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SB 4001
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Supplemental approp.

25-653056/A

SB 4002
Rules/Gov.

Resource Rebate program

25-654057/A

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\$ FN#2 HES
\$ FN#3 REV

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SB 4003
Rules/Gov

Supp approp. Rebate
AEA
REV
HES

25-654059/A

SB 4004
Rules/Gov

Suspend Motor Fuel Tax

25-654060/A

\$ FN#1 REV

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July 29, 2008

The Honorable Bert Stedman
Co-Chair, Senate Finance Committee
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 516
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

The Honorable Lyman Hoffman
Co-Chair, Senate Finance Committee
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 518
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

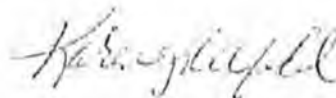
Dear Senator Stedman and Senator Hoffman:

This letter is in response to questions posed by the Senate Finance Committee during the hearing on Senate Bill 4001, AGIA related appropriations, on July 22, 2008. Specifically, the committee asked that I provide a summary of the estimated expenditures by fiscal year and the priority for funding for each of the requests.

Enclosed is a spreadsheet that estimates expenditures by fiscal year for each of the requested appropriations. The administration's interest in requesting capital appropriations is to have the resources necessary to advance the gas pipeline. The requests include the reimbursements required through the partnership with the successful AGIA licensee, managing the implementation of the gas pipeline, training Alaskans for gas pipeline jobs, and building the infrastructure that will support the construction of the gas pipeline. Lack of resources could result in delays to the projects which would have a negative impact on the timely construction of the gas pipeline.

Thank you for your consideration of the appropriations in SB 4001. Please let me know if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,



Karen J. Rehfeld
Director

Enclosure

cc: The Honorable Mike Chenault, Co-Chair, House Finance Committee
The Honorable Kevin Meyer, Co-Chair, House Finance Committee
Kelly Goode, Legislative Director, Office of the Governor

AGIA Appropriation Requests	Funding Priority	Governor's FY09 Full Request	Estimated Expenditures by Fiscal Year (in thousands)					6-year total
			FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	
HB/SB 4001 Revenue - AGIA Reimbursement Fund	1	\$500,000.0	\$500,000.0					\$500,000.0
Natural Resources - Gas Pipeline Implementation	2	\$16,000.0	\$5,550.0	\$3,200.0	\$2,175.0	\$2,175.0	\$1,900.0	\$15,000.0
Revenue - AK Natural Gas Development Authority Gas Pipeline: Spur Line Segment	3	\$25,000.0	\$25,000.0					\$25,000.0
Labor - Gasline Workforce Development	4	\$34,800.00	\$6,960.00	\$6,960.00	\$6,960.00	\$6,960.00	\$6,960.00	\$34,800.00
Transportation - Dalton Highway Reconstruction	5	\$75,400.0	\$75,400.0					\$75,400.0
Transportation - Preconstruction-Dalton, Elliott, Richardson, Alaska & Haines Highways	6	\$31,000.0	\$31,000.0					\$31,000.0
Transportation - Haines Highway Reconstruction/Chilkat River Bridge Replacement	7	\$23,500.0	\$23,500.0					\$23,500.0
Education - Gasline Workforce Scholarship Program	8	\$4,500.0	\$900.0	\$900.0	\$900.0	\$900.0	\$900.0	\$4,500.0
University of Alaska - Gasline Workforce Equipment	9	\$1,072.0	\$1,072.0					\$1,072.00
Alaska Works Partnership Pipeline Training Center Equipment	10	\$2,287.5	\$2,287.5					\$2,287.50
TOTAL HB/SB 4001		\$712,559.5	\$671,669.5	\$11,060.0	\$10,035.0	\$10,035.0	\$9,760.0	\$712,559.5

pertains to all 4 bills 4001-4004

7/23/08

Alaska Department of Revenue
Preliminary FY 2008 Revenues as of 7/23/2008
All amounts in \$ Millions

General Purpose Unrestricted Revenues

Oil and Gas

Property Taxes	\$	81.5
Corporate Income Taxes		605.8
Production Taxes		5,939.9
<i>Surcharges</i>		10.1
Royalties (Including Bonuses and Interest)		2,446.7
Subtotal	\$	9,073.9

Non- Oil and Gas

Taxes	\$	442.5
Charges for Services		26.7
Fines and Forfeitures		9.3
Licenses and Permits		40.6
Rents and Royalties		16.6
Other		24.9
Investment		235.6
Subtotal	\$	796.2

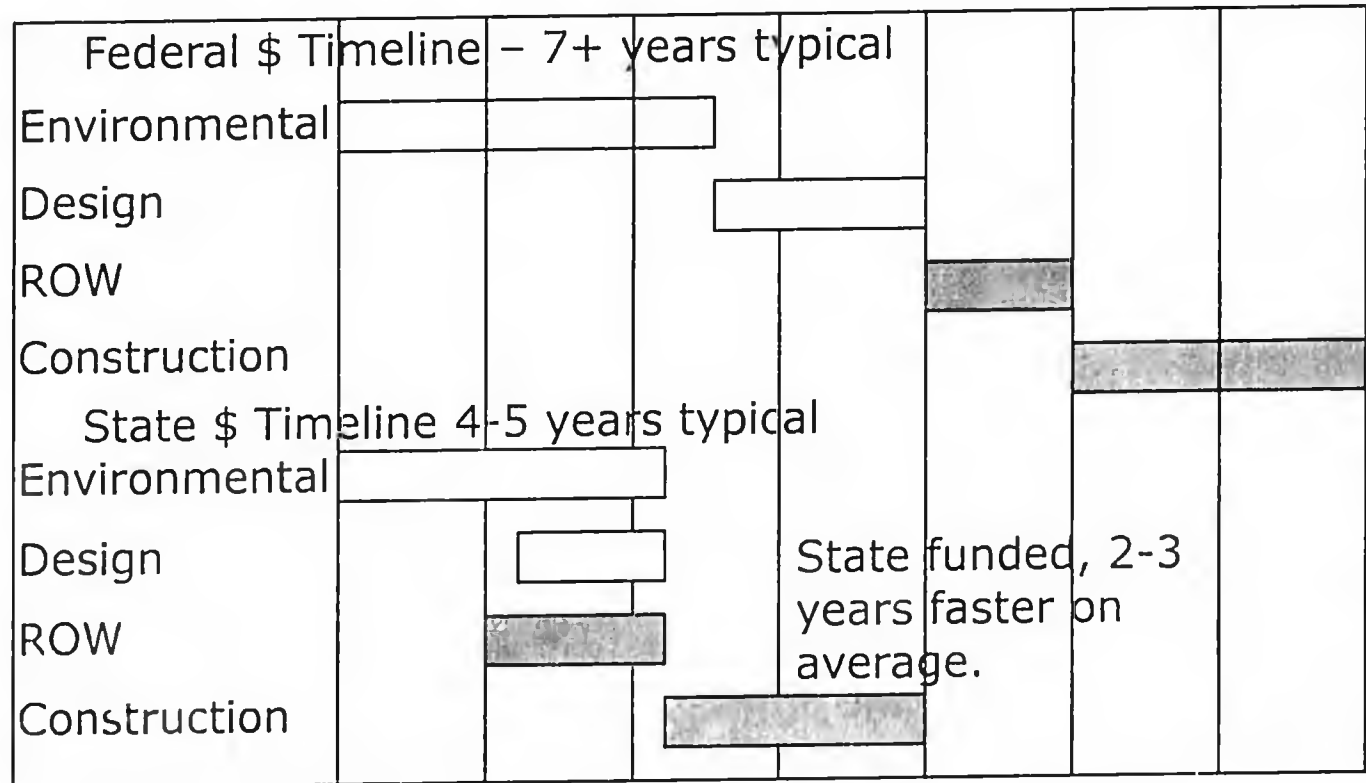
Total General Purpose Unrestricted **\$ 9,870.1**

General Purpose Unrestricted revenue for FY 2008 will be in the range of \$9.7 billion - \$10.1 billion.

NOTE: Amounts are preliminary because certain adjustments to data in the Alaska State Accounting System (AKSAS) have yet to be made. These include certain accruals that may increase or decrease the actual revenue reported in the Fall 2008 Revenue Sources Book.

STATE FUNDS ADVANTAGES

Years



**2008 SENATE FINANCE
COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE**

DATE: 7/23/08

Circle Meeting Chair: Stedman Hoffman

Hoffman

MEMBER

PRESENT

ABSENT

XFD	SEN. DYSON	X	
XKE	SEN. ELTON	X	
XJT	SEN. THOMAS	X	
XBS	SEN. STEDMAN	X	
XLH	SEN. HOFFMAN		X
XDO	SEN. OLSON	<i>on line</i>	
XCH	SEN. HUGGINS	X	

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2008 SENATE FINANCE
COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE

DATE: 7-22-08

Circle Meeting Chair: Stedman Hoffman

Hoffman

MEMBER

PRESENT

ABSENT

XFD	SEN. DYSON	X	
XKE	SEN. ELTON	X	
XJT	SEN. THOMAS		
XBS	SEN. STEDMAN	X	
XLH	SEN. HOFFMAN		
XDO	SEN. OLSON		
XCH	SEN. HUGGINS	X	

SB

40002

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FILE

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(11)

Date Referred to Committee: August 4, 2008

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: 8/5/08

The FINANCE Committee considered:

CSSB 4002(FIN) am

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 4002(FIN) am

ENERGY ASSISTANCE

"An Act relating to grants from the renewable energy grant fund; amending the bulk fuel bridge loan fund and the bulk fuel revolving loan fund; amending the power cost equalization program, repealing the exclusion from eligibility for power cost equalization for certain power projects that take their power from hydroelectric facilities, and amending the definition of 'eligible electric utility' as it applies to the power cost equalization program and the grant program for small power projects for utility improvements; relating to establishing a gas pipeline development fund in the Department of Revenue; establishing the Alaska resource rebate program and relating to that program; relating to heating assistance; and providing for an effective date."

Recommends it be replaced with HCS or CS for SB 4002 (FIN)
 For Senate Bills with new title: Technical Title New Title: HCR _____ | Same Title New Title

- attach amendments
- add new referral to _____ Committee
- Letter of Intent _____ Committee

List of Abbrev for Depts.:
 ADM
 CED
 COR
 CRT
 EED
 DEC
 DFG
 GOV
 HSS
 LWF
 LAW
 LEG
 MVA
 DNR
 DPS
 REV
 DOT
 UA

NEW FISCAL NOTES				
*Assigned by Chief Clerk's Office				
List by Dept(s):	*FN#	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero
(2) REV		✓		
(2) HSS		✓		
(3) CED		✓		

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTES				
List by Dept(s):	FN#	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero

Signing with recommendations	Printed Last Name	DP	DNP	NR	AM
<i>Mind C. Howell</i>	Howell			*	
<i>Mary Nelson</i>	NELSON				✓
<i>James Crawford</i>	CRAWFORD				✓
<i>John Foster</i>	Foster	✓			
<i>Thomas Kelly</i>	KELLY			✓	
<i>Bill Stortz</i>	STORTZ			X	
<i>Gara</i>	Gara				X
Chair: <i>Michelle Chaves</i>	Chaves	✓			
Chair: <i>K. Meyer</i>	Meyer	X			

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
Bill Version: HCSCSB4002(FIN)
() Publish Date: _____

Identifier (file name): SCSSB4002(FIN)-DOR-TAX-8-4 Dept. Affected: Revenue 04
Title: PCE:ELIGIB;AMTS;ELIGIBLE UTILITY DEFINED RDU: Taxation and Treasury
Component: Tax Division
Sponsor: RULES
Requester: House Finance Component Number: 2476

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation Required	Information						
		FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services								
Travel								
Contractual								
Supplies								
Equipment								
Land & Structures								
Grants & Claims								
Miscellaneous								
TOTAL OPERATING	*	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES								
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()		(33,250.0)	(6,650.0)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF							
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other Interagency Receipts							
TOTAL	*	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: _____

POSITIONS

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

*See attached

Prepared by: Johanna Bales
Division: Tax
Approved by: Jerry Burnett
Department of Revenue

Phone 269-6628
Date/Time 8/5/08 1:13 PM
Date 8/5/2008

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HCSCSSB4002(FIN)

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

Bill Language: This bill would suspend the Motor Fuel tax for the period September 1, 2008 through August 1, 2009

Revenues: The Department of Revenue expects that suspending the Motor Fuel Tax would result in the loss of \$39.8 million in general fund unrestricted revenues, and \$0.15 million in revenue which is customarily shared with municipalities, for a total of \$39.9 million in lost revenues. The suspension period covers 10 months of fiscal year 2009 and two months of fiscal year 2010. As such, the Department expects a reduction in revenue in FY 2009 of \$33,250,000 and \$6,650,000 in FY 2010.

