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77	Military & Vets	Grants to Local Emergency Planning Committees to develop all hazards emergency plans			200.0	200.0	200.0			NEW REQUEST
78	Military & Vets Total		3,694.1	667.0	1,723.0	6,084.1	4,419.1	965.0	0.0	
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80	Natural Res	Add Park Rangers to provide full-time security of the watershed in Chugach State Park		117.6	124.0	241.6	241.6			UPDATED: Added 117.6 for FY02; FY03 decreased from 200.0
81	Natural Res	Add 20 part-time highly trained, specialized firefighters at urban areas around the state		305.0	400.0	705.0	705.0			UPDATED: FY02 decreased from 400.0 due to partial year funding
82	Natural Res	Emergency Fire Fighter and Structure Fire Fighter Training	300.0			300.0	300.0			CIP Ref. No. 35741
83	Natural Res	Emergency Communications Equipment for Fire Fighters	400.0			400.0	400.0			CIP Ref. No. 35743
84	Natural Res	Fire Equipment Replacement and Maintenance	400.0			400.0	400.0			NEW REQUEST CIP Ref. No. 35742
85	Natural Res Total		1,100.0	422.6	524.0	2,046.6	2,046.6	0.0	0.0	
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87	Public Safety	Add 17 state troopers to handle increased security requirements statewide	294.4	1,608.8	2,252.4	4,155.6	4,128.2		27.4	UPDATED: Calculated for 4 months in FY02 SDPR Includes housing in Cantwell for 2 troopers CIP Ref. No. 36544
88	Public Safety	Add 2 state troopers and two civilians for additional analysis and field surveillance capability		242.5	387.6	630.1	630.1			UPDATED: 2 troopers and 2 civilians for 4 months in FY02
89	Public Safety	Add 2 troopers to increase security in the Valdez area		187.6	260.0	447.6	447.6			UPDATED: Calculated for 4 months in FY02
90	Public Safety	Homeland Security Supplemental Costs	135.0			135.0	135.0			NEW REQUEST: Unexpected costs for prisoner transportation, anti-terrorism training, weapons of mass destruction supplies and equipment CIP Ref. No. 36637
91	Public Safety	Temporary checkpoint at Yukon River Bridge	321.2			321.2				UPDATED: Costs updated - includes 109.0 for State Defense Force in DMVA CIP Ref. No. 36547
	Public Safety	Add 6 troopers and 1 civilian for a permanent post south of the Yukon River Bridge on the Dalton Highway	1,071.2	619.8	932.7	2,623.7	2,534.1		89.6	UPDATED: Positions calculated for 4 months in FY02 SDPR Includes housing and office (current checkpoint and housing established on a temporary basis) CIP Ref. No. 36545

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93	Public Safety	Add 6 state troopers for ground patrols along the pipeline	419.6	586.0	849.6	1,855.2		1,827.8		27.4	UPDATED: Positions calculated for 4 months in FY02. Includes housing for 2 troopers. SDPR CIP Ref. No. 36546
94	Public Safety	Add 29 troopers and 20 civilians in FY03 to handle increased security requirements statewide			6,185.0	6,185.0		6,185.0			
95	Public Safety	Add 4 troopers in FY03 for increased field surveillance and analysis capability			660.0	660.0		660.0			Four troopers for increased field surveillance
96	Public Safety	Add 6 constables and support for regional hub areas			802.4	802.4		802.4			
97	Public Safety	Add 20 VPSOs and associated support			1,651.9	1,651.9		1,651.9			
98	Public Safety	Continue to practice and expand TAPS defense drills through joint annual training with the State Troopers & FBI		64.9	64.9	129.8		129.8			Annual Training
99	Public Safety	Provide four border crossings with access to criminal information (APSIN and NCIC)	72.0	57.6	57.6	187.2		187.2			Installation, Computers, Line Costs CIP Ref. No. 36549
100	Public Safety	Provide modified Level B HazMat suits for 480 State and local law enforcement personnel (Phase 1 of 3)	432.0			432.0			432.0		CIP Ref. No. 36543
101	Public Safety	Public safety information system (APSIN) programming and data charges, recruitment for additional troopers, support for Lab Services and Search and Rescue, risk management and vehicle costs			460.4	460.4		460.4			UPDATED: Reduced by non-realizable federal funds - includes 1 position for Lab
102	Public Safety	Purchase computer hardware and software for an expanded intelligence system to allow law enforcement agencies to receive, store, analyze and disseminate information		200.0	60.0	260.0		260.0			FY2002 purchase of equipment; FY2003 annual line costs
103	Public Safety Total		2,745.4	3,567.2	14,624.6	20,937.1		20,360.7		432.0	144.4
104											
105	Transportation	Marine Highway Stabilization and Marine Vessel Operations: Add a Low Earth Orbital communication system	See Note	101.4	174.0	275.4				275.4	Annual operating costs, capital its incurred by provider, marine Highway Funds
106	Transportation	Central Region Highways and Aviation: Add municipal law enforcement officers for rural airports to meet FAA's mandatory 15 minute response time		794.3	1,059.0	1,853.3		1,853.3			UPDATED: increase based on information received from local law enforcement agencies. Line 112 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet.
107	Transportation	Northern Region Highways and Aviation: Add municipal law enforcement officers for rural airports to meet FAA's mandatory 15 minute response time		684.0	912.0	1,596.0		1,596.0			UPDATED: increase based on information received from local law enforcement agencies. Line 112 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet.

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108	Transportation	Southeast Region Highways and Aviation: Add municipal law enforcement officers for rural airports to meet FAA's mandatory 15 minute response time		443.2	591.0	1,034.2		1,034.2			UPDATED: increase based on information received from local law enforcement agencies. Line 112 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet.
109	Transportation	Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport Blast Assessment and Explosives Deflection Devices: Conduct engineering blast assessment at Anc airport and construct deflection devices in lieu of 300' parking setback	2,000.0			2,000.0			1,875.0	125.0	UPDATED: Reduced request. Internal Airport Rev Funds Federal funding possible. Line 113 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet. CIP Ref. No. 36525
110	Transportation	Bridge Disaster Replacement Plans and Equipment. Develop plans for replacement of priority bridges; purchase and stockpile moveable, temporary bridge spans in Fairbanks	3,500.0			3,500.0		316.0	3,184.0		Federal Highway Funds CIP Ref. No. 36526
111	Transportation	Transportation Management and Security: Establish a Transportation Security Office within DOT/PF		274.9	400.0	674.9		674.9			
112	Transportation	Statewide Design and Engineering Services: Establish a transportation security training program		150.0	150.0	300.0				300.0	UPDATED: Fund source change from federal to CIP receipts. Line 116 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet.
113	Transportation	Explosives and Hazardous Materials Transport Security Measures: Evaluate transportation operators' inventory and increase security measures for explosives, ammunition, hazardous materials	0.0			0.0		0.0		private costs unknown	UPDATED: 350.0 GF request withdrawn. Line 117 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet.
114	Transportation	Measurement Standards and Commercial Vehicle Enforcement: Expand Fox weigh station hours to 24/7		62.1	140.8	202.9		202.9			UPDATED: 2 1/2 positions only. Line 118 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet.
115	Transportation	Have DOT/PF maintenance personnel check key bridges on a daily basis and block access to roads under bridges				dept to do w/in budget					May have training costs
116	Transportation	Help communities complete port security plans for all ports that host cruise ships				0.0					Would be funded by local port or possibly with federal funds
117	Transportation	Statewide Administrative Services: Improve personnel security (background checks) for commercial driver's license operators and selected DOT/PF positions		35.0	35.0	70.0		70.0			May require legislation
118	Transportation	Fairbanks Airport Safety: Establish temporary gates and check points at Fairbanks airport		71.4	52.0	123.4				123.4	UPDATED: Able to reduce the number of guards and hours of operation. Line 122 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet. Internal Airport Rev Funds Federal funding possible

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119	Transportation	Increase inspections and random checks of Security Identification Display Area (SIDA) authorized vehicles at Anc and Fbx airports		0.0	0.0	0.0			0.0	UPDATED: Request deleted. Line 123 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet.
120	Transportation	Anchorage Airport Safety: Increase presence and visibility of law enforcement officers at Anc and Fbx airports		320.0	553.0	873.0			873.0	UPDATED: Line 124 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet split by component and amounts revised. Internal'l Airport Rev Funds
121	Transportation	Fairbanks Airport Operations: Increase presence and visibility of law enforcement officers at Anc and Fbx airports		66.6	247.0	313.6			313.6	UPDATED: Line 124 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet split by component and amounts revised. Internal'l Airport Rev Funds
122	Transportation	Fairbanks Airport Safety: Increase presence and visibility of law enforcement officers at Anc and Fbx airports		222.6	341.7	564.3			564.3	UPDATED: Line 124 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet split by component and amounts revised. Internal'l Airport Rev Funds
123	Transportation	Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport Explosives Detection Equipment: Install additional baggage explosive detection machines at Anc airport	4,375.0			4,375.0		4,101.6	273.4	UPDATED: Internal'l Airport Rev Funds Federal funding possible. Line 125 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet. CIP Ref. No. 36528
124	Transportation	Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport Security Access Control Systems: Install state-of-the-art access control systems at Anc airport	14,500.0			14,500.0		13,593.8	906.2	UPDATED: Includes access control and proximity cards, perimeter gates, fencing, surveillance system. Internal'l Airport Rev Funds Federal funding possible. Line 126 on the 11-16-01 spreadsheet. CIP Ref. No. 36529
125	Transportation	Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport Communication Equipment: Provide handheld communication equipment for expanded use of National Guard soldiers at airports when not needed at security screening points	200.0			200.0		187.5	12.5	UPDATED: Includes Anc and Fbx airports in addition to rural airports. Federal funding possible. Line 127 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet. Internal'l Airport Rev Funds CIP Ref. No. 36621
	Transportation	Fairbanks International Airport Communication Equipment: Provide handheld communication equipment for expanded use of National Guard soldiers at airports when not needed at security screening points	50.0			50.0		46.9	3.1	UPDATED: Includes Anc and Fbx airports in addition to rural airports. Federal funding possible. Line 127 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet. Internal'l Airport Rev Funds CIP Ref. No. 36622

