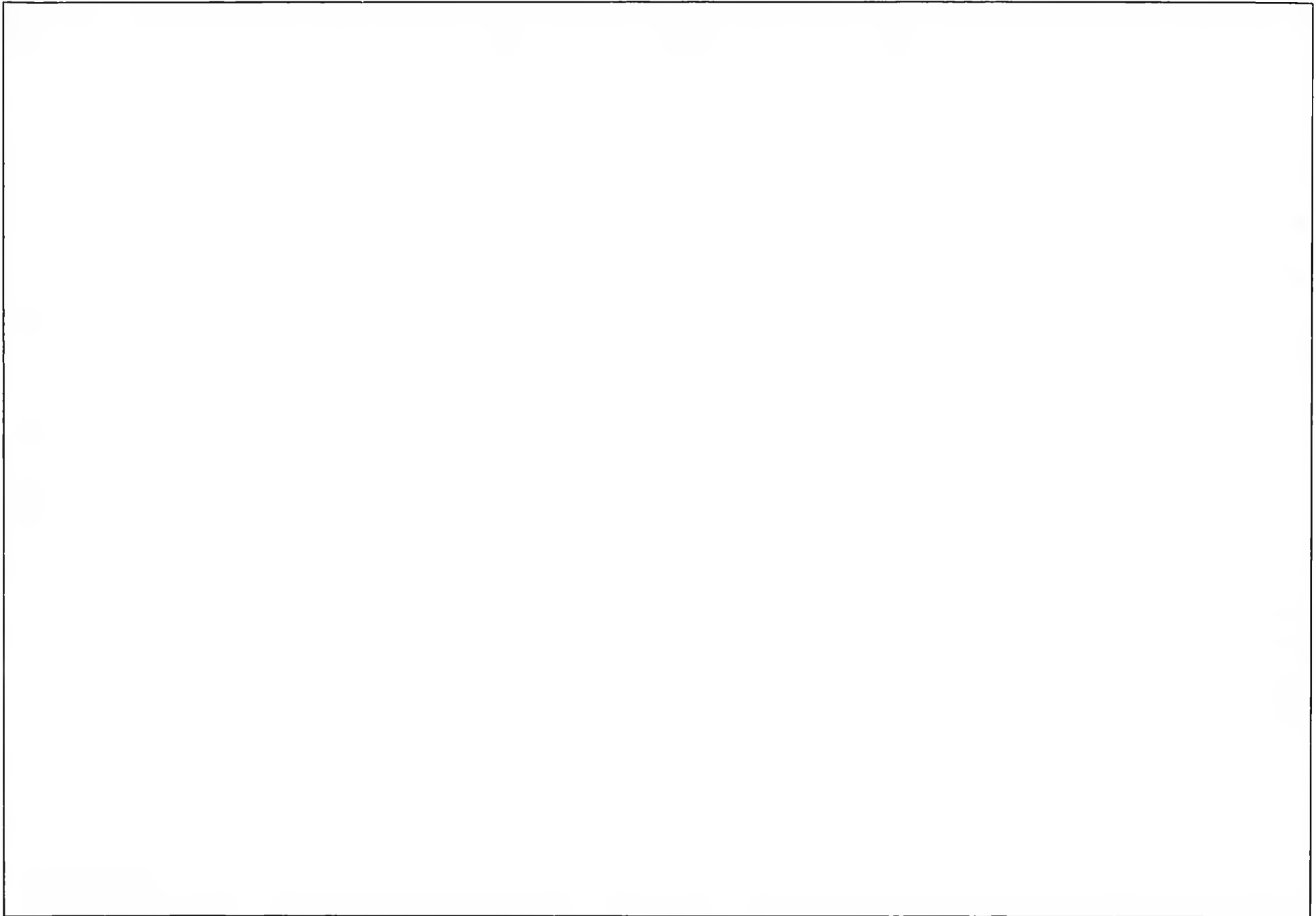
Signature of Fee Agent or Helper

Date

Signature of Witness if Signed with an "X"

Date

NOTES



STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
DIVISION OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

**AUTHORIZATION
FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION**

I authorize the release of information requested by the Department of Health & Social Services or its agents within the Department of Law. The requested information will only be used in the administration of public assistance programs, and will not be released to any other person or agency outside of the Department of Health & Social Services or its agents within the Department of Law. This release of information will be in effect while I am an applicant or recipient of public assistance, and for any later investigations of my eligibility and receipt of benefits.