The Department of Revenue's current forecast for Motor Fuel Tax revenues for FY2009 is \$39.9 million. The breakdown of revenues by fuel type is as follows:

Highway	\$29.6 million
Marine	\$ 5.6 million
Aviation Gas	\$ 0.7 million
Aviation Jet Fuel	\$ 4.1 million
Subtotal	\$40.0 million
Municipal Share	-\$ 0.1 million
Total	\$39.9 million

Expenditures: The Department of Revenue will not realize any reduction of expenditures during this tax suspension.

Although there will be no tax liabilities incurred during the tax suspension, this bill require taxpayers to continue to file reports which will allow the Department to collect data which we are required to provide to the Federal Highway Administration in order to secure Federal funding for the Alaska Department of Transportation. The Department of Revenue will therefore need to continue to collect and process Motor Fuel Tax forms.

The Tax Division shares 60% of the Aviation Gas revenues collected at municipally owned or operated airports with the municipality. This municipal share has held steady at \$0.15 million in the recent past. If it were desired to hold the municipalities harmless during this tax suspension, an appropriation of \$150,000 would be required to match the forecast amount.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
 Bill Version: HCSCSSB4002(FIN)
 () Publish Date: _____

Identifier (file name): HCSCSSB4002(FIN)-DOR-RRP-8-5-08 Dept. Affected: 04 Revenue
 Title: PCE:ELIGIB;AMTS;ELIGIBLE UTILITY DEFINED RDU: Taxation and Treasury
 Component: Resource Rebate
 Sponsor: _____ Rules: _____
 Requester: House Finance Component Number: 2930

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation Required	Information					
		FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
OPERATING EXPENDITURES							
Personal Services							
Travel							
Contractual		100.0	50.0				
Supplies							
Equipment							
Land & Structures							
Grants & Claims		744,480.0					
TOTAL OPERATING		0.0	744,580.0	50.0	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							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF		744,580.0	50.0				
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
TOTAL		744,580.0	50.0				

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: _____

POSITIONS

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This bill adds \$1,200.00 to each 2008 PFD from the general fund. It also adds a one time \$1,200.00 payment for approximately 400 disabled veterans who have not previously applied for a 2008 PFD. In addition to the small impact of processing 400 new applications, we expect additional costs to the PFD Division in terms of additional public contacts and appeals of eligibility determinations. The increased size of the dividend will result in more appeals and more time spent on appeals. The \$100,000 in FY 09 and \$50,000 in FY 10 are based on increased appeal costs from the Office of Administrative Hearings beyond what can be absorbed in the current PFD Division budget for both FY 09 and FY 10. Funding for this program is in a separate appropriations bill. Estimated costs based on 620,000 eligible PFD applicants and 400 disabled veterans, actual number will not be determined until mid-September.

Prepared by: Loretta Withington
 Division: Admin Services
 Approved by: Jerry Burnett
 Department of Revenue

Phone 465-2312
 Date/Time 8/5/08 12:00 AM
 Date 8/5/2008

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
 Bill Version: HCS CS SB 4002 FIN
 () Publish Date: _____
 Dept. Affected: Health & Social Services
 RDU Public Assistance
 Component PFD Hold Harmless

ID(File name) SB4002HCSCS(FIN)-DHSS-PFDHH-08-05-08
 Title ALASKA RESOURCE REBATE PROGRAM

Component No. 225

Sponsor RULES BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR
 Requester HOUSE FINANCE

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation		Information				
	Required						
	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
OPERATING EXPENDITURES							
Personal Services							
Travel							
Contractual							
Supplies							
Equipment							
Land & Structures							
Grants & Claims	400.0						
Miscellaneous							
TOTAL OPERATING	400.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES							
CHANGE IN REVENUES (0)							

FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
1002 Federal Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other(PFD Hold Harmless)	400.0						
Other(Specify Type-do not abbreviate)							
TOTAL	400.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: _____

POSITIONS

	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

HCS CS SB 4002 (FIN) increases the 2008 Permanent Fund Dividend by \$1,200 to provide residents of the state with an Alaska resource rebate. The increase of \$1,200 to the total amount of the dividend will be funded by transfers from the general fund to the dividend fund.

The Food Stamp, Social Security Supplemental Income (SSI), and Adult Public Assistance (APA) programs count the Permanent Fund Dividend (PFD) as income in determining whether a person or household qualifies for benefits. PFD money that is not spent and is kept after the month of receipt is also considered an available asset (cash on hand or money in the bank) for program participants.

Prepared by: Elle Fitzgarrald, Director
 Division Public Assistance
 Approved by: William H. Hogan, Commissioner
 Agency Department of Health and Social Services

Phone 465-5847
 Date/Time 08/05/2008
 Date 08/05/2008

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO: HCS CS SB 4002 FIN

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

The Permanent Fund Dividend Hold Harmless program established in AS 43.32.075 requires that public assistance benefits which are lost as the result of counting the PFD as income or as an asset must be replaced by issuing a PFD Hold Harmless (PFD HH) benefit. PFD HH replacement benefits are limited to four months a year.

The department estimates an increment of \$400,000 in PFD HH will be needed in FY 09 to replace Food Stamp benefits that would otherwise be reduced or stopped as a result of households receiving the extra \$1,200 in the PFD.

The department does not expect the \$1,200 increase in the 2008 PFD to affect the amount of PFD HH expenditures needed to replace lost APA and SSI benefits. The amount of the PFD has been so high in recent years that benefits to these program recipients have been replaced with PFD Hold Harmless benefits, even without the additional \$1,200. These appropriations are accounted for in the FY 09 budget. The department also expects that the extra \$1,200 received by program participants will be spent on additional expenses such as increased energy costs.

Assumptions:

In FY09, the department expects that the \$1,200 added to the 2008 PFD will affect 1,000 households. The average PFD HH payment for food stamps is \$400/month. $1,000 \times \$400 = \$400,000$

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
 Bill Version: HCS CS SB 4002 FIN
 () Publish Date: _____
 Dept. Affected: Health & Social Services
 RDU: Public Assistance
 Component: General Relief Assistance

ID(File name) SB4002HCSCS(FIN)-DHSS-GRA-08-05-08
 Title: ALASKA RESOURCE REBATE PROGRAM
 Sponsor: RULES BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR
 Requester: HOUSE FINANCE

Component No. 221

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation		Information				
	Required						
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
Personal Services	76.4						
Travel	10.0						
Contractual	49.5						
Supplies	20.3						
Equipment							
Land & Structures							
Grants & Claims	1,282.3						
Miscellaneous							
TOTAL OPERATING	1,438.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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

	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
1002 Federal Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF	1,438.5						
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other(Specify Type-do not abbreviate)							
Other(Specify Type-do not abbreviate)							
TOTAL	1,438.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: _____

POSITIONS

	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary		2					

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

HCS CS SB (FIN) increases the 2008 Permanent Fund Dividend by \$1,200 to provide residents of the state with an Alaska resource rebate. The bill also allows veterans, spouses or dependents of a living or deceased veteran to apply for the \$1,200 resource rebate payment if they did not apply for a 2008 permanent fund dividend. Veterans' benefits, both pension and medical, that would be lost as a result of counting the rebate must be replaced with Hold Harmless (HH) benefits through the General Relief Assistance program.

Prepared by: Elle Fitzgerald, Director
 Division: Public Assistance
 Approved by: William H. Hogan, Commissioner
 Agency: Department of Health and Social Services

Phone: 465-5847
 Date/Time: 08/05/2008
 Date: 08/05/2008

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO: HCS CS SB 4002 FIN

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

Some veterans benefits are income tested. The Veterans Administration has advised us it will likely treat the resource rebate as income. Pension benefits will be reduced dollar for dollar and prorated over the calendar year. The cost of replacing medical benefits will vary according the veteran's usage of VA medical services. The pension and medical benefits will be replaced through payment of a Hold Harmless benefit.

Cost Assumptions

VA estimates 376 beneficiaries (312 vets and 64 widows and dependents) will be impacted. We estimate the VA hold harmless cost to replace these benefits is \$451.2 (376 x \$1,200).

VA estimates that 497 veterans are receiving assistance with costs of medications, inpatient/outpatient care, and long-term care services. Based on information provided by the VA, the anticipated cost for holding these services harmless is \$831.1

In order to issue these benefits, the Division will need to employ two temporary Project Assistant positions to manage the additional workload associated with determining eligibility and issuing hold harmless benefits, and will need to modify DPA's Eligibility Information System (EIS) to facilitate the issuance of Hold Harmless benefits for veterans whose benefits are reduced due to the resource rebate.

FY09 Administrative Costs for VA benefits: \$156.2

Personal Services (2 positions): \$76.4

Travel (to facilitate employee training and outreach): \$10.0

Contractual (telecommunication, printing, and outreach to inform veterans of the program's availability): \$14.5

Contractual (EIS Computer Programming Modifications): \$35.0

Supplies (equipment and supplies for issuing notices and warrants): \$20.3

All costs for the Alaska Resource Rebate Hold Harmless Program are eliminated in FY 2010 to reflect the sunset of the program June 30, 2009.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
Bill Version: HB 4005
() Publish Date: _____

Identifier (file name): HB4005-CED-CRA-08-03-08 Dept. Affected: FUND CAPITALIZATIONS
Title: PCE ELIGIB,AMTS,ELIGIBLE UTILITY DEFINED RDU: Bulk Fuel Bridge Loan Fund
Component: Bulk Fuel Bridge Loan Fund
Sponsor: House Finance
Requester: House Finance Component Number: 2920

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below

	Appropriation Required	Information					
		FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
OPERATING EXPENDITURES							
Personal Services							
Travel							
Contractual							
Supplies							
Equipment							
Land & Structures							
Grants & Claims							
Misc Cap Fuel Bridge 1208	2,518.0						
TOTAL OPERATING	2,518.0	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							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF	2,518.0						
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other PCE Fund 1089							
TOTAL	2,518.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: _____

POSITIONS

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This legislation amends the statute for the Bulk Fuel Bridge Loan Fund by raising the cap from \$500,000 to \$750,000 on the amount that can be borrowed by communities for fuel purchases. As a result, another \$2.5 million is expected to be needed for loans from this fund. The \$18.0 is the amount expected to be needed for increased on-site travel by the contractor operating the program and is included in the fiscal note for DCRA.