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127	Transportation	Rural Airports Communication Equipment: Provide handheld communication equipment for expanded use of National Guard soldiers at airports when not needed at security screening points	34.0			34.0	2.1	31.9		UPDATED: Includes Anc and Fbx airports in addition to rural airports. Federal funding possible. Line 127 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet. CIP Ref. No. 36530
128	Transportation	Port of Anchorage Access Road Security: Provide increased security at the Port of Anchorage Access Road	30.0			30.0	30.0			CIP Ref. No. 36531
129	Transportation	Alaska Marine Highway System Security: Conduct a detailed security study and risk analysis of Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS) operations	75.0			75.0	6.8	68.2		UPDATED: Fund source change. Implementation costs to be determined in study. Line 129 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet. CIP Ref. No. 36532
130	Transportation	Marine Highway Stabilization and Marine Vessel Operations: Purchase short-term War Risk Insurance for AMHS and analyze need for longer term insurance		331.1	496.7	827.8			827.8	UPDATED: Based on FY02 actuals and prorated for FY03. Already purchased for remainder of FY2002. Line 130 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet. Marine Highway Funds
131	Transportation	Anchorage Airport Administration: Purchase short-term War Risk Insurance for Anc and Fbx airports and analyze need for longer term insurance		318.3	477.5	795.8			795.8	UPDATED: Based on FY02 actuals and prorated for FY03. Already purchased for FY2002. Line 131 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet. Internal Airport Rev Fund
132	Transportation	Fairbanks Airport Administration: Purchase short-term War Risk Insurance for Anc and Fbx airports and analyze need for longer term insurance		77.1	115.7	192.8			192.8	UPDATED: Based on FY02 actuals and prorated for FY03. Already purchased for FY2002. Line 131 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet. Internal Airport Rev Fund
133	Transportation	Central Region Highways and Aviation: Purchase short-term War Risk Insurance for rural airports and analyze need for longer term insurance		40.0	60.0	100.0	100.0			UPDATED: Based on FY02 actuals and prorated for FY03. Already purchased for FY2002. Line 131 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet.
134	Transportation	Northern Region Highways and Aviation: Purchase short-term War Risk Insurance for rural airports and analyze need for longer term insurance		40.4	60.6	101.0	101.0			UPDATED: Based on FY02 actuals and prorated for FY03. Already purchased for FY2002. Line 131 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet.

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135	Transportation	Southeast Region Highways and Aviation: Purchase short-term War Risk Insurance for rural airports and analyze need for longer term insurance		4.4	6.6	11.0	11.0			UPDATED: Based on FY02 actuals and prorated for FY03. Already purchased for FY2002. Line 131 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet.
136	Transportation	Respond immediately to unauthorized vehicles at curbside and restricted areas at Anc and Fbx airports		0.0	0.0	0.0			0.0	UPDATED: Request deleted. Line 133 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet.
137	Transportation	Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport Security Access Fingerprinting Equipment and Training: Review access control and employee training at Anc, Fbx and rural airports	100.0			100.0		100.0		UPDATED: Includes fingerprinting for security identification display area for Anc, Fbx and rural airports. Line 134 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet. CIP Ref. No. 36533
138	Transportation	Fairbanks International Airport Security Access Fingerprinting Equipment and Training: Review access control and employee training at Anc, Fbx and rural airports	50.0			50.0		50.0		UPDATED: Includes fingerprinting for security identification display area for Anc, Fbx and rural airports. Line 134 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet. CIP Ref. No. 36623
139	Transportation	Rural Airport Security Access Fingerprinting Equipment and Training: Review access control and employee training at Anc, Fbx and rural airports	850.0			850.0		850.0		UPDATED: Includes fingerprinting for security identification display area for Anc, Fbx and rural airports. Line 134 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet. CIP Ref. No. 36624
140	Transportation	International Airport Terminal Security: Review and modify Anc and Fbx airport terminal configurations to meet security requirements	2,020.0			2,020.0		1,893.8	126.2	UPDATED: Cost estimate reduced. Line 135 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet. Internal Airport Rev Funds CIP Ref. No. 36534
141	Transportation	Anchorage Airport Facilities: Security door maintenance at Anc airport			235.0	235.0			235.0	NEW REQUEST: related to access control system capital budget request Internal Airport Rev Funds
142	Transportation	Anchorage Airport Safety: K-9 Bomb dog program			120.0	120.0	100		120.0	NEW REQUEST: related to increased presence and visibility of law enforcement and bomb detection needs Internal Airport Rev Funds
143	Transportation	Fairbanks International Airport Security Access Control: Install lock/key system for passenger terminal, new security badging system, and construct guard shelters	170.0			170.0		159.4	10.6	UPDATED: Related to security access control. Line 126 on 11-16-01 spreadsheet. CIP Ref. No. 36620 Internal Airport Rev Funds

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144	Transportation	Central Region Hwys & Aviation: Federal requirement for airport operators and aircraft operators to conduct fingerprint-based criminal history record checks on individuals with unescorted access authority to the Security Identification Display Area of an airport, and badge those with access to the Airport Operations Area.		22.0	22.0	44.0				NEW REQUEST: per 14 CFR Parts 107 and 108, as revised 11/14/01 and amended 12/06/01 GF/PR
145	Transportation	Northern Region Hwys & Aviation: Federal requirement for airport operators and aircraft operators to conduct fingerprint-based criminal history record checks on individuals with unescorted access authority to the Security Identification Display Area of an airport, and badge those with access to the Airport Operations Area.		20.5	15.0	35.5				NEW REQUEST: per 14 CFR Parts 107 and 108, as revised 11/14/01 and amended 12/06/01 GF/PR
146	Transportation	Southeast Region Hwys & Aviation: Federal requirement for airport operators and aircraft operators to conduct fingerprint-based criminal history record checks on individuals with unescorted access authority to the Security Identification Display Area of an airport, and badge those with access to the Airport Operations Area.		15.2	15.2	30.4	30.4			NEW REQUEST: per 14 CFR Parts 107 and 108, as revised 11/14/01 and amended 12/06/01 GF/PR
147	Transportation	Fairbanks Airport Safety: Federal requirement for airport operators and aircraft operators to conduct fingerprint-based criminal history record checks on individuals with unescorted access authority to the Security Identification Display Area of an airport.		21.7	7.8	29.5			29.5	NEW REQUEST: per 14 CFR Parts 107 and 108, as revised 11/14/01 and amended 12/06/01 Internal'l Airport Rev Fund
148	Transportation	Anchorage Airport Safety: Federal requirement for airport operators and aircraft operators to conduct fingerprint-based criminal history record checks on individuals with unescorted access authority to the Security Identification Display Area of an airport.		279.0	93.0	372.0			372.0	NEW REQUEST: per 14 CFR Parts 107 and 108, as revised 11/14/01 and amended 12/06/01 Internal'l Airport Rev Fund
149	Transportation Total		27,954.0	3,395.2	6,380.6	38,729.8	6,408.4	2,614.2	6,776.6	
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151	Marine Hwy Stabilization	General Funds deposit into the Marine Highway System Fund		432.5	670.7	1,103.2	1,103.2			NEW REQUEST
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154	Grand Total		62,286.0	10,013.5	29,838.6	102,138.1	46,711.5	48,802.6	6,624.0	
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March 29, 2001

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Douglas Robinson, Alaska Municipal League
Alaska Land Mobile Radio Executive Council

Re: Municipality of Anchorage Land Mobile Radio Migration Plan

Dear Councilmen:

The purpose of this letter is to clarify our Land Mobile Radio Migration Plan, developed and approved in 1999, to the members of the Alaska Land Mobile Radio Executive Council. The Municipality of Anchorage is planning to replace our land mobile radio systems in 2006. The system replacement is five years away and we feel it is premature for us to commit to a particular vendor, technology or frequency band at this time. We prefer to evaluate all options available to us in the coming years and purchase the system that best meets the needs for the Municipality of Anchorage's public safety and emergency response requirements.

Our plan, by no means, should be construed as a lack of support for the Alaska Land Mobile Radio Project. We are in support of the project and have been actively involved since 1997. We are committed to having communications interoperability for mutual aid, emergency response and crisis management with the federal, state, and other local agencies that will utilize the Alaska Land Mobile Radio (ALMR) System. We are also committed to participate in the ALMR system design, deployment, operations and maintenance of the interoperable backbone communications infrastructure.

During our evaluation process, we will determine the best course of action for the Municipality of Anchorage. At the present time, we believe our best course of action is to purchase a narrow band digital radio system using a different frequency band (800Mhz) than the ALMR system that will use the VHF frequency band. The systems can interface with each other through the main system controller and provide seamless

communications within our jurisdiction. If Anchorage is called upon to provide mutual aid or emergency response outside it's jurisdiction, we will be prepared for that, as well. When the ALMR system becomes operational in Anchorage, we intend on purchasing the necessary VHF mobiles and portables for our emergency services operations.

We are not ruling out total migration to the ALMR system. If, through your cooperative process, all current issues, such as funding shortfalls, manpower impacts, frequency approvals, system maintenance, administrative control and having a dedicated project management technical staff have been resolved, the Municipality of Anchorage will seriously consider utilizing the ALMR for day to day public safety operations.