Persons or organizations that may be contacted include, but are not limited to: the Department of Law, the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Fish and Game, the Department of Labor, the Department of Military Affairs, the Department of Revenue, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, Social Security Administration, local governments, public assistance program contractors and grantees, health care providers, tax assessors, financial institutions, Native corporations, stock brokerage firms, landlords, employers, school authorities, and private individuals.

A COPY OF THIS RELEASE IS AS VALID AS THE ORIGINAL.

Your Signature

Signature of Other Adult Household Member

Printed Name

Printed Name

Social Security Number

Social Security Number

Address

Address

Phone Number

Phone Number

Date

Date

STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
DIVISION OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

REQUEST FOR CONTACT PERSONS AND ORGANIZATIONS

We often need to contact persons or organizations that can verify your situation to determine your eligibility for public assistance. When we contact these persons or organizations, we tell them our name, title, and that we work for the Division of Public Assistance. We are prohibited by law from telling them anything about you or about your public assistance case.

The information we most often need to verify is where you live, who lives with you, and your household's income and resources. We may also ask for information about absent parents for Temporary Assistance and Medicaid applicants.

Please provide the information requested below:

NAME OF SOMEONE WHO KNOWS YOU WELL _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

NAME OF SOMEONE WHO KNOWS YOU WELL _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

NAME OF LANDLORD _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

FINANCIAL INSTITUTION (BANK, CREDIT UNION) _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

EMPLOYER _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

YOUR RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

You have the right to discuss any action taken on your application or case with your caseworker or with your caseworker's supervisor.

FAIR HEARINGS

If you disagree with an action taken by the Division of Public Assistance that affects the benefits or services you receive, you can ask for a fair hearing. You may do this by phone, in person, or in writing by contacting anyone in the Public Assistance office. Usually, you must ask for a fair hearing within 30 days from the date of the agency notice. Food Stamp fair hearing requests must be made within 90 days from the effective date of the agency action.

You may continue to receive Temporary Assistance, Adult Public Assistance, or Medicaid program benefits until a hearing decision is made. Food Stamps can continue until a hearing decision is made or until the certification period ends if you request the hearing before the effective date of the action or within 10 days from the date the agency notice was mailed. At the hearing you may represent yourself or be represented by a legal representative, friend, or relative. You may qualify for free legal advice and representation by contacting the Alaska Legal Services Corporation.

CIVIL RIGHTS

In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. Under the Food Stamp Act and USDA policy, discrimination is prohibited also on the basis of religion or political beliefs. To file a complaint of discrimination, contact USDA or HHS. Write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call (202) 720-5964 (voice and TDD). Write HHS, Director, Office for Civil Rights, Room 506-F, 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20201 or call (202) 619-4403 (voice) or (202) 619-3257 (TDD). USDA and HHS are equal opportunity providers and employers.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990

The Alaska Department of Health & Social Services, Division of Public Assistance complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you have questions, contact the Division's Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator at (907) 465-3347.

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS

You must provide or apply for a social security number for yourself and each household member for whom you are seeking benefits from the Alaska Temporary Assistance, Food Stamp, or Medicaid programs (42 CFR 435.910).

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

The collection of this information, including the social security number of each household member, is authorized under the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended, 7 USC 2011-2036. The information will be used to determine whether your household is eligible to participate in the Food Stamp Program. We will verify this information through computer matching programs. This information will also be used to monitor compliance with program regulations and for program management. The information may be disclosed to other Federal and State agencies for official examination, and to law enforcement officials for the purpose of apprehending persons fleeing to avoid the law. If a food stamp claim arises against your household, the information on this application, including all social security numbers, may be referred to Federal and State agencies, as well as private claims collection agencies, for claims collection action. Providing the requested information, including the social security number of each household member, is voluntary. However, failure to provide this information will result in the denial of Food Stamp benefits to your household.