Prepared by: Tara Jolie, Director Phone: 907-269-7959
Division: Division of Community and Regional Affairs Date/Time: _____
Approved by: Amanda Ryder, Director Date: 8/3/2008
Division: Division of Administrative Services

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
Bill Version: SB 4002
() Publish Date: _____

Identifier (file name): SB4002-CED-BULK FUEL FUND CAPS-08-03-08 Dept. Affected: FUND CAPITALIZATIONS
Title: PCE ELIGIB. AMTS. ELIGIBLE UTILITY DEFINED RDU: Bulk Fuel Revolving Loan Fund
Component: Bulk Fuel Revolving Loan Fund
Sponsor: Senate Finance
Requester: Senate Finance Component Number: _____

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	Appropriation Required	Information					
	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
Personal Services							
Travel							
Contractual							
Supplies							
Equipment							
Land & Structures							
Grants & Claims							
Misc Fnd Cap Bulk Fuel 1074	3,461.0						
TOTAL OPERATING	3,461.0	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							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF	3,461.0						
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other PCE Fund 1089							
TOTAL	3,461.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: _____

POSITIONS

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This legislation amends the statute for the Bulk Fuel Revolving Loan Fund (AS 42.45.250(e)) by raising the cap from \$500,000 to \$750,000 for any one borrower. The cap is also raised for a cooperative corporation or an electric cooperative that uses the loan to purchase bulk fuel on behalf of more than one community. This cap may not exceed the lesser of \$750,000 (from \$500,000) multiplied by the number of communities on whose behalf the bulk fuel is to be purchased, or \$1.8 million.

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Division: Alaska Energy Authority Date/Turn: _____
Approved by: Amanda Ryder, Director Date: 8/3/2008
Division: Division of Administrative Services

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
 Bill Version: SB 4002
 () Publish Date: _____

Identifier (file name): SB4002-CED-CRA-08-03-08 Dept. Affected: Commerce
 Title: PCE ELIGIB:AMTS:ELIGIBLE UTILITY DEFINED RDU: Comm Assist & Econ Development
 Component: Community & Regional Affairs
 Sponsor: Senate Finance
 Requester: Senate Finance Component Number: 2703

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below

	Appropriation Required FY 2009	Information					
		FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
OPERATING EXPENDITURES							
Personal Services							
Travel							
Contractual	18.0		18.0	18.0	18.0	18.0	18.0
Supplies							
Equipment							
Land & Structures							
Grants & Claims							
Miscellaneous							
TOTAL OPERATING	18.0	0.0	18.0	18.0	18.0	18.0	18.0
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES							
CHANGE IN REVENUES ()							

FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other Fuel Bridge Fund (1208)	18.0		18.0	18.0	18.0	18.0
TOTAL	18.0	0.0	18.0	18.0	18.0	18.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: _____

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This legislation amends the statute for Bulk Fuel Bridge Loan Fund by raising the cap (from \$500,000 to \$750,000) on the amount that can be borrowed by communities for fuel purchases. Because this program is a lender of last resort, a rise in the cap may increase the possibility that borrowers (i.e., communities) may struggle to repay the loans. When this occurs, the contractor provides on-site assistance to the loan recipient regarding the retail pricing of fuel, sales, or collection on past due retail accounts, or strategies regarding use of government funds for repayment of loans.

While it is difficult to determine exactly how much more the contractor may need to travel, the contractor is reimbursed only for travel that actually occurs.

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 Division: Division of Community and Regional Affairs Date/Turn: _____
 Approved by: Amanda Ryder, Director Date: 8/3/2008
 Division: Division of Administrative Services

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Introduced:

Referred:

A RESOLUTION

1 **Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State**
2 **Legislature, concerning Senate Bill No. 4002, relating to grants from the renewable**
3 **energy grant fund; amending the bulk fuel bridge loan fund and the bulk fuel revolving**
4 **loan fund; amending the power cost equalization program, repealing the exclusion from**
5 **eligibility for power cost equalization for certain power projects that take their power**
6 **from hydroelectric facilities, and amending the definition of "eligible electric utility" as**
7 **it applies to the power cost equalization program and the grant program for small**
8 **power projects for utility improvements; relating to establishing a gas pipeline**
9 **development fund in the Department of Revenue; establishing the Alaska resource**
10 **rebate program and relating to that program; and relating to heating assistance.**

11 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

12 **That under Rule 54, Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, the provisions of**
13 **Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, regarding**

1 changes to the title of a bill, are suspended in consideration of Senate Bill No. 4002, relating
2 to grants from the renewable energy grant fund; amending the bulk fuel bridge loan fund and
3 the bulk fuel revolving loan fund; amending the power cost equalization program, repealing
4 the exclusion from eligibility for power cost equalization for certain power projects that take
5 their power from hydroelectric facilities, and amending the definition of "eligible electric
6 utility" as it applies to the power cost equalization program and the grant program for small
7 power projects for utility improvements; relating to establishing a gas pipeline development
8 fund in the Department of Revenue; establishing the Alaska resource rebate program and
9 relating to that program; and relating to heating assistance.

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CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4005()

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SB 4002

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION

BY

Offered:
Referred:

Sponsor(s): HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act amending the power cost equalization program; authorizing, as a temporary
2 rebate of state resources to certain state residents, payments to assist in meeting heating
3 costs under the federal heating assistance program, limiting payments for heating
4 assistance, and eliminating the authority to make certain provisions of the heating
5 assistance program retroactive to November 1, 2007; relating to Alaska resource
6 rebates, and increasing the amount of the 2008 permanent fund dividend by the amount
7 of the rebate; suspending the motor fuel tax; and providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1, AS 42.45.110(e) is repealed and reenacted to read:

10 (e) The amount of power costs for which equalization is paid to an electric
11 utility is the difference between

12 (1) a minimum power cost calculated as 120 percent of the weighted
13 average retail residential power rate in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau for the

1 previous calendar year, before equalization under (j) of this section for those cities;
2 and

3 (2) an amount that may not exceed, as determined by the commission,
4 one of the following, whichever is lowest:

5 (A) 75 cents a kilowatt hour;

6 (B) actual power costs; or

7 (C) the average rate for each eligible kilowatt hour sold.

8 * Sec. 2. AS 42.45.110(c) is repealed and reenacted to read:

9 (c) The amount of power cost equalization provided for each kilowatt-hour
10 under (b) of this section may not exceed 95 percent of the power costs, or the average
11 rate for each eligible kilowatt-hour sold, whichever is less, as determined by the
12 commission. However,

13 (1) during the state fiscal year that began July 1, 1999, the power costs
14 for which power cost equalization were paid to an electric utility were limited to
15 minimum power costs of more than 12 cents a kilowatt-hour and less than 52.5 cents a
16 kilowatt-hour; and

17 (2) during each following state fiscal year, the commission shall adjust
18 the power costs for which power cost equalization may be paid to an electric utility
19 based on the weighted average retail residential rate in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and
20 Juneau; however, the commission may not adjust the power costs under this paragraph
21 to reduce the amount below the lower limit set out in (1) of this subsection.

22 * Sec. 3. AS 42.45.110 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

23 (j) An electric utility is entitled to receive five cents a kilowatt-hour for actual
24 consumption of not more than 500 kilowatt-hours a month sold to each residential
25 customer. An electric utility whose customers receive power cost equalization under
26 this subsection shall comply with the provisions of AS 42.45.120 and set out in its
27 tariff the rates without the power cost equalization and the amount of power cost
28 equalization for each kilowatt-hour sold. The rate charged to the customer shall be the
29 difference between the two amounts. In this subsection, "electric utility" means a
30 public, cooperative, or other corporation, company, individual, or association of
31 individuals, including the lessees, trustees, or receivers appointed by a court that owns,

1 operates, manages, or controls a plant or system for the furnishing, by generation,
2 transmission, or distribution, of electric service to the public for compensation but
3 does not meet the requirements of AS 42.45.150(2)(B) - (C).

4 (k) The power cost equalization for each kilowatt-hour may be determined for
5 a utility without historical kilowatt-hour sales data by using kilowatt-hours generated.

6 * Sec. 4. AS 42.45.110(j) is repealed June 30, 2011.

7 * Sec. 5. Sections 9 and 11, ch. 31, SLA 2008, are repealed.

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

10 STATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FEDERAL LOW-INCOME HEATING AND
11 ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. (a) This section applies to heating assistance
12 payments authorized to persons under 7 AAC 44, adopted under the authority of
13 AS 47.05.010.

14 (b) Notwithstanding another provision of law, for the period beginning October 1,
15 2008, and ending June 30, 2011, to supplement provisions of the federal low-income heating
16 and energy assistance program provided under 42 U.S.C. 8621 - 8629 (Low-Income Home
17 Energy Assistance Act of 1981), as amended, subject to legislative appropriation of state
18 general funds for the purpose, the Department of Health and Social Services shall increase the
19 amount of a heating assistance payment.

20 (c) Amounts payable under this section shall be calculated by application of the
21 assistance formula set out in 7 AAC 44.080, as those provisions read on the effective date of
22 this section, and shall be made from the appropriation described in (b) of this section. The
23 dollar value of a community heating cost point under 7 AAC 44.080 may not exceed \$170.

24 * Sec. 7. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
25 read:

26 STATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ALASKA HEATING ASSISTANCE
27 PROGRAM. For the period beginning October 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2011, amounts
28 payable under AS 47.25.621 - 47.25.625 shall be calculated by application of the assistance
29 formula set out in 7 AAC 44.080, as those provisions read on the effective date of this section,
30 and the dollar value of a community heating cost point under 7 AAC 44.080 may not exceed
31 \$170.

1 * Sec. 8. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
2 read:

3 ALASKA RESOURCE REBATES. (a) To provide residents of the state with an
4 Alaska resource rebate, the amount of the 2008 permanent fund dividend shall be increased.
5 After calculating the amount of the 2008 dividend under AS 43.23.025, the commissioner of
6 revenue shall add \$1,000 to determine the total amount of that dividend.

7 (b) Subject to appropriation, the amount necessary to increase 2008 permanent fund
8 dividends under (a) of this section shall be transferred from the general fund to the dividend
9 fund (AS 43.23.045).

10 (c) When issuing checks or pay warrants associated with a direct deposit to residents
11 receiving a permanent fund dividend, the commissioner of revenue shall include the following
12 statement: "The resource rebate is a one-time payment to qualified Alaskans."

13 * Sec. 9. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
14 read:

15 SUSPENSION OF THE MOTOR FUEL TAX. (a) Notwithstanding any other
16 provision of law, the motor fuel tax imposed under AS 43.40.010 is suspended and may not
17 be collected for a period beginning September 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2011.

18 (b) Every person subject to AS 43.40.010(c) in the fiscal year that precedes the
19 suspension established in (a) of this section shall submit a monthly report, under penalty of
20 unsworn falsification, on a form or in a format prescribed by the Department of Revenue
21 showing all sales or transfers of gasoline, diesel, and aviation fuel during the month. Sales
22 invoices must be attached to the report supporting all sales and transfers of gasoline, diesel,
23 and aviation fuel in the state. The report is due to the Department of Revenue on the last day
24 of the month following the month in which sales or transfers of gasoline, diesel, or aviation
25 fuel were made. The Department of Revenue may assess a penalty of up to \$5,000 against any
26 person that fails to file a monthly report or provide the supporting invoices as required by this
27 subsection.

28 (c) The Department of Revenue may adopt regulations under AS 44.62 to implement
29 this section.

30 * Sec. 10. Sections 1 and 3 of this Act take effect October 1, 2008.

31 * Sec. 11. Section 2 of this Act takes effect June 30, 2011.

- 1 * Sec. 12. Section 9 of this Act takes effect September 1, 2008.
- 2 * Sec. 13. Sections 5 - 8 of this Act take effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

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HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 4002(FIN)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

**Offered:
Referred:**

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

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act amending the bulk fuel bridge loan fund and the bulk fuel revolving loan fund;
2 relating to Alaska resource rebates, and increasing the amount of the 2008 permanent
3 fund dividend to provide that rebate; suspending the motor fuel tax; eliminating the
4 authority to make certain provisions of the heating assistance program retroactive to
5 November 1, 2007; and providing for an effective date."