Please feel free to contact me at 343-4433 if you have questions.

Sincerely,



Harry J. Kieling
Municipal Manager

Municipality of Anchorage



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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

March 19, 2002

Lieutenant General Norton A. Schwartz
Alaskan Command Commander
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Dear General Schwartz:

Thank you for your letter of February 27, 2002, regarding the Alaska Land Mobile Radio System (ALMRS). On February 12, 2002, I wrote Governor Knowles regarding Homeland Security funding issues wherein the ALMRS was mentioned briefly (copy attached).

While some may have thought my letter signaled a new or different concern, the Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) has been expressing these concerns in a consistent manner regarding ALMRS interoperability and costs since 1997. My administration reiterated the MOA position in a March 29, 2001, letter from Municipal Manager Harry Kieling to the Alaska Land Mobile Radio Executive Council (copy attached).

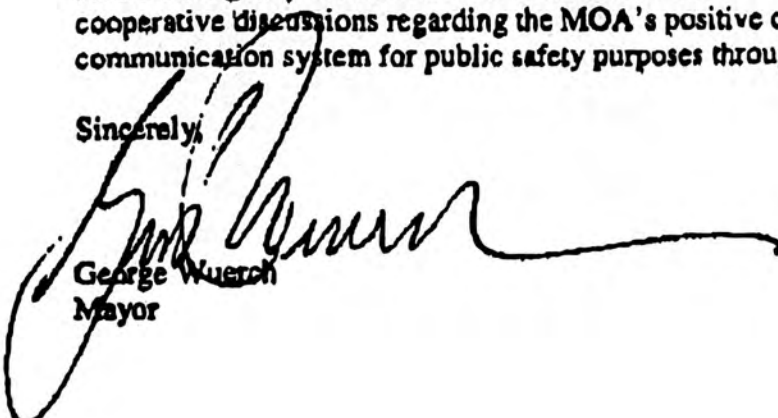
Rather than repeating Manager Kieling's letter from last year, I want to amplify our position regarding one matter. While I understand a "gateway" or "patch" solution can address the interoperability issues in Anchorage, we must still determine initial and recurring costs, maintenance requirements and the procedures to ensure that this level of system integration is effective throughout the Anchorage area.

Nonetheless, if the state and federal government fully implement ALMRS, at a minimum, the MOA will be prepared for mutual aid responses through the advance purchase of VHF portable radios and base units that are ALMRS compliant. While it's true that the MOA participated fully in the development of the ALMRS through the Alaska Municipal League, our concerns about the ALMRS/Anchorage interface has been long-standing. Mr. Kieling's March 29, 2001, letter issued before the signing of the latest project protocols (to which the MOA isn't a signatory) was intended to clarify the MOA's position for future guidance.

Lieutenant General Norton A. Schwartz
Alaskan Command Commander
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The MOA continues to participate in the statewide planning process for ALMRS. While our approach toward the project is one of cooperation and mutual support, our position remains the same regarding evaluation of the ALMRS capabilities against the MOA's future emergency communication needs and costs. We look forward to continued cooperative discussions regarding the MOA's positive contribution to a seamless radio communication system for public safety purposes throughout Alaska.

Sincerely,



George Wuerch
Mayor

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February 12, 2002

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

The Honorable Tony Knowles
Governor of Alaska
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Dear Governor Knowles:

While I appreciate the work that you and your staff have done on the Terrorism Disaster Policy, I am concerned that the needs of Anchorage, as well as those of the Kenai and Mat-Su Boroughs, are not being adequately addressed.

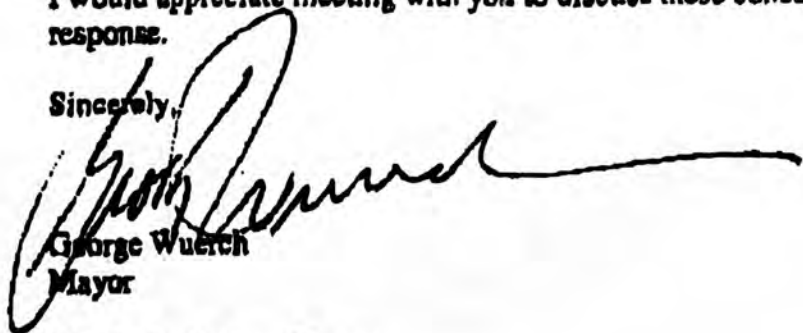
The Municipality spent a great deal of time and energy outlining \$10 million in needs to meet the Weapons of Mass Destruction concerns and yet we can link only a few of these items to the current proposal. Among our concerns are:

- The addition of park rangers to the Chugach State Park to provide full time security to the watersheds when it is entirely more likely that destructive actions will take place along the water lines and facilities.
- It is not clear how adding more than 100 police and village safety officers will reduce bioterrorism threats
- The Land Mobile System Radio System may be unusable in Anchorage because of the narrow band width operation and with current advances in technology, may be out of date before it is operational.

More important in this process is the fact that only \$6.88 million federal bioterrorism funding will be available in FY02. We believe that it makes even more sense to fund the highest and most strategically important areas of the state first.

I would appreciate meeting with you to discuss these concerns and look forward to your response.

Sincerely,


George Wuerch
Mayor

CC. Anchorage Caucus

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*** ALASKA AIR NATIONAL GUARD
* GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY ***

The members of the Twenty-second Alaska State Legislature join in celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Alaska Air National Guard. It is with genuine appreciation that we acknowledge the exceptional dedication, patriotism, and integrity that these men and women exhibit while serving Alaska and our nation.

Some 50 years ago, sixteen men armed with a dream and a single World War II T-6G Texan trainer, came together and formed the 8144th Air Base Squadron - the nucleus of the Alaska Air National Guard. Later, they became the 144th Fighter-Bomber Squadron from February 1953 until July 1957.

In 1955, the year the Eastern Bloc countries came together to form the Warsaw Pact, the Squadron moved into its new home. The base was subsequently named in honor of First Lieutenant Albert Kulis, an Air Guard pilot who had lost his life only a short time before. Within months, the unit underwent another transformation. F-86 Sabre jets replaced the older F-80 Shooting Stars, and the unit was rechristened the 144th Fighter Interceptor Squadron.

The new era, like those before it, would be short. A national policy shift changed the focus of the Air Guard from air combat to airlift. The 144th saw its sleek fighters replaced with the lumbering C-47 "Gooney Birds" and eventually the C-123J Providers. The Alaska Air received its first C-130 Hercules in 1975. With newer Hercules aircraft to follow from the factory, the unit continues its service to Alaska and our nation.

The Alaska Air Guard added two additional flying units - the 168th Air Refueling Wing at Eielson Air Force Base in 1986 and the 210th Rescue Squadron in 1990 at Kulis ANG Base. The Air Guard is headquartered at Camp Denali and operates the Rescue Coordination Center there. The Regional Air Operations Center, at Elmendorf AFB is in the second year of takeover operations by the Alaska Air Guard. The Air Guard's 206th Combat Communications Squadron is also located at Elmendorf AFB. The Alaska Air Guard is at the very front end of taking on the Space mission at Clear Air Force Station.

The Air Guard employs over 2,200 Alaskans on a full and part-time basis. They're annually responsible for rescuing nearly 100 of their fellow citizens. They continue to deploy and serve in virtually all of the world's hotspots. Today, the dreams and aspirations of the original 16 Guardsmen live on.

The Twenty-second Alaska State Legislature recognizes committed, innovative quality people devoted to assisting and protecting our families, communities, Alaska and our nation. It is with great pride that we salute their accomplishments and join in celebrating the Golden Anniversary of the Alaska Air National Guard.



**BRIAN PORTER
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Date:

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Cosponsors: Representatives Masack, Murkowski, Kott, Green, Cisano, Hayes,



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The members of the Twenty-second Alaska State Legislature join in celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Alaska Air National Guard. It is with genuine appreciation that we acknowledge the exceptional dedication, patriotism, and integrity that these men and women exhibit while serving Alaska and our nation.

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In 1955, the year the Eastern Bloc countries came together to form the Warsaw Pact, the Squadron moved into its new home. The base was subsequently named in honor of First Lieutenant Albert Kulis, an Air Guard pilot who had lost his life only a short time before. Within months, the unit underwent another transformation. F-86 Sabre jets replaced the older F-80 Shooting Stars, and the unit was re-christened the 144th Fighter Interceptor Squadron.

The new era, like those before it, would be short. A national policy shift changed the focus of the Air Guard from air combat to airlift. The 144th saw its sleek fighters replaced with the lumbering C-47 "Gooney Birds" and eventually the C-123J Providers. The Alaska Air received its first C-130 Hercules in 1975. With newer Hercules aircraft to follow from the factory, the unit continues its service to Alaska and our nation.

The Alaska Air Guard added two additional flying units - the 168th Air Refueling Wing at Eielson Air Force Base in 1986 and the 210th Rescue Squadron in 1990 at Kulis ANG Base. The Air Guard is headquartered at Camp Denali and operates the Rescue Coordination Center there. The Regional Air Operations Center, at Elmendorf AFB is in the second year of takeover operations by the Alaska Air Guard. The Air Guard's 206th Combat Communications Squadron is also located at Elmendorf AFB. The Alaska Air Guard is at the very front end of taking on the Space mission at Clear Air Force Station.

The Air Guard employs over 2,200 Alaskans on a full and part-time basis. They're annually responsible for rescuing nearly 100 of their fellow citizens. They continue to deploy and serve in virtually all of the world's hotspots. Today, the dreams and aspirations of the original 16 Guardsmen live on.

The 22nd Alaska State Legislature recognizes committed, innovative quality people devoted to assisting and protecting our families, communities, Alaska and our nation. It is with great pride that we salute their accomplishments and join in celebrating the Golden Anniversary of the Alaska Air National Guard.

FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

Joint agency project funding of \$151M will be required for full implementation of the ALMR project. The State of Alaska and DOD are currently the main funding providers for the ALMR system infrastructure. An overview of the funding requirements are listed below and based on a needs assessment that was performed in 2000 - 2001 and a System Design Analysis (SDA) document delivered in March of 2001.

PROJECT PHASES AND ESTIMATED COSTS

Phase	Estimated Cost	Timeline
Phase 0: Concept Demonstration Project	\$5M	2002
Pacific Mobile Emergency Radio System (PACMERS) Buildout	\$4.5M	2002 - 2003
Phase 1: North Zone Buildout	\$12M	2002 - 2003
Phase 2: South Zone Buildout	\$18.6M	2003 - 2004
Phase 3: South East Zone Buildout	\$10.2M	2003 - 2005
Phase 4: Statewide Remote Area Implementation	\$16.7M	2003 - 2006
Subscriber Units	\$84M	2002 - ?
Estimated Totals	\$151M	

PROJECT GOVERNANCE & OVERSIGHT

The Alaska LMR Executive Council (ALMR-ESC) was formed to assess, assemble, and consolidate communications requirements that support daily operations disaster relief and crisis management. Further, its responsibility is to develop a combined ALMR migration plan that is responsive to the needs of the Department of Defense, other federal, state and local governments for disaster response/crisis management and day to day use.

The ALMR-ESC consists of one member from the Department of Defense, Alaskan Command, State of Alaska, the Federal Executive Association of Alaska, and the Alaska Municipal League. They are:

Col. SueAnn Olsavicky, Director of Communications, DOD
 Del Smith, Deputy Commissioner DPS, SOA
 Mike Lewis, Telecommunications Manager, FEA/USFW
 Doug Robinson, Communications Manager, AML/MOA

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ALMR SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION PHASED APPROACH

Phase 0: Concept Demonstration Project

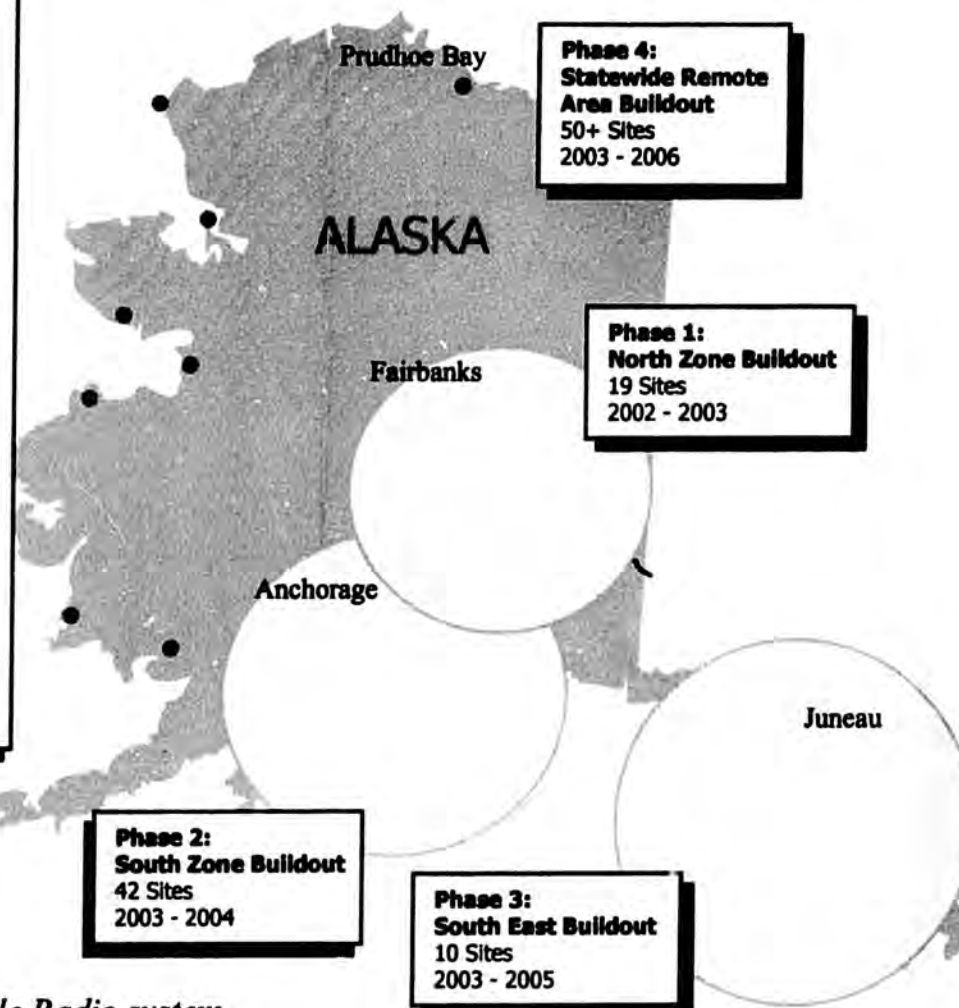
Multiple sites will be included as required to accomplish the Demonstration Project goals.

Goals include:

- Demo Project on the air July 2002
- Systems testing through end of 2002
- Business model evaluation completed

Functionality Tested:

1. Wide area connectivity
2. Airport/MOA Interoperability
3. Remote FAA ANICS connectivity
4. Performance testing - ANC, FBX, JNU
5. Fairbanks Interoperability of Public Safety Responders (Police, Fire, Military)
6. Air to ground connectivity
7. Evaluation of multiple vendor subscriber equipment
8. Maritime connectivity (1st Qtr '03)
9. Mobile data transmission over new infrastructure (1st Qtr '03)



Alaska Land Mobile Radio system infrastructure will be based on:

- ▶ **PROJECT 25 TIA 102 Standards**
- ▶ **Digital, Secure, VHF, Narrowband**
- ▶ **Trunked Radio System**

ALMR PROJECT OVERVIEW

Background

Life threatening incidents such as wild fires, avalanches and more recently, acts of terrorism, test the ability of public safety organizations to mount a well coordinated response. In the past years, natural disasters have occurred in the state that were not easily addressed, due in part to the lack of interoperable radio communication systems between responding federal, state and local public safety agencies. Public safety requires reliable coordination and communication among these agencies. Given the aging communications systems in place today, effective coordination and communications is not guaranteed.

The goal of the ALMR project is to build a cost shared P25 TIA 102 trunked land mobile radio communications system. This system will provide each agency autonomous day to day communications as well as the ability to transition seamlessly to a full featured interoperable system for public safety responders. This project will enhance the ability for each agency to respond to day to day, mutual aid and emergency/medical incidents more effectively. Further, the ability to support mutual Homeland Defense Initiatives, natural and man made disasters will be greatly enhanced. Sharing of a common radio infrastructure will eliminate duplications of capital investment projects reducing total radio communications cost for each participating agency.

Project Objectives

- Create a cooperative partnership across federal, state and local jurisdictions.
- Build and operate a secured interoperable trunked radio system.
- Enhance personnel safety and operational capabilities.
- Plan a phased implementation - Highway system, Southeast Alaska and Kodiak, Rural areas.
- Cost share infrastructure cost among the federal, state and local governments.
- Educate the legislature and key policy-makers in state and federal governments in order to gain strong support and adequate funding.

ALMR Stakeholders (Listing subject to change)

State of Alaska

Department of Administration
Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED)
Department of Corrections
Department of Education and Development (DEED)
Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)
Department of Fish and Game (DF&G)
Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS)
Department of Natural Resources (DNR)
Department of Public Safety (DPS)
Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF)
Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA)
Department of Revenue
Alaska Railroad
Alaska Court System
University of Alaska
Office of the Governor

Alaska Municipal League

Municipality of Anchorage
Matanuska-Susitna Borough
City of Wasilla
City of Palmer
Kenai Peninsula Borough
City of Homer
City of Kenai
City of Seldovia
City of Hope
City of Seward
Moose Pass Fire/EMS
Ninilchik Ambulance
Anchor Point
Nikiski
Ketchikan

U.S. Federal Agencies

Department of the Air Force
Department of the Interior
Department of Transportation
Department of Commerce
City of Soldotna
Whittier
Bear Creek Fire
Fairbanks Borough
Chena Fire and Rescue
North Star Fire
Salcha Rescue
Steele Fire
City of Fairbanks
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City of Northpole
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Department of the Army
Department of Justice
Department of the Treasury
Department of Agriculture

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"Our commitment is to provide a wireless, cost effective public safety interoperable communications system for all of Alaska"

-- ALMR Executive Council



Alaska Land Mobile Radio Project

Working together to build a public safety radio communication system that will benefit all Alaskans.



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MEMORANDUM

Date: April 10, 2002
To: Suzi Lowell, Chief Clerk
From: Representative Mike Chenault, Chair 
Subject: Schedule for MLV Meetings

MLV Committee Schedule

DATE: Tuesday, April 16, 2002

***+ HB 325** "An Act relating to civil defense and disasters; and providing for an effective date."

***+ HB 326** "An Act relating to state plans and programs for the safety and security of facilities and systems in the state; and providing for an effective date."

DATE: Thursday, April 18, 2002

Bills previously heard

If you have any questions, please contact Marie Riley Military & Veterans Affairs committee aide at #3772.

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AGENDA

April 16, 2002



Capitol Room 124 3:00-5:00 p.m.