HOME VISITS

A Division of Public Assistance worker may visit your home and may contact other people to verify your eligibility for assistance.

CHANGE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD CIRCUMSTANCES

You are primarily responsible for providing proof of your household situation. **You must report changes within 10 days.** You may do this by contacting the Public Assistance office by phone, in person or in writing. You are required to report:

- Changes in employment - starting or stopping a job, change in wage rate, change from part-time to full-time or full-time to part-time
- Changes in the source of unearned income or in the amount of total unearned income more than \$25 a month
- Changes in your household's expenses including shelter, dependent care, medical and child support paid (*you must report and verify changes in household expenses before we can use them to figure your benefit amount*)
- When someone moves into or out of your home (*report within 5 days when a child leaves your home, if you get Temporary Assistance*)
- If you move or get a new mailing address
- If your household gets a vehicle
- If your household has a total of \$2000 or more in cash and money in bank accounts
- Changes in medical insurance, if your household gets medical assistance

WORK REQUIREMENTS

To receive Temporary Assistance or Food Stamp benefits, you may have to participate in work activities. Temporary Assistance participants must prepare a family self-sufficiency plan that lists steps you will take to become financially independent. You must participate in approved work activities unless you qualify for an exemption. If you are an unmarried minor parent, to receive Temporary Assistance you must live with a parent or in another approved living arrangement and attend school or training. If you do not fulfill these work requirements or minor parent requirements your benefits may be reduced or ended.

FRAUD PENALTY WARNINGS

You may be prosecuted if you knowingly give false, incorrect, or incomplete information to get or try to get public assistance benefits you are not eligible for, or to help someone else get benefits for which they are not eligible. You must repay any benefit you wrongly receive.

If you misrepresent your residence or identity to receive multiple benefits you can be barred from receiving Temporary Assistance and Food Stamps for 10 years.

Under Temporary Assistance program rules, if you are convicted of fraud in court or an administrative hearing, you may not be able to get benefits for 6 months for the first time, 12 months for the second time, and permanently for the third time. Other penalties may also apply.

There are penalties for kickbacks, bribes, or rebates in furnishing Medicaid benefits. Penalties include fines up to \$25,000 and imprisonment for up to five years. Conviction of an offense could cause loss of Medicaid benefits for up to one year.

Under Food Stamp rules if you are convicted of fraud or otherwise found to have intentionally broken the rules, you will be disqualified from the Food Stamp Program for one year for a first offense, two years for a second and permanently for a third. You may also be fined up to \$250,000, imprisoned up to 20 years, or both. You may not use Food Stamps to buy items such as alcohol or tobacco. You may not sell or trade Food Stamp benefits, or use someone else's Food Stamp benefits. If you are convicted of using Food Stamp benefits to get drugs, you will be disqualified from the program for two years for a first offense and permanently for a second offense. If convicted of trading or selling Food Stamps worth more than \$500, or trading Food Stamp benefits for firearms, ammunition, or explosives, you will be permanently disqualified from the Food Stamp Program. Individuals convicted of drug-related felonies are barred from the Food Stamp Program.

CHILD SUPPORT INFORMATION AND COOPERATION

Alaska must collect child support and medical support from any parent who has the duty to pay support to a Temporary Assistance or Medicaid recipient. This includes any money owed to you at the time you apply, as well as current and future child support payments.

Any child support payments given or paid to you while receiving Temporary Assistance benefits must be reported and turned over to the State immediately. If you wish to change a child support order, you must obtain a new court order or get permission from CSED.

Note: If you believe you have a good reason not to cooperate with CSED for either the Temporary Assistance or Medical Assistance programs, you must tell your caseworker immediately. You may be asked to provide information to support your reason.

When you apply for Temporary Assistance you must:

- Sign over to the State your right to receive and keep child support payments due to you or to a child on Temporary Assistance.
- Cooperate with the Child Support Enforcement Division (CSED) by providing information to establish paternity, help locate an absent parent, and enforce a child support obligation.