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

7 * Section 1. AS 29.60.660(c) is amended to read:

8 (c) Loans made from the bulk fuel bridge loan fund to one borrower in a fiscal
9 year

10 (1) may not exceed \$750,000 [~~\$500,000~~]; and

11 (2) shall be repaid within one year after the date of the award.

12 * Sec. 2. AS 42.45.250(c) is amended to read:

13 (c) Loans made from the bulk fuel revolving loan fund to one borrower in any

1 fiscal year

2 (1) may not exceed \$750,000 [\$500,000], or, if the borrower is a
3 cooperative corporation organized under AS 10.15 or an electric cooperative
4 organized under AS 10.25 and uses the loan to purchase bulk fuel on behalf of more
5 than one community, may not exceed the lesser of \$750,000 [\$500,000] multiplied by
6 the number of communities on whose behalf the bulk fuel is to be purchased, or
7 \$1,800,000;

8 (2) shall be repaid in one year or less; and

9 (3) may not exceed 90 percent of the wholesale price of the fuel
10 purchased.

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

13 ALASKA RESOURCE REBATE. (a) To provide residents of the state with an Alaska
14 resource rebate, the amount of the 2008 permanent fund dividend shall be increased. After
15 calculating the amount of the 2008 dividend under AS 43.23.025, the commissioner of
16 revenue shall add \$1,200 to determine the total amount of that dividend. An individual may
17 elect not to receive the \$1,200 resource rebate authorized under this subsection. An individual
18 who elects not to receive the \$1,200 resource rebate may provide notice of the election on a
19 form provided by the Department of Revenue. Notice must be postmarked or received by the
20 Department of Revenue not later than September 2, 2008.

21 (b) A veteran or the spouse or dependent of a living or deceased veteran who did not
22 apply for the 2008 permanent fund dividend and is eligible for veterans' benefits under 38
23 U.S.C. 1315, 1513, 1521, 1541, and 1542 may apply to the Department of Revenue for a
24 \$1,200 Alaska resource rebate payment for 2008. The individual shall apply on a form
25 provided by the department not later than October 1, 2008, and shall demonstrate that the
26 individual would have been eligible to receive a 2008 permanent fund dividend under
27 AS 43.23, except that the individual did not apply for that dividend.

28 (c) A veteran or the spouse or dependent of a living or deceased veteran who is
29 eligible for veterans' benefits under 38 U.S.C. 1315, 1513, 1521, 1541, and 1542 who is
30 denied or receives reduced payments under those provisions or reduced health care benefits
31 solely because the \$1,200 increase in the dividend under (a) of this section or the \$1,200

1 payment under (b) of this section received by the individual is counted as income is eligible
2 for cash assistance under AS 47.25.120 - 47.25.300 (general relief assistance).
3 Notwithstanding the limit in AS 47.25.130, the individual is entitled to receive the same
4 amount as the individual would have received under 38 U.S.C. 1315, 1513, 1521, 1541, and
5 1542 and as a health care benefit as a result of being eligible under 38 U.S.C. 1315, 1513,
6 1521, 1541, and 1542, had the \$1,200 increase or payment not been received under (a) or (b)
7 of this section.

8 (d) Subject to appropriation, the amount necessary for resource rebates to increase
9 2008 permanent fund dividends under (a) of this section shall be transferred from the general
10 fund to the dividend fund (AS 43.23.045).

11 * Sec. 4. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
12 read:

13 **SUSPENSION OF THE MOTOR FUEL TAX.** (a) Notwithstanding any other
14 provision of law, the motor fuel tax imposed under AS 43.40.010 is suspended and may not
15 be collected for a period beginning September 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2011.

16 (b) Every person subject to AS 43.40.010(c) in the fiscal year that precedes the
17 suspension established in (a) of this section shall submit a monthly report, under penalty of
18 unsworn falsification, on a form or in a format prescribed by the Department of Revenue
19 showing all sales or transfers of gasoline, diesel, and aviation fuel during the month. The
20 department may require that invoices be attached to the report supporting all sales and
21 transfers of gasoline, diesel, and aviation fuel in the state. The report is due to the Department
22 of Revenue on the last day of the month following the month in which sales or transfers of
23 gasoline, diesel, or aviation fuel were made. The Department of Revenue may assess a penalty
24 of up to \$5,000 against any person that fails to file a monthly report or provide the supporting
25 invoices as required by this subsection.

26 (c) The Department of Revenue may adopt regulations under AS 44.62 to implement
27 this section.

28 * Sec. 5. Sections 9 and 11, ch. 31, SLA 2008, are repealed.

29 * Sec. 6. Section 4(a) of this Act is repealed June 30, 2011.

30 * Sec. 7. Section 4(b) and (c) of this Act are repealed September 1, 2011.

31 * Sec. 8. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

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NEW CONCEPTUAL AMENDMENT |

OFFERED IN THE HOUSE
TO: HCS CSSB4002(FIN)

BY REPRESENTATIVE MEYER

Page 3, line 15

Delete "June 30, 2011"
Insert "August 31, 2009"

Page 3, line 29

Delete "June 30, 2011"
Insert "August 31, 2009"

Page 3, line 30

Delete "September 1, 2011"
Insert "October 1, 2009"

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
Bill Version: CSSB 4002 (FIN) am
() Publish Date: _____

Identifier (file name): SB4002-CED-AEA-08-05-08 Dept. Affected: FUND CAPITALIZATIONS
Title: PCE-ELIGIB;AMTS;ELIGIBLE UTILITY DEFINED RDU: PCE Fund
Component: PCE Fund
Sponsor: Senate Finance
Requester: Senate Finance Component Number: 2500

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation Required	Information					
		FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
OPERATING EXPENDITURES							
Personal Services							
Travel							
Contractual							
Supplies							
Equipment							
Land & Structures							
Grants & Claims							
Misc Cap PCE Fund 1089	110,121.0		184,281.0	37,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0
TOTAL OPERATING	110,121.0	0.0	184,281.0	37,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	110,121.0		184,281.0	37,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0
CHANGE IN REVENUES ()							

FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF	110,121.0		158,484.0	11,360.0	11,360.0	11,360.0	11,360.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other PCE ENDOWMENT			25,800.0	25,800.0	25,800.0	25,800.0	25,800.0
TOTAL	110,121.0	0.0	184,284.0	37,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: _____

POSITIONS

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This fiscal note reflects the capitalization need for the PCE Fund for CS SE 4002(FIN) am

Prepared by: Sara Fisher-Goad, Deputy Director - Operations Phone: 907-771-3012
Division: Alaska Energy Authority Date/Time: _____
Approved by: Amanda Ryder, Director Date: 8/5/2008
Division of Administrative Services

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
Bill Version: CS SB 4002 (FIN) am
() Publish Date: _____

Identifier (file name): SB4002-CED-AEA-08-05-08 Dept. Affected: Commerce
Title: PCE-ELIGIB;AMTS;ELIGIBLE UTILITY DEFINED RDU: Alaska Energy Authority (453)
Component: AEA Power Cost Equalization
Sponsor: Senate Finance
Requester: Senate Finance Component Number: 2602

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation Required	Information						
		FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services								
Travel								
Contractual	121 0		160 0	160 0	160 0	160 0	160 0	160 0
Supplies								
Equipment								
Land & Structures								
Grants & Claims	110,000 0		184,000 0	37,000 0	37,000 0	37,000 0	37,000 0	37,000 0
Miscellaneous								
TOTAL OPERATING	110,121.0	0.0	184,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES (to cap the fund)	110,121.0		184,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()							
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF							
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other PCE Fund 1089	110,121 0		184,160 0	37,160 0	37,160 0	37,160 0	37,160 0
TOTAL	110,121.0	0.0	184,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0	37,160.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: _____

POSITIONS

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

SB 4002 amends the PCE program by amending the definition of eligible utilities, adjusting the PCE formula that is used to calculate a utility's PCE subsidy. Page 2 details the changes and estimated increased grants paid to utilities. AEA contracts with AIDEA for staff support. The contractual costs reflect the costs to hire two employees to assist in the administration of the program. The effective date of the expansion of the program is 10/1/08.

In addition to the increased operating costs, the PCE REC fund will need to be capitalized by the amount shown above.

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Division: Alaska Energy Authority Date/Time: _____
Approved by: Amanda Ryder, Director Date: 8/5/2008
Administrative Services Division

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CSSB 4002 (FIN) am

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

PROJECTIONS FOR CURRENT and NEW PCE ELIGIBLE COMMUNITIES

ASSUMPTIONS

ESTIMATED RATE INC 1.500
FLOOR 0.1000
CEILING 1.15
Multiply Factor 1.00 Was 0.95 in old law

Type	No Res Customers	kWh	\$ Grant	
Estimate 2-classic				
Community		31,391,312	17,539,611	
Residential 2	25,797	110,474,658	61,129,372	Based on reported residential sales
		<u>141,665,970</u>	<u>78,668,983</u>	
Estimate - new				
New Residential Custor	244,485	1,466,907,000	85,297,368	All Residential customers will use kWh max
Community Facilities est			<u>20,000,000</u>	6000
			<u>105,297,368</u>	
Total - New Program			<u>183,966,351</u>	Using Estimate 2 and new customers
		0.75	<u>137,974,763</u>	FY 2009
			(28,000,000)	
			109,974,763	

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
Bill Version: CSSB 4002W.A
() Publish Date: _____

Identifier (file name): SB 4002-CED-RCA-8-5-08
Title: PCE: Eligibility; Amounts; Eligible Utility Defined
Sponsor: Senate Finance
Requester: Senate Finance
Dept. Affected: Commerce
RDU: Regulatory Commission of Alaska
Component: Regulatory Commission of Alaska
Component Number: 2417

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation Required	Information						
		FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services	133.1			145.0	145.0	145.0	145.0	145.0
Travel								
Contractual								
Supplies	7.5							
Equipment	7.0							
Land & Structures								
Grants & Claims								
Miscellaneous								
TOTAL OPERATING	147.6	0.0	145.0	145.0	145.0	145.0	145.0	145.0

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

	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
1002 Federal Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF	147.6		145.0	145.0	145.0	145.0	145.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other Interagency Receipts							
TOTAL	147.6	0.0	145.0	145.0	145.0	145.0	145.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: 147.6

POSITIONS

	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
Full-time	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Part-time							
Temporary							

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

This supplemental note is in response to Version W.A. of SB 4002. The Regulatory Commission of Alaska (RCA) maintains that 2 new positions, funded by General Fund and not Regulatory Cost Charges, are necessary to meet the program goals of providing timely reimbursements upon review of utility filings and "hands-on" assistance to those utilities which struggle to stay in compliance. The new positions will be a Utility Financial Analyst I and a Utility Tariff Analyst I.

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Division: Regulatory Commission of Alaska
Approved by: Amanda Ryder, Director
Division of Administrative Services

Phone: 276-9222
Date/Time: 8/5/2008 9:00 a.m.
Date: 8/5/2008

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CSSB 4002

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

PCE calculations involve both fuel cost changes (utilities are invoiced for fuel in a variety of time periods: bi-monthly, monthly, quarterly, and annually) and non-fuel costs.

Fuel cost charges. The RCA Staff generally processes fuel cost changes within 2 weeks of receipt of a filing.