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call
- III. Introductions
- IV. Bills previously heard
 - a. **HB 324** "An Act making supplemental and other appropriations for homeland security; and providing for an effective date."
- V. ***+ HB 325** "An Act relating to civil defense and disasters; and providing for an effective date."
- VI. ***+ HB 326** "An Act relating to state plans and programs for the safety and security of facilities and systems in the state; and providing for an effective date."
- VII. Adjournment

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2002 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 2
Bill Version: HB 325
(H) Publish Date: 1/16/02

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____
Title Relating to civil defense and disasters
Sponsor Rules
Requester Governor
Dept. Affected: DMVA
BRU Disaster Planning and Control
Component Disaster Planning and Control
Component No. 1808

Expenditures/Revenues

(Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
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

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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 (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2002) cost: 0.0

Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2003 budget proposal: ☐

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This bill will allow the Governor to declare a disaster if there is a credible threat or actual terrorist attack and also to declare a disaster if there is outbreak of disease or a credible threat of such an outbreak. There is no immediate fiscal impact to the statutory amendment.

Prepared by: Carol Carroll
Division: Administrative Services
Approved by: Phillip Oates
Agency: Military & Veterans Affairs

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Date/Time 1/10/02 9:56 AM
Date 1/10/2002

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2002 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 1
 Bill Version: HB 325
 (H) Publish Date: 1/16/02

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: Health & Social Services
 Title Terrorism & Disaster Civil Defense Act BRU State Health Services
 Component Public Health Administrative Services
 Sponsor Rules Component No. 292
 Requester _____

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Personal Services						
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Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
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1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2002) cost: 0.0

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POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

In the event of a bioterrorist attack, imminent threat of attack, or a naturally occurring disease outbreak serious enough to warrant the declaration by the governor of a disaster emergency, the Division of Public Health would divert all necessary and available resources to responding to and controlling the disease. A zero fiscal note is shown because 1) there isn't a direct and immediate budgetary impact on the Division by the passage of this bill (in the event of a declared disaster emergency the Division would have access to the disaster relief fund), and 2) the governor has included a series of increments in the Homeland Security Budget Bill that would provide the Division of Public Health with additional resources necessary for strengthening the public health infrastructure and the Division's ability to identify and respond to a

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 Division: Public Health Date/Time 1/11/02 4:29 PM
 Approved by: Elmer A. Lindstrom, Deputy Commissioner Date 1/11/2002
 Agency: Department of Health and Social Services

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2002 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HB 325

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

bioterrorist attack.

In order to identify and control a disease introduced into the population through a terrorist attack, the public health system must be staffed with well-trained, competent professionals and have sophisticated disease monitoring and reporting systems, state-of-the art laboratory testing capacity, advanced communication systems for rapid notification of emergency responders, resources to treat victims, and better trained and equipped first responders.

Homeland security in public health has four interdependent parts, all of which would be strengthened by the appropriation requested in the Homeland Security Budget Bill:

Public Health Nursing: Public health nurses are the front-line workers in the public health system. Additional capacity is needed to support the ability for immediate response by the public health system to a terrorist or bioterrorist event at the community level. These resources would be utilized on a routine basis for the ongoing management of naturally occurring infectious disease outbreaks. These funds would also provide support for bioterrorism preparedness training for PHN staff, as well as improved computer and communication system support for public health centers.

Epidemiology: State physician and nurse epidemiologists provide expert medical direction and oversight to public health nurses in the field and private health care providers across Alaska regarding disease identification and control. Homeland security funds will provide staff with expertise in detecting and responding to bioterrorist attacks (as well as chemical or nuclear attacks by terrorists). They would provide medical directives for guiding the response in the event of an attack, would provide oversight for the distribution and use of pharmaceuticals, and would be able to contract for the services of additional medical expertise in the event of an emergency.

Community Health & Emergency Medical Services: Disaster Communications specialists and technical support are required to develop and support a coordinated telecommunications systems required for rapid notification of first responders, private health care professionals, and state and local government agencies responsible for responding to disasters and public health emergencies. Additional funding for regional EMS grantees is required to provide specialized training and technical assistance in the area so bioterrorism and mass casualty response and responder safety.

Public Health Laboratories: Public health laboratories are a critical component of the public health system's ability to detect and address a disease outbreak, either naturally occurring or caused by a bioterrorist attack. Additional resources are required to provide full staffing, lab testing supplies and equipment necessary for a sudden influx of test requests, and additional microbiologists with virology and bacteriology expertise at both the Anchorage and Fairbanks labs. As with the other areas, strengthened capacity for responding to a bioterrorist attack would be used on a routine basis for support of on-going disease surveillance and response activities, as well as training in new testing technologies, especially testing for biological agents that might be used in a terrorist attack.

SECTIONAL ANALYSIS OF HB 325
Re civil defense and disasters

Section 1 amends AS 26.20.040 (civil defense; emergency powers of the governor) to provide that the governor may exercise his existing civil defense powers in the event of a terrorist attack against the state or a credible threat of such an attack. Presently, the statute provides that the governor can exercise these powers only in the event of an "actual enemy attack against the state." The governor's powers in a declared civil defense emergency are enumerated in existing AS 26.20.040(1)-(5) and are similar to the governor's powers in a declared disaster emergency under AS 26.23.020

Section 2 amends AS 26.23.020(g), listing the powers of the governor in the event of a disaster emergency, to add the power to allocate or redistribute pharmaceuticals, medicine, and supplies. Presently, the governor only is authorized to allocate or redistribute food, water, fuel, or clothing in the event of a disaster emergency. This amendment also authorizes the governor to access, inspect, and share health care and medical records as necessary to protect public health and safety in the event of a disaster emergency.

Section 3 amends the definition section of the disaster statutes, AS 26.23.900, to include in the definition of "disaster" a terrorist or enemy attack, an outbreak of disease, or a credible threat of either such event. This authorizes the governor to declare a disaster emergency and to exercise the existing disaster emergency powers if a terrorist or enemy attack, an outbreak of disease, or a credible threat of either such event, causes or imminently threatens widespread or severe damage, injury, loss of life or property, or shortage of food, water, or fuel. Presently, such events are not included within the definition of "disaster," which hampers the ability of the state to respond if they occur.

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January 14, 2002

The Honorable Brian Porter
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Dear Speaker Porter:

I am transmitting a bill relating to disasters and civil defense, which results from recommendations of the Terrorism Disaster Policy Cabinet following the tragic events of September 11, 2001. It is one of six bills I am forwarding to the Legislature today to ensure Alaska is fully prepared in terrorism prevention and emergency response.

This bill would authorize the governor to declare that a state of emergency exists and to exercise emergency civil defense powers in the event of a terrorist attack or a credible threat of a terrorist attack on the state. Presently, the governor is authorized to declare a civil defense emergency and exercise these powers only in the event of an "actual enemy attack."

This bill also would amend the definition of "disaster" in state law to include a terrorist or enemy attack, an outbreak of disease, or a credible threat of such an event. This would authorize the governor to declare a disaster emergency and to exercise the disaster emergency powers if any of the above events occurred and causes or threatens severe damage, injury, loss of life or property, or shortage of food, water, or fuel. Presently, such incidents are not included within the definition of "disaster," hampering the state's ability to respond if they occur.

Finally, this bill would amend the enumerated powers of the governor in the event of a disaster emergency to include the ability to allocate or redistribute pharmaceuticals and other medicines and supplies. Presently, the governor is authorized to allocate or redistribute only food, water, fuel, or clothing in the event of a disaster emergency.

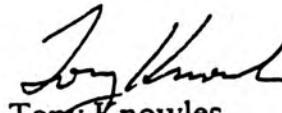
The Honorable Brian Porter

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It also would authorize the governor to access, inspect, and share health care and medical records as necessary to protect public health and safety in the event of a disaster emergency. Without this authority, the state is unable to effectively respond to a bioterrorist attack or an epidemic.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,



Tony Knowles
Governor

HB 325 Civil Defense and Disasters

What does this bill accomplish?

1. This bill amends AS 26.20 (Civil Defense) to authorize the governor to declare a state of emergency and to exercise emergency civil defense powers in the event of a terrorist attack or the credible threat of a terrorist attack on the state.
2. This bill amends AS 26.23 (Alaska Disaster Act) to add terrorist or enemy attack, outbreak of disease or a credible threat of such an event to the definition of "disaster."
3. This bill amends AS 26.23 to include in the enumerated powers of the governor, in the case of a disaster emergency, the power to allocate or redistribute pharmaceuticals and other medicines and the power to access, inspect and share medical records as necessary to protect public health and safety.

Why are these changes necessary?

1. The current world situation and recent events in the United States indicate that the governor of Alaska needs greater flexibility in order not only to respond rapidly to a terrorist attack, but to prepare for one as well. These changes would provide that flexibility.
2. AS 26.20 currently allows the governor to declare a civil defense emergency only in the event of an actual enemy attack. This bill would change AS 26.20 to allow the governor to declare that a state of emergency exists in the event of an enemy or terrorist attack, or credible threat of an enemy or terrorist attack against Alaska. This change is necessary to allow the state to make adequate preparations for a threatened enemy or terrorist attack, and to be able to respond just as quickly to an actual terrorist attack as to an actual enemy attack by another country.
3. AS 26.23 currently allows the governor to declare a disaster emergency for a variety of natural and man-made events. However, the list does not specifically include either actual enemy or terrorist attack, or outbreak of disease, or the credible threat of enemy or terrorist attack, or outbreak of disease. The same rationale for changing AS 26.20 applies to the need to change AS 26.23. In addition, because bioterrorism is a potential threat to the state, even in a scenario where the state is not the primary target of an attack (that is the attack occurs in another state, but the disease has the potential to spread to Alaska), the state needs to add

the outbreak or threatened outbreak of disease to the list of specific disaster emergencies. This bill will allow the state to more quickly prepare for threatened enemy and terrorist attacks (to include bioterrorism attacks) and to more effectively respond if, despite our best efforts, one occurs.