When you apply for Medicaid or Chronic & Acute Medical Assistance for you or your minor children you must:

- Assign to the State your right to any medical support or other payment for medical care.
- Agree to cooperate with the State in establishing paternity.
- Cooperate with the State in obtaining any available third party payments such as an insurance payment or court settlement.

MEDICAL RECORDS RELEASE

When you sign the application for assistance and use Medicaid or Chronic & Acute Medical Assistance coupons, you consent to release medical records and information about you and other people on whose behalf you are applying to the Division. Upon request, any person who has medical records and information or the custody of such records shall release those records to the Division or its designee.

MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT

If the State of Alaska makes payment for services caused by injury or illness, you must agree to include all payments made by the State in any legal claim made against a third party and to notify the Division of Medical Assistance of that claim. If you receive an insurance or court settlement you must repay the State for the medical benefits provided as a result of the incident for which you are receiving the settlement. If married, but signing alone, you are acknowledging that benefits are for you, your spouse, or covered dependents. You and your spouse are both bound by this agreement.

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March 5, 2003

The Honorable Gene Therriault
President of the Senate
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 107
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear President Therriault:

Under the authority of art. III, sec 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill that would eliminate the Alaska Longevity Bonus Program.

In 1972 Alaska initiated a program to reward our long-term residents (seniors) for their contributions and provide them with an incentive to remain in Alaska for their retirement years. It was originally intended to help those Alaskans who had been residents for 25 years and as stated in its original passage, was intended for those seniors who had "molded Alaska as we know it through skillful application of their talents."

Since that time, the Courts ruled that the 25 year residency requirement was unconstitutional. The new program instituted was expanded to all seniors residing in the state for one year. By 1993, the cost to the state was up to \$65 million a year. The legislature, recognizing that the cost would continue to escalate with the rapid growth of Alaska's senior population, implemented a phase out of the program.

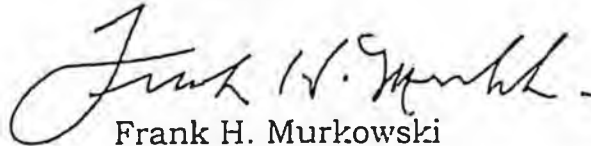
The judiciary eliminated the longevity program for Alaska's pioneers. The bill I transmit today ends its successor, eliminating a program that has outlived its original purpose and no longer offers special consideration to those pioneers so deserving of our thanks.

The Honorable Gene Merriault
March 5, 2003
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Alaska will continue to provide assistance and "safety net" programs for senior citizens. Some are directed toward all seniors such as an exemption from Hunting and fishing fees, the senior citizen property tax exemption and Pioneers' Homes. Many are targeted at seniors with limited means, including, adult public assistance, Medicaid assistance, personal care attendant services, nursing home services, home and community based waiver services, senior housing assistance, nutrition programs, and senior training and employment programs.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Frank H. Murkowski".

Frank H. Murkowski
Governor

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT First Committee of Referral

DATE: 3/6/03

FURTHER: Finance

Date of 5-Day Notice: 3/18/03
(in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED IN TO OFFICE: 4/4/03

State Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 117

SB 117 ELIMINATING LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM

"An Act eliminating the longevity bonus program and making related conforming changes; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends:

Senate Bill:

be replaced with _____ CS _____ (_____)

same title

adopt previous _____ CS _____ (_____)

new title

House Bill:

attached amendment(s)

same title

technical title

new: SCR # _____

adopt Letter of Intent by _____ Committee

further referral to _____ Committee

NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Zero	FN#
DOA	3/5/03	✓		1

Department	Date	Fiscal	Zero	FN#

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	DO PASS	DO NOT PASS	NO REC	AMEND
<i>[Signature]</i>			✓	
<i>[Signature]</i>				
<i>[Signature]</i>		✓		
CHAIR: <i>[Signature]</i>				