Non-fuel cost charges. RCA Staff cannot, and have not, kept pace with auditing PCE Annual Reports which reflect - among other things - changes in non-fuel costs used in PCE calculations. All PCE Annual Reports should be reviewed every year. Instead, the RCA has kept the utilities on a 3-year rotation since at least 2005 because the RCA does not have sufficient staff to handle the filings. Even if the RCA did, the additional costs would be borne by utilities that are not in the PCE program, including water and sewer utilities, and pipelines. Even on the 3-year rotation, the RCA is behind schedule for 29 utilities. We have one staff person assigned to process the 70 nonregulated utilities' filings. Each Annual Report, if entirely clean and correct, takes approximately 4-5 working days to review.

Additionally, staff cannot currently provide the level of assistance some utilities need. At the moment, there are approximately 14 of 70 nonregulated utilities that are not receiving reimbursement because they are in suspended status for failing to meet program requirements for timely, accurate filings. This number fluctuates some, but in general there are always too many utilities in suspension. A staff person assigned to PCE could work more closely and frequently with the utilities to try and keep them in compliance.

We will need to perform new base rate calculations to incorporate the new floor at 10 cents and the new ceiling at \$1.15. Some utilities will need to file new tariffs to reflect their participation in the PCE program, either through the new base rate or under proposed subsection (k)(the 5 cent minimum).

We know getting relief to the utilities and their customers is critical and we know that the additional staff will be needed to make sure the relief is timely, accurately determined, and reaches as many people as possible.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
Bill Version: CS SB 4002 (FIN) am
() Publish Date: _____

Identifier (file name): SB4002-CED-AEA-08-05-08 Dept. Affected: Commerce
Title: Alaska Resource Rebate RDU: Alaska Energy Authority (453)
Component: Statewide Project Development
Sponsor: Senate Finance
Requester: Senate Finance Component Number: 2888

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation Required	Information						
		FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services								
Travel								
Contractual	10,700.0		9,100.0					
Supplies								
Equipment								
Land & Structures								
Grants & Claims	350,000.0		350,000.0					
Miscellaneous								
TOTAL OPERATING	360,700.0	0.0	359,100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES								
CHANGE IN REVENUES ()								

FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
1002 Feder. Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF	360,700.0		360,700.0				
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other							
TOTAL	360,700.0	0.0	360,700.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: _____

POSITIONS

	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

SB 4002 establishes a new two-year emergency energy relief program to be administered by the Alaska Energy Authority. The program will reimburse eligible persons for the cost of fuel or electricity used for residences. Residential heating fuel payments that exceed \$3.00 a gallon up to 850 gallons for a single family residence and up to 300 gallons per unit of a multi family building. Natural gas credit is applied on costs over \$3.00 mcf up to 100 mcf. Electricity credit is up to 2,300 kWhs. Eligible cost reimbursements are applied for fuel and electrical use between September 1, 2008 - March 31, 2009 and September 1, 2009 - March 31, 2010. AEA's administration of the program will include the establishment of the qualified fuel distributor list, application process, verification standards, appeal process and other procedures necessary to carry out the intent of this program. Estimated costs are detailed on the following page.

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Division: Alaska Energy Authority
Approved by: Amanda Ryder, Director
Division of Administrative Services

Phone: 907-771-3012
Date/Time: _____
Date: 8/5/2008

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CS SB 4002 (FIN) am

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

Type	No. of	No. Hrs	Rate	Est. \$	
One Time Start Up Costs					
<i>Regulations, Policy & Procedure</i>					
AEA Staff		5	160	100	80,000
AG		1	160	150	24,000
 <i>One time IT Investment</i>					
Need AP system that would prevent duplicate payments to same address and cap at 600 gallons per address					100,000
 <i>Public Outreach - distributor and applicant contact</i>					
Includes application form reproduction, staff and travel to communities for education, and announcements through media					1,000,000
Develop the eligible distributor list - publication of list					
					<u>1,210,000</u>

Program Administration

	# Applicants	# Per period to apply	Cost per transaction	No Periods	
Receive and process rebate application payments - yr 1	115000	1	15	1	1,725,000
(4 applications/year)	115000	5	8	1	4,600,000
Receive and process rebate application payments - yr 2	115000	1	12	1	1,380,000
gas/electricity	115000	5	8	1	4,600,000
					<u>6,280,000</u>
					<u>18,590,000</u>

Estimated Total Program Cost

19,800,000

Cost per transaction is assumes a R12 clerk - loaded rate/hr=537
Assumes first application = 2-3 transactions/hr
=37/2 18.5
=37/3 12.3
average 15.4

FISCAL NOTE # 4

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CSSB 4002(FIN)

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

Rebate Computation:

The program will rebate the amount paid above \$3.00 per gallon, of a qualified applicants home heating oil purchases up to a maximum for each 7-month winter qualifying period of:

1. 600 gallons per single family residence or
2. 300 gallons per each residential unit within a multifamily building

Assumptions:

This is a new program and it is unclear how many qualified individuals will take advantage of this rebate. However, for purposes of estimating program costs, the following estimates were used:

Avg heating oil consumption per HH:	1,000 gals (AEA)
<u>% annual consumption used during winter:</u>	<u>60%</u>
Annual consumption eligible for rebate:	600 gals
Statewide avg price per gallon of heating oil:	\$ 5.51* (DCCED as of 6/2008)
<u>Rebate Program Price Floor</u>	<u>\$ 3.00</u>
Avg per gallon rebate:	\$ 2.51
Total Alaskan Households:	230,000 (Dept of Labor, 2006 Census Update)
<u>Est. # Heating with Natural Gas:</u>	<u>115,200 (Enstar Estimate)</u>
Max. # Heating with Heating Oil:	114,800

Annual Program Cost Calculations:

For purposes of conservatively estimating annual program costs, the higher 600 gallon per residence figure is used instead of the 300 gallon figure for multi-unit dwellings.

$$(114,800 \text{ HH}) \times (600 \text{ gal/HH}) \times (2.51 \text{ \$/gal}) = \$172,888,800$$

* Statewide average excludes the North Star Borough which subsidizes residential heating oil to its residents

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 5
Bill Version: CSSB 4002(FIN)
(S) Publish Date: 8/2/08

Identifier (file name): SB4002-SFIN-REV-08-2-08 Dept Affected: Revenue
Title: Alaska Resource Rebate Program RDU: Taxation & Treasury
Component: Resource Rebate
Sponsor: Senate Finance Committee
Requester: Senate Finance Committee Component Number: _____

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation Required	Information					
		FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
OPERATING EXPENDITURES							
Personal Services							
Travel							
Contractual		100.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Supplies							
Equipment							
Land & Structures							
Grants & Claims		310,000.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Miscellaneous							
TOTAL OPERATING		0.0	310,100.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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

	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
1002 Federal Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF		310,100.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other Interagency Receipts							
TOTAL	0.0	310,100.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: _____

POSITIONS

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This legislation adds \$500.00 to each 2008 PFD from the General Fund. There are no PFD eligibility. While it is expected that there will be no direct costs to administer this change in the PFD program, it is expected that there will be additional costs to the PFD Division in terms of additional public contracts and appeals of eligibility determinations. However, the increased size of the dividend may result in more appeals and therefore \$100,000 in FY09 and \$50,000 in FY10 are based on increased appeal costs from the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Total costs are based on 620,000 eligible 2008 PFD applicants. The actual number will not be determined until mid-September.

Prepared by: Miles Baker
Division: Senate Finance Committee
Approved by: Senator Bert Stedman

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Date/Time: 8/2/08 5:00pm
Date: 8/2/2008

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 6
Bill Version: CSSB 4002(FIN)
(S) Publish Date: 8/2/08

Identifier (file name): SB4002-SFIN-PCE Fund-08-2-08 Dept. Affected: Fund Capitalization
Title: Power Cost Equalization Changes/Resource Rebate Program RDU: PCE Fund
Sponsor: Senate Finance Committee Component: PCE Fund
Requester: Senate Finance Committee Component Number: 2500

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation Required	Information						
		FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services								
Travel								
Contractual								
Supplies								
Equipment								
Land & Structures								
Grants & Claims								
Other: <u>PCE Fund 1089</u>		140,775.0	168,775.0	32,603.0	32,063.0	32,063.0	32,063.0	
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	140,775.0	168,775.0	32,603.0	32,063.0	32,063.0	32,063.0	

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES							
CHANGE IN REVENUES ()							

FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF		140,775.0	142,975.0	6,803.0	6,263.0	6,263.0	6,263.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other: <u>PCE Endowment</u>			25,800.0	25,800.0	25,800.0	25,800.0	25,800.0
TOTAL	0.0	140,775.0	168,775.0	32,603.0	32,063.0	32,063.0	32,063.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: _____

POSITIONS

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This legislation amends the PCE program by amending the definition of eligible utilities and making adjustments to the formula used to calculate the residential ratepayers allowable subsidizes kWhs

In addition, the legislation provides a \$0.05 per kWhs residential rate reduction for non-PCE eligible electrical utilities

The fiscal note shows the funds needed to capitalize the PCE fund. The FY 2009 appropriation is net of the \$28.0 mill FY09 appropriation already made to the PCE Rural Electric Cap Fund. In future years, the estimates assume a PCE Endowment payout of \$25.8 mill which is 7% of the 6/30/08 market value of the current endowment - \$369 mill.

Prepared by: Miles Baker
Division: Senate Finance Committee
Approved by: Senator Bert Stedman, Co-Chair

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Date: 8/2/2008

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 7
 Bill Version: CSSB 4002(FIN)
 (S) Publish Dat: 8/3/08
 Dept. Affected: Health & Social Services
 RDU: Public Assistance
 Component: General Relief Assistance

ID(File name) SB4002CS(FIN)-DHSS-GRA-08-03-08
 Title ALASKA RESOURCE REBATE PROGRAM

Sponsor SENATE FINANCE
 Requester SENATE FINANCE

Component No. 221

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation		Information					
	Required		FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services			76.4					
Travel			10.0					
Contractual			49.5					
Supplies			20.3					
Equipment								
Land & Structures								
Grants & Claims			1,583.1					
Miscellaneous								
TOTAL OPERATING			0.0	1,739.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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			1,739.3					
1037 GF/Mental Health								
Other(Specify Type-do not abbreviate)								
Other(Specify Type-do not abbreviate)								
TOTAL			0.0	1,739.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: _____

POSITIONS

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary			2				

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

CSSB 4002Y (with amendments) increases the 2008 Permanent Fund Dividend by \$500 to provide residents of the state with an Alaska resource rebate. The bill also allows veterans, spouses or dependents of a living or deceased veteran to apply for the \$500 resource rebate payment if they did not apply for a 2008 permanent fund dividend. Under the bill, veterans may also apply for the Emergency Energy Relief program and receive a payment to offset the cost of fuel used for residences. Veterans' benefits, both pension and medical, that would be lost as a result of counting the rebate or energy relief payments must be replaced with Hold Harmless (HH) benefits through the General Relief Assistance program.

Prepared by: Ellie Fitzjarrald
 Division: Public Assistance
 Approved by: William H. Hogan, Commissioner
 Agency: Department of Health and Social Services

Phone: 465-5847
 Date/Time: 08/02/2008
 Date: 08/03/2008

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

Some veterans benefits are income tested. The Veterans Administration has advised us it will likely treat the resource rebate and the emergency energy relief payments as income. Pension benefits will be reduced dollar to dollar and prorated over the calendar year. The cost of replacing medical benefits will vary according the veteran's usage of VA medical services. The pension and medical benefits will be replaced through payment of a Hold Harmless benefit.

Cost Assumptions

VA estimates 376 beneficiaries (312 vets and 64 widows and dependents) will be impacted. We estimate the VA hold harmless cost to replace these benefits is \$752.0 (376 x \$2000, which is the estimated combined value of energy relief and resource rebate).