4. Under AS 26.23, in the event of a disaster emergency, the governor has the power to allocate or redistribute food, water, fuel, and clothing. Given the threat of bioterrorism the governor should also have the power to allocate or redistribute medical supplies. A bioterrorism event could trigger shortages of critical medicines and therefore the governor would have to make decisions on which parts of the population should receive the limited quantities of medicine available.

5. Finally, in the event of a bioterrorism event, the governor needs the power to inspect medical records and share certain contents of them within the public health community. This power is a key component of the public health system's surveillance and detection capability. It is a necessary power in an emergency to help the public health system determine the geographic extent of a disease, which parts of the population are most at risk, the point or points of origin of the disease, and who has been exposed to the disease. The answers to these and other questions will allow the system to make predictions about the rate and extent of the spread of the disease and on how to contain its spread and eliminate it.

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

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Date Referred to Committee: January 16, 2002

FURTHER REFERRALS: State Affairs
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Date of Committee Action: 9-3-18-02

The HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS Committee considered: HB 325

HOUSE BILL NO. 325

TERRORISM, CIVIL DEFENSE, AND DISASTERS

"An Act relating to civil defense and disasters; and providing for an effective date."

Recommends it be replaced with CS HB325 (mlw) ☐ Same Title ☐ New Title
For Senate Bills with new title: ☐ Technical Title ☐ New Title: HCR_____

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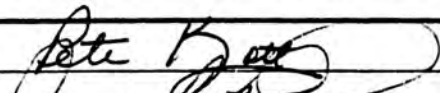
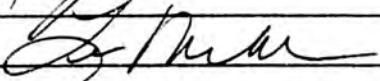
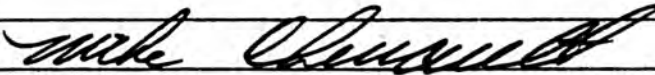
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PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTES

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Signing with recommendations		Printed Last Name	DP	DNP	NR	AM
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	Green	✓				
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AGENDA

April 18, 2002



Capitol Room 124 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Call to order

Roll call

Introductions

HB 325 "An Act relating to civil defense and disasters; and providing for an effective date."

Committee Substitute discussion

HB 324 "An Act making supplemental and other appropriations for homeland security; and providing for an effective date."

Committee Substitute discussion

Adjournment

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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

Date Referred to Committee: January 16, 2002

FURTHER REFERRALS: State Affairs
Judiciary

Date of Committee Action: 4-16-02

The HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS Committee considered: HB 326

HOUSE BILL NO. 326

SECURITY OF FACILITIES AND SYSTEMS

"An Act relating to state plans and programs for the safety and security of facilities and systems in the state; and providing for an effective date."

Recommends it be replaced with CS HB326 (MLV) | ☐ Same Title ☒ New Title
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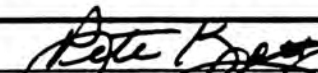
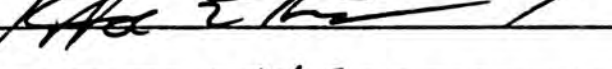
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	Green	✓			
	Hunter	✓			
	Cissna	✓			
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Dear Speaker Porter:

This bill I transmit today contains recommendations of the Administration's Terrorism Disaster Policy Cabinet convened in response to the attacks of September 11th. It is one of six bills I am forwarding for the Legislature's consideration to ensure Alaska is fully prepared in terrorism prevention and emergency response. This bill relates to plans and programs for the security of state facilities and systems.

This bill would assist the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) and its Alaska International Airports System and rural airport network in responding to the need for increased security since the tragic events of September 11. It would also enable all state agencies, including the DOT&PF, to maintain the confidentiality of their sensitive security plans.

Specifically, the bill would allow the DOT&PF to impose civil administrative penalties of up to \$1,100 per incident for violations of an airport security program. Currently, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) may assess a civil penalty of up to \$1,100 against the DOT&PF for violating any of the department's FAA-approved airport security programs. Although the FAA considers the DOT&PF to be the violator for federal regulatory purposes, nearly all violations are the result of conduct of employees of airport tenants and contractors. Usually, the DOT&PF passes these fines on to its tenants and contractors. This situation, however, is an unsatisfactory way to get airport tenants and contractors to correct security problems because it requires the DOT&PF to invite the FAA to punish that department in order to charge the penalty to the violator.

The Honorable Brian Porter

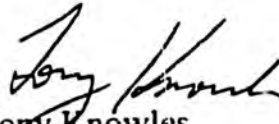
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The DOT&PF should be able to directly assess civil penalties against its contractors, lessees, and licensees, and their agents and employees, for violating a security program. This will make those responsible for security more vigilant and responsive to the increased needs. It is anticipated the DOT&PF would adopt regulations that would set out the procedures for the assessment of penalties and would establish an appeals process to meet the constitutional requirements of due process.

The bill also would add an exclusion to the list of state records that are available for public inspection and copying to allow for confidentiality of certain security and safety documents and information. Similarly, the bill allows a new exemption from the public notice provisions and procedures for adopting regulations so that regulations regarding certain security plans, programs and procedures may be protected information. Specific exemptions from these requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act already exist, such as prison security plans for the Department of Corrections.

Thank you for your prompt consideration of this bill.

Sincerely,


Tony Knowles
Governor

SECTIONAL ANALYSIS OF HB 326

(Re state plans and programs for safety and security of facilities and systems)

Section 1 adds a new section to the Alaska Aeronautics Act (AS 02.15) to allow the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT/PF) to impose civil administrative penalties of up to \$1100 per incident for violations of an airport security program. Currently, under federal law the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) may assess a civil penalty of up to this amount for violation of the airport security programs (which are FAA approved). However, the penalty is levied against the state even though nearly all violations are the result of the conduct of airport tenants and contractors. Presently DOT/PF can only pass these fines through to the tenants and contractors under applicable contracts. This amendment will allow DOT/PF to directly fine the responsible parties. This should encourage quicker resolution of airport security violations.

Section 2 amends the exceptions to the public records statute (AS 40.25.120) to provide that records or information pertaining to a security plan, program, or procedures or to a detailed description or evaluation of systems, facilities, or infrastructure in the state are not publicly accessible, to the extent one of the following factors exists. These records or information will be excluded from disclosure to the extent that dissemination: (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with the implementation or enforcement of the security plan, program, or procedures; (B) would disclose confidential guidelines for investigations or enforcement and the disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law; or (C) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of an individual or to present a real and substantial risk to the public health and welfare.

Section 3 amends AS 44.17 (organization and administration of departments) to add a new section providing that the principal executive officer of each state agency, or board or commission with regulation adoption authority, may adopt a security plan, program, or procedure within its statutory authority by order. The order adopting the security plan, program, or procedure is not subject to the Administrative Procedure Act (APA, AS 44.62), therefore a public notice, review, and comment process is not required. For this section to apply, the principal executive officer must certify that compliance with the APA either: (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with the implementation or enforcement of the security plan, program, or procedures; (B) would disclose confidential guidelines for investigations or enforcement and the disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law; or (C) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of an individual.

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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

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Date Referred to Committee: January 16, 2002

FURTHER REFERRALS: State Affairs

Date of Committee Action: 4-4-02

The HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS Committee considered:
HB 327

HOUSE BILL NO. 327

STATE EMPLOYEES CALLED TO MILITARY DUTY

"An Act relating to state employees who are called to active duty as reserve or auxiliary members of the armed forces of the United States; and providing for an effective date."

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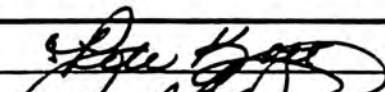
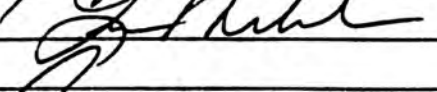
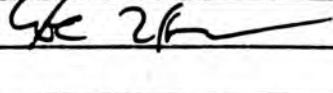
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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2002 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 1
 Bill Version: HB 327
 (H) Publish Date: 1/16/02

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: All
 Title An act relating to state employees BRU All
called to active duty..." Component All
 Sponsor Rules Component No. All
 Requester _____

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Personal Services						
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Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2002) cost: 0.0

Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2003 budget proposal: ☐

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Costs associated with supplemental wage or benefit payments would be charged against funds already appropriated for that purpose. Additional costs associated with substitute employees would be covered by additional vacancy or other use of appropriated funds.

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 Approved by: Jim Duncan, Commissioner
 Agency: Department of Administration

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January 14, 2002

The Honorable Brian Porter
Speaker of the House
Alaska State Legislature
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Dear Speaker Porter:

This bill I transmit today contains recommendations of the Administration's Terrorism Disaster Policy Cabinet convened in response to the attacks of September 11th. It is one of six bills I am forwarding for the Legislature's consideration to ensure Alaska is fully prepared in terrorism prevention and emergency response.

This measure allows the Governor to ensure that state employees who are members of reserve and auxiliary military units, including the Alaska National Guard and Alaska Naval Militia, will not be financially penalized while on certain active duty. These courageous Alaskans could continue to receive their state salaries, or the equivalent, and some or all of their state benefits.

This is the right thing to do for our reserve and auxiliary servicemembers who are called to active duty. The governors of many other states already possess this authority. Alaska should join their ranks.

This authority would be discretionary and triggered by an order of the governor. I do not anticipate a governor would invoke this provision for a short-term mobilization of the National Guard for, say, disaster assistance. I would expect that it generally would be invoked only for large-scale activations such as those we have seen recently across the country. The intent of the bill is that state employees called to active duty should not be financially harmed.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tony Knowles".
Tony Knowles
Governor

HB 327, relating to State Employees who are called to Active Duty as Reserve or Auxiliary Members of the Armed Forces of the United States

What does this bill accomplish?