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G. Stevens

- Juneau -

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

SIGN-IN

SB 117-ELIMINATING LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM

NAME: Lailyn Swanson Subject/Bill No: CS SB117
 Co./Dept./Title: Juneau Commission on Aging Phone: 586-5000
 Address: 415 Walloughly Ave. Zip: 99801
 Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: Doris Robbins Subject/Bill No: CS SB 117
 Co./Dept./Title: Retired Public Employee of AK Phone: 907-364-3267
 Address: PO Box 21011 Juneau Zip: 99802
 Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: Myrna Gardner Subject/Bill No: SB117
 Co./Dept./Title: Self Phone: 463-7386
 Address: Box 33391 Juneau Zip: 99803
 Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: Jessie L. Ferrell Subject/Bill No: CS SB 117
 Co./Dept./Title: Retired Phone: 907-586-3652
 Address: 630 Hemlock, Juneau, AK Zip: 99801-1437
 Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: _____ Subject/Bill No: _____

Co./Dept./Title: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: Ray Hunt & Ralph Hunt Subject/Bill No: SB117

Co./Dept./Title: Retired Phone: 364-2701

Address: Edgewater #205
2616 Douglas Spring Junction Zip: 99801

Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: Jim Anolst Subject/Bill No: SB117

Co./Dept./Title: 2727 GOLF Phone: _____

Address: ~~POB 20011 Junction~~ Zip: _____

Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: Mary J Lewis Subject/Bill No: SB117

Co./Dept./Title: Retired Fed. Employee Phone: 586-1950

Address: POB 20011 Junction 99801 Zip: _____

Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: Shirley Kubgatrich Subject/Bill No: CSSB117

Co./Dept./Title: Self Phone: 907-386-1906

Address: 715 W 11th Junction, Ak. Zip: 99801

Do you wish to testify? Yes No Respond To Questions

NAME: Fred G Baxter Subject/Bill No: CSSB 117
Co./Dept./Title: retired Phone: 364-2402
Address: P.O. Box 20762 Juneau Zip: 99802
Do you wish to testify? ___ Yes No ___ Respond To Questions

NAME: Judea Baxter Subject/Bill No: CSSB 117
Co./Dept./Title: retired Phone: _____
Address: P.O. Box 20762 Juneau Zip: 99800
Do you wish to testify? ___ Yes No ___ Respond To Questions

✓ NAME: Russell T. Walker Subject/Bill No: CSS 117
Co./Dept./Title: AARP / OPA & G Phone: 586-2873
Address: 1220 Glacier Ave Juneau Zip: 99801
Do you wish to testify? Yes ___ No ___ Respond To Questions

✓ NAME: Mike Rose Subject/Bill No: CSS 117
Co./Dept./Title: Alaska Pioneers Vets Press Phone: 6-1661
Address: 1669 EVERGREEN Zip: 99801
Do you wish to testify? Yes ___ No ___ Respond To Questions

✓ NAME: Marie Darlin Subject/Bill No: SB 117
Co./Dept./Title: AARP Phone: 6-3637
Address: _____ Zip: _____
Do you wish to testify? Yes ___ No ___ Respond To Questions

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

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SB 117-ELIMINATING LONGEVITY BONUS PROGRAM

NAME: Robert L & Violet L Dyer Subject/Bill No: _____
 Co./Dept./Title: _____ Phone: 566-2939
 Address: Box 20907 Jensen Zip: 99802
 Do you wish to testify? ___ Yes No ___ Respond To Questions

NAME: Jim Carroll Subject/Bill No: _____
~~Maria ...~~
 Co./Dept./Title: Junco Ret Talu Phone: 6-6115
 Address: 2020 Glacier Hwy Zip: 99801
 Do you wish to testify? ___ Yes No ___ Respond To Questions

✓ NAME: PAT LUBY Subject/Bill No: SB 117
 Co./Dept./Title: AARP Phone: 907-262-3304
 Address: 3601 C ST #1420, A, A 99503 Zip: _____
 Do you wish to testify? Yes ___ No ___ Respond To Questions

✓ NAME: JOE SUNDHEIM Subject/Bill No: SB 117
 Co./Dept./Title: _____ Phone: 463-2624
 Address: 324 WILLOWSBY Zip: 99801
 Do you wish to testify? Yes ___ No ___ Respond To Questions