VA estimates that 497 veterans are receiving assistance with costs of medications, inpatient/outpatient care, and long-term care services. Based on information provided by the VA, the anticipated cost for holding these services harmless is \$831.1

In order to issue these benefits, the Division will need to employ two temporary Project Assistant positions to manage the additional workload associated with determining eligibility and issuing hold harmless benefits, and will need to modify DPA's Eligibility Information System (EIS) to facilitate the issuance of Hold Harmless benefits for veterans whose benefits are reduced due to the resource rebate.

FY09 Administrative Costs for VA benefits: \$156.2

Personal Services (2 positions): \$76.4

Travel (to facilitate employee training and outreach): \$10.0

Contractual (telecommunication, printing, and outreach to inform veterans of the program's availability): \$14.5

Contractual (EIS Computer Programming Modifications): \$35.0

Supplies (equipment and supplies for issuing notices and warrants): \$20.3

All costs for the Alaska Resource Rebate Hold Harmless Program are eliminated in FY 2010 to reflect the sunset of the program June 30, 2009.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 8
 Bill Version: CSSB 4002(FIN)
 (S) Publish Dat: 8/3/08
 Dept. Affected: Health & Social Services
 RDU: Public Assistance
 Component: PFD Hold Harmless

ID(File name) SB4002CS(FIN)-DHSS-PFDHH-08-03-08
 Title ALASKA RESOURCE REBATE PROGRAM

Sponsor SENATE FINANCE
 Requester SENATE FINANCE

Component No. 225

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation		Information				
	Required						
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
Personal Services							
Travel							
Contractual							
Supplies							
Equipment							
Land & Structures							
Grants & Claims		400.0					
Miscellaneous							
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	400.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES							
CHANGE IN REVENUES (0)							

FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
1002 Federal Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other(PFD Hold Harmless)		400.0					
Other(Specify Type-do not abbreviate)							
TOTAL	0.0	400.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: _____

POSITIONS

	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

CSSB 4002(T) (with amendments) increases the 2008 Permanent Fund Dividend by \$500 to provide residents of the state with an Alaska resource rebate. The increase of \$500 to the total amount of the dividend will be funded by transfers from the general fund to the dividend fund.

The Food Stamp, Social Security Supplemental Income (SSI), and Adult Public Assistance (APA) programs count the Permanent Fund Dividend (PFD) as income in determining whether a person or household qualifies for benefits. PFD money that is not spent and is kept after the month of receipt is also considered an available asset (cash on hand or money in the bank) for program participants.

Prepared by: Elle Fitzjarrald
 Division: Public Assistance
 Approved by: William H. Hogan, Commissioner
 Agency: Department of Health and Social Services

Phone: 465-5847
 Date/Time: 08/02/2008
 Date: 08/03/2008

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

The Permanent Fund Dividend Hold Harmless program established in AS 43.32.075 requires that public assistance benefits which are lost as the result of counting the PFD as income or as an asset must be replaced by issuing a PFD Hold Harmless (PFD HH) benefit. PFD HH replacement benefits are limited to four months a year.

The department estimates an increment of \$400,000 in PFD HH will be needed in FY 09 to replace Food Stamp benefits that would otherwise be reduced or stopped as a result of households receiving the extra \$500 in the PFD.

The department does not expect the \$500 increase in the 2008 PFD to affect the amount of PFD HH expenditures needed to replace lost APA and SSI benefits. The amount of the PFD has been so high in recent years that benefits to these program recipients have been replaced with PFD Hold Harmless benefits, even without the additional \$500. These appropriations are accounted for in the FY 09 budget. The department also expects that the extra \$500 received by program participants will be spent on additional expenses such as increased energy costs.

Assumptions:

In FY09, the department expects that the \$500 added to the 2008 PFD would affect 1,000 Food Stamp households. The average PFD HH payment for Food Stamps is \$400/month. 1,000 households x \$400 = \$400,000

31 July, 2008

Dear Senator and Representative:

Thank you for your efforts during special session to seek solutions to the energy problems facing Alaska. It appears the legislature is responsibly tackling both short and long term solutions to this critical problem and we, the Board of Regents, applaud you for this effort.

As you attempt to construct an energy policy for Alaska please keep in mind a powerful resource you already have at your disposal – the University of Alaska. UA is uniquely positioned to provide immediate assistance in the development and evaluation of new technologies as well as enhancements of existing technologies.

UA has been at the cutting edge of energy research and development for decades. Although work has been spread across UA, units such as the UAF College of Engineering and Mines and the Geophysical Institute and the UAA Institute for Social and Economic Research have been particularly active. More recently UA established the Alaska Center for Energy and Power (ACEP). ACEP is on the front lines of addressing long term energy solutions through practical research and evaluation of such technologies as geothermal, hydroelectric, and wind generation. It is also heavily invested in shorter term solutions for improving oil and gas exploration, as well as continuing research and development associated with heavy oil, and gas hydrate development. ACEP has partnered with organizations such as Lawrence Livermore Laboratories, the United States Department of Energy and the National Renewable Energy Laboratory to build expertise.

We know the legislature is considering many options, but we encourage you to make sure research and development is one of them. Early drafts of Speaker Harris' bill included research as an eligible funding category of the Alternative Energy Grant Fund and Recommendation Program. The Board understands there may be many iterations of this bill or it may not pass at all. However, the Board of Regents supports the inclusion of research and development as a cornerstone of any solution you consider for energy in Alaska.

Sincerely,

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Board of Regents
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4. \$2.6 billion was recently spent on federal leases in the Chukchi Sea by Shell, ConocoPhillips, StatoilHydro, and others. Currently, these leases do not incorporate revenue sharing, which will require an act of Congress. Again, it will be difficult to justify implementing revenue sharing for these leases if the state is handing out significant sums of money to each resident, regardless of need.
5. Taxes have been increased on the oil industry three times in the last three years. Despite a significant increase in oil prices, the Lower 48 is seeing a greater increase in investment dollars than Alaska, potentially as a result of this new tax structure. Indeed, the pipeline is 1/3rd full and throughput continues to decrease at nearly 6% per year. Distribution of these surpluses without sustainable, long-term solutions to Alaska's energy problems will not go unnoticed.
6. It should be noted that windfall revenues from increased oil prices are already being incorporated into the Permanent Fund as 25% of all royalties are paid directly into the Permanent Fund, thus resulting in potentially higher dividends.
7. Alaskans may come to expect additional "energy rebates" in the future, especially if the large surpluses we are experiencing this year continue. Ultimately, well-intentioned social programs may compete with future energy rebates.
8. Suspending the motorfuel tax has diverse support AND opposition from members on the RDC Board. However, where there was consensus is that if action is taken, long-term solutions must be considered.
9. The state needs to provide a climate that encourages local energy development, be it natural gas/coalbed methane, geothermal, wind, hydro, coal, tidal, or others. The state must foster these opportunities and protect its interests. Too often, as local communities work to develop their energy resources, they have been squelched by the vocal minority opposition (for example, coalbed methane in the Mat-Su on state land).

Energy prices have had a profound impact on Alaskans, particularly in rural Alaska over the last several years. Indeed, short-term statewide energy relief may be a foregone conclusion, given this is an election year, with the primary three weeks away. However, any short-term action must consider the wide range of energy costs throughout Alaska and focus on those Alaskans in dire need. Outside the context of a long-term energy plan, short term fixes will be unsustainable and will bring with them a host of unintended consequences.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important issue.

Sincerely,

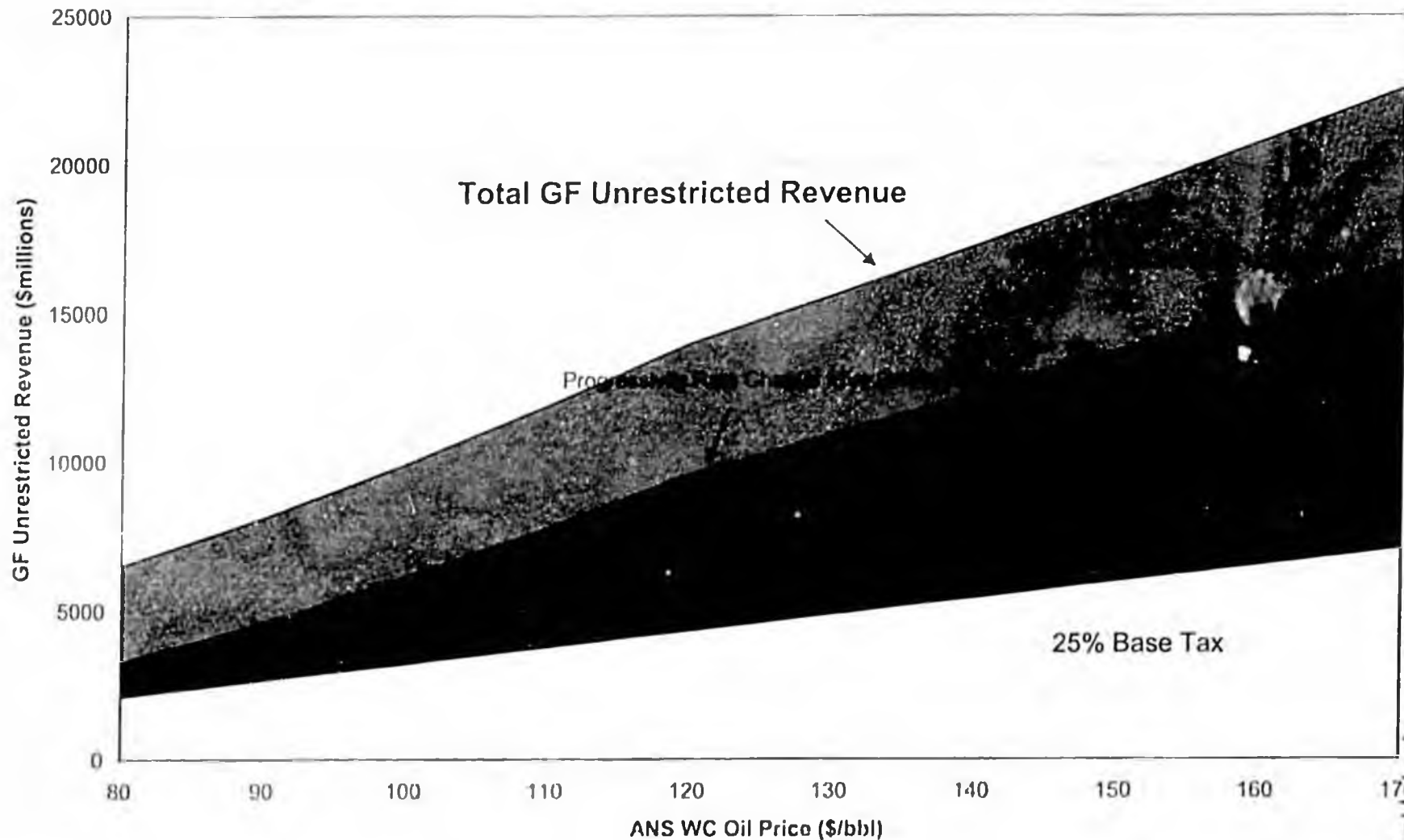


Jason Brune
Executive Director
Resource Development Council for Alaska, Inc.