HB 327 will allow the Governor to ensure that state employees who are members of reserve and auxiliary military units, including the Alaska National Guard and Alaska Naval Militia, will not be financially penalized when called to active military duty in certain circumstances.

Why is it needed?

The events of September 11, 2001 had many far-reaching impacts. An area of concern to the Governor was that sudden activation of military reservists and National Guard members who are employees of the State of Alaska could create financial and other hardships for the employees and for their families.

The intent of HB 327 is to allow the Governor, by Administrative Order, to reduce, or eliminate any hardships on the employee and the employee's family created by a drastic reduction in income, health insurance coverage, or any negative effects on future retirement benefits.

The effect of the bill is retroactive to September 11, 2001.

SECTIONAL ANALYSIS OF HB 327

(Re state employees called to active military duty)

Section 1 adds a new section to AS 39.90 (public officers and employees; miscellaneous provisions) to provide that the governor, by administrative order, may authorize state employees in the military reserve or auxiliary component, including the Alaska National Guard and the Alaska Naval Militia, and who are called to active duty, to continue to receive the equivalent of their state compensation and some or all of their state benefits. These benefits may include credited service in the state retirement system, membership in the supplemental employee benefits system, and group life and health insurance. The Department of Administration may adopt emergency regulations to implement the order, including regulations regarding the scope of compensation and benefits and any allocation between the state and the state employee of contributions relating to the benefits.

Section 2 amends the uncodified law provides that this act applies to existing collective bargaining agreements only if they are modified to accept the provisions of this act.

Section 3 makes this act retroactive to September 11, 2001.

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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

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Date Referred to Committee: February 1, 2002

FURTHER REFERRALS: State Affairs
Finance

Date of Committee Action: 2-19-02

The HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 370

GUARANTEED REVENUE BONDS FOR VETERANS

"An Act relating to the issuance of state-guaranteed revenue bonds by the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to finance mortgages for qualifying veterans; and providing for an effective date."

Recommends it be replaced with _____ **CS** _____ **()** **[] Same Title [] New Title**
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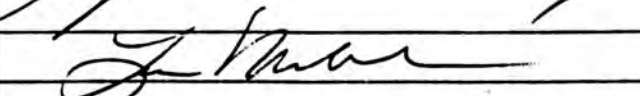
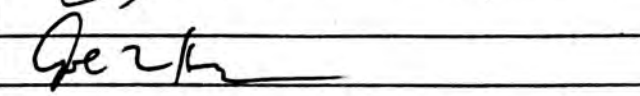
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Special Committee on Military & Veteran Affairs
Representative Mike Chenault, Chair

MEMORANDUM

Date: February 13, 2002

To: Suzi Lowell, Chief Clerk

From: Representative Mike Chenault, Chair

Subject: Schedule for the Special Committee on Military & Veteran's Affairs Meetings

The Special Committee on Military & Veteran's Affairs will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays in Capitol Room 124 from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

DATE: Tuesday, February 19th

AGENDA

HB 370 – “An Act relating to the issuance of state-guaranteed revenue bonds by the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to finance mortgages for qualifying veterans; and providing for an effective date.”

Bills previously held and heard

HB 324 – “An Act making supplemental and other appropriations for homeland security; and providing for an effective date.”

DATE: Thursday, February 21st

AGENDA

Bills previously held and heard

These meetings will be teleconferenced. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Leona Oberts, Military & Veteran's Affairs committee aide at #2811.

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AGENDA



February 19, 2002

Capitol Room 124 3:00-5:00 p.m.

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call
- III. Introductions
- IV. **HB 370** – “An Act relating to the issuance of state-guaranteed revenue bonds by the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to finance mortgages for qualifying veterans; and providing for an effective date.”
- V. Committee Comments
- VI. Public Testimony
- VII. **HB 324** – “An Act making supplemental and other appropriations for homeland security; and providing for an effective date.”
Items #17 – and Items #87-102
- VIII. Next meeting scheduled for February 21, 2002.
- IX. Adjournment

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2002 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 2
Bill Version: HB 370
(H) Publish Date: 2/1/02

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: GOV
Title An Act relating to the issuance of BRU Elections
revenue bonds by AHFC for veteran mortgages Component Elections
Sponsor Rules
Requester Governor Component No. 21

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
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

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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

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1004 GF	1.5					
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type—Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2002) cost: 0.0

Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2003 budget proposal: ☐

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This figure includes the cost of providing information about this issue in the Official Election Pamphlet, as required by AS 15.58. If this measure requires the printing an 8-1/2 by 18 inch ballot, the cost will increase by \$22.0.

Prepared by: Gail Fenumial, Election Programs Specialist Phone 465-3935
Division: Division of Elections Date/Time 11/20/01 3:36 PM
Approved by: Lieutenant Governor Fran Ulmer Date 11/20/2001
Agency: Office of the Lieutenant Governor

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2002 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 1
Bill Version: HB 370
(H) Publish Date: 2/1/02

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: Revenue
Title Authorizing a public vote on state-guaranteed BRU Alaska Housing Finance Corp
veterans mortgage bonds Component Operations
Sponsor Rules Committee
Requester Governor Component No. 110

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Personal Services						
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Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2002) cost: 0.0

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POSITIONS

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ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This legislation authorizes a statewide public vote on \$500 million in revenue bonds to finance the Veterans Mortgage Program (VMP). Alaska is one of five states in the nation that established this program under the federal tax code. AHFC administers the program on behalf of the state.

Costs associated with the issuance of these bonds are anticipated to be covered with annual operating budget authorizations. Anticipated costs will be related to voter information dissemination about the bonds and the program. No additional budget authorization is necessary for these activities.

If approved by voters, bond issuances in the future will be done based on loan demand.

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Division: AHFC
Approved by: Larry Persily, Deputy Commissioner
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January 29, 2002

The Honorable Brian Porter
Speaker of the House
Alaska State Legislature
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Dear Speaker Porter:

Alaska has the highest per capita percentage of veterans of any state in the nation. We must send the clear message that our state recognizes and appreciates those who have served. This bill I am transmitting is one in a package of legislation I am introducing this year to offer tribute to our veterans. It continues the state's history of authorizing bonds for guaranteed veteran housing loans.

The State of Alaska is one of only five states that receives favorable treatment under the Internal Revenue Code for guaranteed veterans bonds. This program is designed to provide the lowest possible interest rates to our veterans, without any income limitations.

The accompanying bill is the first step in allowing the state to continue to take advantage of this worthwhile program. It would provide for a statewide vote at the next general election on authorizing \$500 million in Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) bonds for qualifying veterans. This would be the fifth such bond approval; the voters authorized a total of \$2.2 billion in state-guaranteed AHFC veterans bonds in four separate elections between 1982 and 1986. The AHFC has issued nearly all of those bonds, requiring a new authorization.

The need for continuing this guaranteed housing loan program for veterans may well increase. Congress is considering expanding the current Internal Revenue Service Code definition of "qualified veterans," which now limits participants to those who served in the military before January 1, 1977 and were honorably discharged within the last 30 years. I support extending the program to veterans who have served in more recent years. If this effort succeeds, the veteran's mortgage program in this state would see a dramatic increase in home loans to qualifying individuals -- all the more reason to allow this question to be placed on the statewide ballot.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature of Tony Knowles in black ink.
Tony Knowles
Governor

Veterans Mortgage Program

The Veterans Mortgage Program offers financing for qualified veterans at lower interest rates. Active duty service in the Armed Forces, Public Health Service, NOAA or service as a cadet at the US Military, Air Force, Coast Guard or Naval Academy may qualify.

Eligible Borrowers:

- Veterans must have entered active duty service prior to January 1, 1977 and not have been discharged more than 30 years prior to the date of application to AHFC.
- Veterans must be credit qualified residents of the State of Alaska.

Eligible Properties:

- Owner-occupied single-family residences, condominiums, units within a PUD, duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes and Type I mobile homes.
- On 2-4 family dwellings, all units must have been in existence and initially occupied as a multi-family residence for at least the preceding five years.

Loan Amount:

- For maximum loan amounts for AHFC programs ([click here](#)).

Loan Terms:

- Fixed interest rate for 15 or 30 years.

Down Payment:

- Conventional loans – A minimum of 5% on single-family residences, 10% for duplexes, and 20% for triplexes and fourplexes.
- Down payment requirements for federally insured or guaranteed loans may be lower.

Criteria:

- If there is more than one borrower and the applicants are unmarried, both borrowers must be qualified veterans.
- The Certificate of Veterans Eligibility or a Title 38 letter and a copy of the applicants DD214 are used to determine program eligibility.

Assumptions:

- Assumable by qualified veterans.

Add on Options:

- Affordable Housing Enhanced Loan Program (AHELP)

- Energy Efficiency Interest Rate Reduction (EEIRR)
- Interest-Rate Reduction for Low-Income Borrowers (IRRLIB)

To apply for a mortgage under this program, contact any AHFC-approved lender.

For current interest rates for AHFC programs ([click here](#)).

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For additional information about Veterans programs and benefits, contact the following agencies.