Estimated FY 2009 General Fund Unrestricted Revenue, at Oil Prices of \$80 - \$170 per bbl (in \$millions)

ANS WC Oil Price (\$ per barrel)	\$80	\$90	\$100	\$110	\$120	\$130	\$140	\$150	\$160	\$170
Unrestricted Royalties	1,934	2,188	2,442	2,696	2,950	3,204	3,458	3,712	3,965	4,219
Production Tax - Base Tax	2,133	2,687	3,240	3,794	4,348	4,901	5,455	6,009	6,562	7,116
Production Tax - Progressivity	1,126	1,900	2,851	3,979	5,211	5,997	6,827	7,701	8,620	9,583
Corporate Income Tax	563	597	631	666	700	734	768	802	837	871
Property Tax	59	59	59	59	59	59	59	59	59	59
Non-oil GF Revenue	708	708	708	708	708	708	708	708	708	708
Total Unrestricted GF Revenue	6,523	8,139	9,931	11,902	13,976	15,603	17,275	18,991	20,751	22,556

Estimated FY 2009 GF Unrestricted Revenue, at Various Oil Prices



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FOR YOUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION

DATE: March 5, 2007
TO: Finance Committee
(Mindy, Room 520)
FROM: Office of the Senate Secretary
SUBJ: Referral Change

The Co-Chair of the Committee noted above has waived the referral(s) on the following bill(s):

RETRIEVE

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1

Relating to reauthorization of federal funding for children's health insurance; and encouraging the Governor to support additional funding for and access to children's health insurance.

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

Thank you.

**SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT
First Committee of Referral**

DATE: 2/7/07

FURTHER: Finance

Date of 5-Day Notice: 2/15/07
(in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

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Health, Education and Social Services Committee considered

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1

SJR 1 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR CHILDREN

Relating to reauthorization of federal funding for children's health insurance; and encouraging the Governor to support additional funding for and access to children's health insurance.

and recommends:

be replaced with SCS or CS _____ (_____)

adopt previous SCS or CS _____ (_____)

attached amendment(s)

adopt _____ Letter of Intent

further referral to _____ Committee

SENATE BILL:

- Same Title
- New Title

HOUSE BILL:

- Same Title
- Technical Title Change
- New Title w/ SCR # _____

NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN#
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PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN#

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

SIGNATURES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	PRINTED LAST NAME	Do PASS	Do NOT PASS	No REC	AMEND
	Elton	✓			
	Thomas	✓			
	Coody	✓			
	Dyson	✓			
CHAIR:	Davis	✓			

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SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT
First Committee of Referral

DATE: 1/18/08

FURTHER:

Date of 5-Day Notice: _____
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DATE TURNED
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Finance Committee considered SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14

SJR 14 BUDGET RESERVE FUND VOTE REQUIREMENT

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to appropriations from the budget reserve fund.

and recommends:

- be replaced with SCS or CS SJR 14 (FIN)
- adopt previous SCS or CS _____ (_____)
- attached amendment(s)
- adopt _____ Letter of Intent
- further referral to _____ Committee

SENATE BILL:
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HOUSE BILL:
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NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

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PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department	Date	Fiscal	Indet.	Zero	FN#

APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

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CO-CHAIR:					

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
Bill Version: SJR14
() Publish Date: _____

Identifier (file name): SJR014-OOG-DOE-1-25-08 Dept. Affected: OOG
Title: Constitutional amendment relating to appropriations RDU: Elections
from the budget reserve fund Component: Elections
Sponsor: Senator Hoffman
Requester: Senate Finance Committee Component Number: 21

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation Required	Information						
		FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services								
Travel								
Contractual	1.5							
Supplies								
Equipment								
Land & Structures								
Grants & Claims								
Miscellaneous								
TOTAL OPERATING	1.5	0.0	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)

	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
1002 Federal Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF	1.5						
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other Interagency Receipts							
TOTAL	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: _____

POSITIONS

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)
The passage of this resolution would require the constitutional amendment to appear on the 2008 general election ballot. The cost of providing information about the constitutional amendment in the Official election Pamphlet, as required by AS 15.58 is \$1.5. Should the addition of this question require printing an 8-1/2 by 18 inch ballot, the cost will increase to \$22.0.

Prepared by: Gail Fenomial, Director
Division: Division of Elections
Approved by: Linda Perez, Administrative Director
Office of the Governor

Phone: 465-2644
Date/Time: 1/25/2008, 2:33pm
Date: 1/25/2008

CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14(FIN)
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered:
Referred:

Sponsor(s): SENATOR HOFFMAN

A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to the budget
2 reserve fund.

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

4 * Section 1. Article IX, sec. 17(c), Constitution of the State of Alaska is amended to read:

5 (c) An appropriation from the budget reserve fund may be made for any public
6 purpose upon affirmative vote of two-thirds [THREE-FOURTHS] of the members of
7 each house of the legislature.

8 * Sec. 2. Article IX, sec. 17(d), Constitution of the State of Alaska is amended to read:

9 (d) If an appropriation is made from the budget reserve fund, until the amount
10 appropriated is repaid, the amount of money in the general fund available for
11 appropriation at the end of each succeeding fiscal year shall be deposited in the budget
12 reserve fund. For purposes of this subsection, each amount deposited into the fund
13 under (a) of this section shall be treated as a repayment of money appropriated
14 from the fund. If the amount deposited under (a) of this section exceeds the
15 amount due in repayment, the excess amount shall be treated as a credit to be
16 applied as a repayment of money appropriated from the fund in the future. The

1 legislature shall implement this subsection by law.

2 * Sec. 3. The amendments proposed by this resolution shall be placed before the voters of
3 the state at the next general election in conformity with art. XIII, sec. 1, Constitution of the
4 State of Alaska, and the election laws of the state.

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AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR STEDMAN

TO: SJR 14

1 Page 1, line 1:

2 Delete "an amendment"

3 Insert "amendments"

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5 Page 1, line 2:

6 Delete "appropriations from"

7

8 Page 1, following line 7:

9 Insert a new resolution section to read:

10 * Sec. 2. Article IX, sec. 17(d), Constitution of the State of Alaska is amended to read:

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17 amount due in repayment, the excess amount shall be treated as a credit to be
18 applied as a repayment of money appropriated from the fund in the future. The
19 legislature shall implement this subsection by law."

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21 Renumber the following resolution section accordingly.

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- 1 Page 1, line 8:
- 2 Delete "amendment"
- 3 Insert "amendments"



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Budget reserve battle lines drawn

Some critics say fund promotes unnecessary pork-barrel spending

The state of Alaska owes more than \$5.2 billion to its Constitutional Budget Reserve, but there appears to be little sentiment in the Legislature to fully repay the money borrowed from the fund.

Some legislators, in fact, say they'd like to see the reserve done away with entirely.

While the voters had good intentions when they tried to save money in the reserve, it has actually had the opposite effect and resulted in unnecessary pork-barrel spending, critics such as House Speaker John Harris, R-Valdez, say.

The problem with the reserve, he said, is that it takes a three-quarters majority to take money out of the reserve, meaning that almost any legislator can parlay a single vote into pork for his or her district.

"It's legalized bribery, but it's still bribery," he said.

The voters approved the creation of the budget reserve in 1990 as a way to save money for lean years. It proved crucial in the 1990s when oil prices fell and billions of dollars from the reserve were used to balance the state budget.

The reserve was originally funded with money from tax settlements, which are required by law to be deposited in it.

Sen. Gary Wilken, R-Fairbanks, said the reserve isn't working as hoped.

"The CBR is well intended, but what it does is bastardize the budget process," he said.

The three-quarters vote required for dipping into the reserve means it takes 15 of 20 senators to access the money.

"The cost of getting the 15th vote really dirties up the budget process," Wilken said. "It drives up spending rather than reducing spending."

Oil prices are now at all-time highs, a new oil tax is bringing in new money, and oil production may never be as high as it is today.

Gov. Sarah Palin has proposed a budget putting \$379 million repayment over the next two years, a repayment rate Sen. Kim Elton, D-Juneau, said is unlikely to replenish the reserve before declining state finances have the state tapping it again.

Sen. Bert Stedman, R-Sitka, co-chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, said now is the time to boost the reserve, while the state is flush with money.

"This is a golden opportunity to make a substantial contribution in the CBR," he said.

The state will need the budget reserve to bridge the gap between declining oil revenues and the beginning of natural gas flowing to market.

"If we were to put \$2 billion to \$3 billion in the CBR, the state would be in a very strong financial position heading to first gas," he said.

Without it, he said, there will likely be calls for new taxes or tapping the Alaska Permanent Fund to run the state, Stedman said.

Rep. Beth Kerttula, D-Juneau, said she thought there would be support for Palin's plan, and maybe more than the governor proposed.

"There seems a pretty good consensus through the Legislature that there ought to be savings," she said. "I personally think you've got to put it in a place where it is hard to get to so it will be around for a while, and I think the CBR is the place to do it."

Last year Palin proposed putting \$1 billion in the CBR, but despite a big surplus, the Legislature put only \$50 million in the reserve, instead saving the remainder so it would be readily available this year.

Harris said that despite his personal opposition, at least some of this year's surplus will go the reserve.

"I have a feeling that we'll put some in the CBR," he said.

Kerttula said there may be disagreement over the merits of the CBR, but the Alaska Constitution requires repayment of borrowed money, and unless it is amended it will continue to do so.

"At the moment we have an obligation to refund the CBR," she said.

Wilken said he'd be open to changing the constitution.

"Tell me where I sign up," he said.

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THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

ARTICLE 09

FINANCE AND TAXATION

Section 9.17 - Budget Reserve Fund.

(a) There is established as a separate fund in the State treasury the budget reserve fund. Except for money deposited into the permanent fund under Section 15 of this article, all money received by the State after July 1, 1990, as a result of the termination, through settlement or otherwise, of an administrative proceeding or of litigation in a State or federal court involving mineral lease bonuses, rentals, royalties, royalty sale proceeds, federal mineral revenue sharing payments or bonuses, or involving taxes imposed on mineral income, production, or property, shall be deposited in the budget reserve fund. Money in the budget reserve fund shall be invested so as to yield competitive market rates to the fund. Income of the fund shall be retained in the fund. Section 7 of this article does not apply to deposits made to the fund under this subsection. Money may be appropriated from the fund only as authorized under (b) or (c) of this section.

(b) If the amount available for appropriation for a fiscal year is less than the amount appropriated for the previous fiscal year, an appropriation may be made from the budget reserve fund. However, the amount appropriated from the fund under this subsection may not exceed the amount necessary, when added to other funds available for appropriation, to provide for total appropriations equal to the amount of appropriations made in the previous calendar year for the previous fiscal year.

(c) An appropriation from the budget reserve fund may be made for any public purpose upon affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members of each house of the legislature.

(d) If an appropriation is made from the budget reserve fund, until the amount appropriated is repaid, the amount of money in the general fund available for appropriation at the end of each succeeding fiscal year shall be deposited in the budget reserve fund. The legislature shall implement this subsection by law.

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SJR 17:

Securing a Fair Share for Alaska of Offshore Oil Revenues

SJR 17 urges Congress to provide Alaska with a share of federal revenue from oil and gas leasing and development off Alaska's coast.

Under current law, Alaska receives virtually no revenue from oil and gas leasing and development that occurs more than six miles off our coast. This contrasts with how other states, including Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Texas, are treated. Under the 2006 Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act, these states receive 37.5 percent of revenues from newly leased federal waters off their coasts. This new law is expected to direct more than \$13 billion to Louisiana alone over the next three decades.

Alaska deserves to be treated in the same way as other states that contribute to our nation's energy security. Like other energy-producing states, Alaska bears the costs of infrastructure in support of offshore development, and our coastal resources and residents bear the impacts of offshore development. Alaskans deserve to share in the benefits of production, just as we do its costs.

The federal Minerals Management Service estimates that there could be as much as 55 billion barrels of technically recoverable oil and 280 trillion cubic feet of technically recoverable gas off Alaska's coast.

Recently companies bid \$2.6 billion for access to tracts in the Chukchi Sea. More than 1.4 million acres off Alaska's coast have already been leased by the federal government. The Chukchi Sea sale could result in the leasing of an additional 2.7 million acres.

As more lands off Alaska's coast are leased for offshore oil production, we need to ensure that Alaska gets its fair share of the benefits of that leasing and production. It's time Congress treated all coastal states equally and fairly. Please join me in supporting SJR 17.

Ted Stevens: Time to divvy up OCS

Alaska's senior U.S. senator, governor want state to get share of outer continental shelf oil and gas royalties

By KRISTEN NELSON
Petroleum News

The State of Alaska should share in royalties from outer continental shelf production on its borders, says U.S. Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, predicting that such sharing will take place as a condition of OCS production off Alaska.

The senator, in June to give his annual update to the Legislature, told members of the press Feb. 19 that the bill passed in 2006 which allocated OCS monies to Gulf of Mexico states originally included Alaska.

"We had a provision in the bill as it went through and it was the people opposed to ANWR who took that out of there. They thought it was an incentive to drill in Alaska and would not let us enact it."

Stevens said North Slope residents oppose drilling "until they get a percentage of it — that's what we're facing right now."

Both the state and federal governments "have to wake up," Stevens said.

People on the North Slope are not going to put up with oil and gas drilling and the risk to their resources from a spill. "I don't think it's a great risk," Stevens said, but calling it a "potential risk to their resources."

Alaska is not included in OCS offshore royalty sharing, he said, "because of the opposition of the extreme environmental people."

Alaska has two-thirds of the outer continental shelf "and we don't get any money from any production that comes from the outer continental shelf."

"I predict there's not going to be any production until we get it. Both the state and the Native people oppose any real production until we get the same kind of share that others get from production off our shore," Stevens said.

Governor: time Alaska starts promoting OCS share

Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin agreed with

Stevens on OCS royalty share.

"It's going to become much brighter on everyone's radar screen. I think, once Alaskans realize that these other coastal states do receive OCS revenue shares. Alaska doesn't; we're exempt from that," the governor told reporters Feb. 21.

She said she would like to see that changed and thinks it's time Alaska started pushing for that change, and anticipates that the state's congressional delegation would support that move.

Stevens helped the Gulf of Mexico states get a share of OCS royalties, Palin said, adding that she hopes delegations



SEN. TED STEVENS

GOV. SARAH PALIN

from those states would, in return, assist Alaska in getting royalties off its shores.

Alaska's share \$21.7 million

Alaska does earn royalties from production from federal lands onshore and

from offshore lands adjacent to state waters.

Alaska was one of 34 states which earned a share of almost \$2 billion during fiscal year 2007 as part of federal revenues collected by the Department of the Interior's Minerals Management Service, MMS said late last year.

Alaska's share, \$21.7 million, represents its share of revenues collected from oil, gas and coal production.

MMS said for the majority of onshore federal lands, states receive 50 percent of the revenues while the other 50 percent goes to various funds of the U.S.

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Treasury, including the Reclamation Fund for water projects. Alaska receives a 90 percent share of revenues from onshore production as prescribed in the Alaska Statehood Act.

"In addition, Texas, Alabama, Louisiana and Mississippi with producing federal offshore tracts adjacent to state waters receive 27 percent of those mineral royalties," while remaining offshore revenues MMS collects go into various accounts of the U.S. Treasury, the majority into the general fund.

U.S. coastal waters are divided into three zones: from zero to three miles is state waters; in federal waters from three

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"OCS impact assistance program moves ahead" in March 11, 2007, issue at www.petroleumnews.com/pnads/829616050.shtml

to six miles from shore, states get a 27 percent cut of royalties from production; there is no state cut beyond six miles, except for those Gulf Coast states receiving OCS royalties as a result of the 2006 federal legislation. ●

Alaska Reported Revenue 1982 to 2007

Year	Alaska Revenues Reported by MMS 8(g) and Non 8(g)				Year Subtotal	State Disbursement	Comments
	Bonus	Rent	Royalty <i>Published by Calendar Year</i>	Other			
1982	\$2,055,632,336	\$1,965,516	None	\$0	\$2,057,597,852		Sale RS-2 and Sale 71
1983	\$744,332,202	\$4,248,241	\$0	\$0	\$748,580,443	N/A	Sale 57 and 70
1984	\$1,388,281,658	\$4,601,574	\$39,934	\$0	\$1,392,923,166	N/A	Sale 83 and 87
1985	\$0	\$11,503,554	\$112,088	\$0	\$11,715,642	N/A	
1986	\$0	\$7,561,960	\$56,792	\$0	\$7,618,752	\$51,438,090	Disbursement included Section 8(g) Escrow
1987	\$0	\$7,677,314	\$71,320	\$0	\$7,748,634	\$4,420,730	
1988	\$688,733,767	\$16,915,379	\$130,696	\$0	\$705,779,842	\$329,000,638	Disbursement included Section 8(g) Escrow - Sale 97, 109, and 92
1989	\$0	\$18,708,334	\$102,480	\$0	\$18,810,814	\$4,467,427	
1990	\$0	\$15,255,133	\$84,048	\$0	\$15,339,181	\$4,402,935	
1991	\$23,924,239	\$19,243,423	\$67,568	\$0	\$39,235,230	\$4,678,515	Sale 124 and 126
1992	\$0	\$7,374,262	\$67,568	\$0	\$7,441,830	\$9,676,943	
1993	\$0	\$4,392,274	\$67,568	\$0	\$4,459,842	\$9,550,625	
Total by CY	\$4,900,904,202	\$115,546,964	\$801,062	\$0	\$5,017,251,228	\$417,635,903	

New report format introduced - Published by Fiscal Year				New report format introduced - Fiscal Year			
Year	Bonus	Rent	Royalty	Other	Year Subtotal	State Disbursement	Comments
1994	\$0	\$1,515,389	\$0	\$86,000	\$1,601,389	\$9,518,125	Disbursement included 9,380,000 settlement payment
1995	\$0	\$546,752	\$0	\$104,432	\$651,184	\$9,444,493	Disbursement included 9,380,000 settlement payment
1996	\$14,429,363	\$1,182,292	\$0	\$67,568	\$15,679,223	\$9,528,054	Sale 144 - Disbursement included 9,380,000 settlement payment
1997	\$253,965	\$1,267,699	\$3,981	\$38,945	\$1,624,590	\$17,330,950	Sale 149 - Disbursement included 13,400,000 settlement payment
1998	\$5,327,093	\$1,549,768	\$0	\$86,000	\$6,962,861	\$13,560,186	Sale 170 - Disbursement included 13,400,000 settlement payment
1999	\$0	\$1,360,324	\$0	\$75,746	\$1,436,070	\$14,714,847	Disbursement included 13,400,000 settlement payment
2000	\$0	\$1,319,235	\$0	\$49,405	\$1,368,640	\$13,669,265	Disbursement included 13,400,000 settlement payment
Total	\$20,010,421	\$8,741,459	\$3,981	\$563,096	\$29,323,957	\$87,765,920	

New report format introduced breakout of 8(g) Reported Revenues

Offshore 8(g)						Alaska Offshore Non 8(g)						
Year	Bonus	Rent	Royalty	Other	Year Subtotal	State Disbursement	Year	Bonus	Rent	Royalty	Other	Year Subtotal
2001	\$0	\$1,068,331	None	\$49,136	\$1,117,467	\$13,613,543	2001					
2002	\$0	\$457,948	\$4,296,269	\$32,160	\$4,786,377	\$1,068,091	2002		\$179,101			\$179,101
2003	\$0	\$575,721	\$14,926,886	\$0	\$15,502,607	\$7,732,698	2003		\$180,013			\$180,013
2004	\$5,653,912	\$572,022	\$2,727,462	\$0	\$8,953,396	\$7,245,906	2004	\$3,249,626	\$337,180			\$3,586,806
2005	\$12,441,435	\$992,687	\$33,029,581	\$0	\$46,463,703	\$10,871,901	2005	\$34,068,294	\$766,028			\$34,834,322
2006	\$0	\$880,218	\$41,994,748	\$0	\$42,874,965	\$11,294,551	2006		\$1,169,300			\$1,169,300
2007	\$107,556	\$183,963	\$26,385,860	\$0	\$27,477,379	\$7,767,182	2007	\$41,872,577	\$1,699,032			\$43,571,609
Total	\$18,202,903	\$5,530,889	\$145,360,806	\$81,296	\$189,175,894	\$55,593,871		\$79,190,497	\$4,330,653			\$83,521,150

Total Offshore Non 8(g) since 2001

Year	Gulf	Pacific	Alaska	Total OCS Non 8(g)
2001	6,690,023,792.43	170,426,086.89	-	6,860,449,879.32
2002	3,869,331,822.58	77,314,628.83	179,101.00	3,946,825,552.41
2003	5,413,897,337.79	117,820,719.16	180,013.00	5,531,898,069.95
2004	4,789,694,250.28	143,169,899.96	3,586,806.00	4,936,450,956.24
2005	5,705,953,872.26	155,396,266.58	34,834,321.50	5,896,184,460.34
2006	6,928,423,150.25	216,086,449.67	1,169,300.00	7,145,678,899.92
2007	6,416,606,350.22	193,319,031.38	43,571,608.50	6,653,496,990.10
Total	39,813,930,575.81	1,073,533,082.47	63,521,150.00	40,970,984,808.28

Total Reported Revenue for Alaska offshore 8(g) and Non 8(g) **\$5,299,272,229**

Prepared by Jim Wilkop, MMS COS and Stacey Brown, MMS/DAD/MO

Source: MMS Accounting Year Statistical Reports, FY94-FY07 and Mineral Revenue Report for Calendar Year 1993

Actual dollars unless:

Royalties pre 2001 were for oil

Royalties post 2001 were for oil and gas only for Alaska 8(g) revenues

Pre 2001, published statistics were not broken out by 8(g) vs. Non 8(g)

Pre 2001, published statistics were reported on a CY not fiscal Year

Royalties, Rents and Bonuses prior to 1994: http://www.mms.mre.gov/Stats/pdfs/Alas_off.pdf

Royalties, Rents and Bonuses from 1994 through 2000: <http://www.mms.mre.gov/Stats/pdfs/Alas.pdf>

Disbursements prior to 2001: <http://www.mms.mre.gov/Stats/pdfs/dsbuff.pdf>

All Data from 2001 forward: <http://www.mms.mre.gov/MMSWebStatsHome.aspx>



Shell Oil in the United States
President John Hofmeister
(Rich Jordan/KTUU-TV)

by Steve Mac Donald
Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2008

ANCHORAGE, Alaska -- A unique conversation between 32 people took place Tuesday. Representatives from big oil, environmental groups, government and labor tied to the Alaska's oil industry gathered around a table to discuss the state's future.



North Slope Borough Mayor
Ed Itta (Rich Jordan/KTUU-
TV)

The U.S. uses 10,000 gallons of oil a second every day and Shell Oil in the United States, which sponsored the summit, made that point very clear.

The company's president, John Hofmeister, is on a kind of goodwill tour around Alaska. He faced his fair share of questions from participants, many of which questioned him about finances.



University of Alaska
Anchorage Chancellor Fran
Ulmer (Rich Jordan/KTUU-
TV)

North Slope Borough Mayor Ed Itta says the federal government isn't sharing revenues from off-shore lease sales with coastal communities like his.

"We believe it's reasonable and fair. While monetary gains is not the issue, of course, it's always nice to have revenues and continue to fund our government," he said. "We as a people are being asked to take a whole bunch of risk without any reward."



Alaska AFL-CIO President
Vince Beltrami (Rich
Jordan/KTUU-TV)

Perhaps the most compelling question posed at the roundtable had to do with jobs. Who, exactly, is going to retrieve all that oil and gas in the Beaufort and Chukchi Seas and on the North Slope?

"We've got about a 20,000 workers shortage so we have our work cut out for us just to even meet current demands," said Alaska Vocational Technical Centers director Fred Esposito.

With the possibility of a natural gas pipeline in Alaska's future, along