VETERAN AGENCIES	ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	TELEPHONE
Dept of Veterans Affairs	2925 DeBarr Road	Anchorage	AK	1-907-257-4700
Vet Affairs Employment Hotline	2925 DeBarr Road	Anchorage	AK	1-907-257-6797
Veterans of Foreign Wars	2925 DeBarr Road	Anchorage	AK	1-907-276-8213
Vet Comprehensive Homeless Center Domiciliary	3001 C Street	Anchorage	AK	1-907-273-4000
Vet Center/Veterans Resource Outreach Center	4201 Tudor Center Drive	Anchorage	AK	1-907-563-6966
<u>U.S. Dept of Veterans Affairs</u>	941 North Capitol Street NW	Washington	D.C.	1-202-872-1151
<u>Alaska Division of Veteran Affairs</u>	P.O. Box 5800	Ft. Richardson	AK	1-907-428-6068
Vet Centers Anchorage: <u>Anchorage Vet Center</u> Fairbanks: <u>Fairbanks Vet Center</u> Soldotna: <u>Kenai Vet Center</u> Wasilla: <u>Wasila Vet Center</u>				

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Special Committee on Military & Veteran Affairs
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Special Committee on Military & Veteran Affairs
Representative Mike Chenault, Chair

MEMORANDUM

Date: February 28, 2002

To: Suzi Lowell, Chief Clerk

From: Representative Mike Chenault, Chair

Subject: Schedule for the Special Committee on Military & Veteran's Affairs Meetings

The Special Committee on Military & Veteran's Affairs will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays in Capitol Room 124 from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
+ All meetings will be teleconferenced.

DATE: Tuesday, March 5, 2002

AGENDA

HB 371- "An Act establishing the Alaska Veterans' memorial endowment fund and providing for credits against certain taxes for contributions to that fund; relating to other tax credits for certain contributions; and providing for an effective date."

Bills previously heard and held

HB 324 – "An Act making supplement and other appropriations for homeland security; and providing for an effective date."

There will be no meetings scheduled for Thursday, March 7th & Tuesday, March 12th.
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If you have any questions, please contact Leona Oberts, Military & Veteran's Affairs committee aide at #2811.

**Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs
Representative Mike Chenault, Chair**

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AGENDA



March 5, 2002

Capitol Room 124 3:00-5:00 p.m.

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call
- III. Introductions
- IV. **HB 371** – “An Act establishing the Alaska Veterans’ endowment fund and providing for credits against certain taxes for contributions to that fund; relating to other tax credits for certain contributions; and providing for an effective date.”
- V. Committee Comments
- VI. Public Testimony
- VII. **HB 324** – “An Act making supplemental and other appropriations for homeland security; and providing for an effective date.”
Department of Environmental Conservation Items #23-#28
- VIII. Next meeting scheduled for March 14, 2002.
- IX. Adjournment

Sectional Analysis

HB 371 Establishing Alaska Veterans memorial endowment fund

Sections 1-3 and 5-16 add language to existing statutes to allow a taxpayer a credit against certain state taxes for donations to the Veterans memorial endowment fund. The credit is limited to 50% of the first \$100,000 and 100% of the second \$100,000. The tax credit mirrors the structure of the existing education tax credit, and a taxpayer's total education tax credits and Veterans memorial endowment fund tax credits against all taxes are capped at \$150,000.

Sections 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, and 15 are parallel sections amending existing tax credit statutes to provide that the aggregate credit against any of the eligible taxes for contributions under the existing education tax credit provisions and under the proposed Veterans memorial endowment fund tax credit provisions continues to be limited to \$150,000.

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February 5, 2002

The Honorable Mike Chenault, Chair
House Special Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs
State Capitol, Room 121
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Representative Chenault:

The Department of Military and Veterans Affairs respectfully requests a hearing on HB 371 "An Act establishing the Alaska veterans' memorial endowment fund and providing for credits against certain taxes for contributions to that fund; relating to other tax credits for certain contributions; and providing for an effective date."

The bill sets up a fund to provide maintenance or construction of Veterans' memorials or monuments. It also allows a credit against state taxes to businesses who contribute to the fund.

On Monday, February, 11, the Alaska Veterans' community will be in Juneau for the annual veteran fly-in. Some members will extend their visit to Tuesday, February 12th. If you decide to grant a hearing on this bill, I request you consider these days for a hearing so the veterans may attend and provide testimony for your committee.

If I can provide further information please call me, Laddie Shaw, 428-6068 or Carol Carroll, 465-4730. I look forward to working with you on this bill.

Sincerely,



MG Phillip Oates
Commissioner

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January 29, 2002

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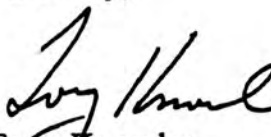
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 Requester Governor Component No. _____

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Supplies						
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Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous	125.0					
TOTAL OPERATING	125.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

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Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
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Sponsor Rules Committee
Requester Governor Component No. 2476

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Land & Structures						
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Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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<u>Endowment Fund</u>	Component: <u>Community & Business</u>
Sponsor: <u>Rules By Request</u>	<u>Development</u>
Requester: <u>Governor</u>	Component No. <u>2486</u>

Expenditures/Revenues

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TOTAL	*	*	*	*	*	*

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ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

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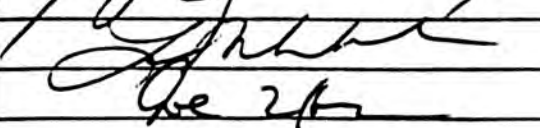
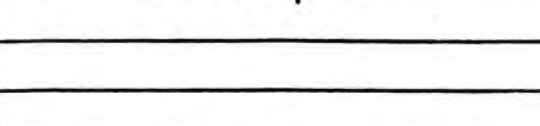
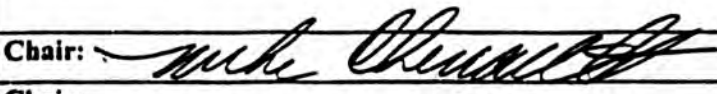
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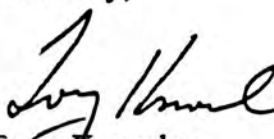
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Sectional Analysis

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Miscellaneous	125.0					
TOTAL OPERATING	125.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

** Although we do not believe there are a sufficient facts for estimating the potential revenue loss under this bill, the best source for revenue loss information is the Education Tax Credit data. The reason why Education Tax Credit data is useful is that the structure of the proposed Alaska Veterans Memorial Endowment Tax Credit mirrors the structure of the existing Education Tax Credit. Additionally, because taxpayers are limited to a maximum of \$150,000 in credit, they may choose to substitute Alaska Veterans Memorial Tax Credits for Education Tax Credits. The revenue loss would then only be any additional credits beyond those that would have been used as education credits. In FY 2001, 37 taxpayers used approximately \$2.1 million in Education Tax Credits. About 97 percent of those credits were used by 16 of the 37 taxpayers.

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Agency Department of Revenue

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2002 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 1
Bill Version: HB 371
(H) Publish Date: 2/1/02

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: DCED
Title Alaska Veterans Memorial BRU Community Assistance&Econ Dev
Endowment Fund Component Community & Business
Sponsor Rules By Request Development
Requester Governor Component No. 2486

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	*	*	*	*	*	*

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	*	*	*	*	*	*
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	*	*	*	*	*	*

Estimate of any current year (FY2002) cost: 0.0

Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2003 budget proposal: ☐

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

The impact of this bill on revenues and expenditures is indeterminate due to the difficulty in anticipating the extent to which tax credits will be appropriated to the endowment funds.

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January 29, 2002

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

Dear Speaker Porter:

There are scores of memorials to veterans and monuments to the military throughout the state, owned by various entities. These memorials and monuments should be in excellent condition at all times to convey proper respect and to honor our former and present members of the military who served our nation and state and yet, these tributes to our military are in varying stages of upkeep.

This bill I am transmitting establishes the Alaska Veterans' Memorial Endowment Fund to help fund efforts to maintain our current memorials and provide a possible source of funding for new memorials. It is part of a package of legislation I am introducing this year, and introduced last year, to offer proper acknowledgment and appreciation of our veterans.

The bill proposes to finance the fund partly through contributions that will be eligible for certain state corporate tax credits. Primary use of the funds will be for maintaining veterans' memorials. Once this purpose is substantially satisfied in a fiscal year, the fund may be used to establish new memorials and to finance similar projects to recognize efforts of the military.

The Veterans Memorial Endowment Fund would be administered by the commissioner of revenue with a portion of the fund earnings available for appropriation for maintenance and establishment of memorials. A contributing taxpayer would receive a credit that could be applied against certain Alaska taxes, such as insurance premium tax, income taxes, oil and gas exploration and production taxes, pipeline transportation property taxes, mining license taxes, and fisheries taxes. Tax credits would be limited in the same manner as they are for existing tax credit programs.

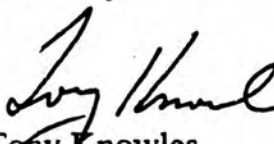
The Honorable Brian Porter

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Many Alaskans agree the state and its citizens should exhibit due respect to our veterans and military by maintaining these memorials and monuments. Dozens of Alaska corporations, businesses, and individuals have readily pledged contributions to this worthwhile endeavor, with the expectation of a matching state appropriation. The state is not obliged to maintain all memorials and monuments, yet it is appropriate for the state to share in the cost by providing modest matching grants. Therefore, I am proposing with this bill a one-time state contribution to the fund of \$125,000.

I urge you to take favorable action on this measure and my entire package of veterans' legislation.

Sincerely,



Tony Knowles
Governor

SCOMM

127:18

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)

Date Referred to Committee: February 15, 2002

FURTHER REFERRALS: State Affairs
Finance

Date of Committee Action: 2-26-02

The HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS Committee considered:
HB 438

HOUSE BILL NO. 438

DISABLED VETERANS LICENSE PLATES

"An Act relating to motor vehicle registration plates for disabled veterans; and providing for an effective date."

Recommends it be replaced with CS HB 438 (MLV) [] Same Title [] New Title
For Senate Bills with new title: / / Technical Title / / New Title: HCR

[] 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
LAA
LAW
LWF
MVA
DNR
DPS
REV
DOT
UA

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Signing with recommendations		Printed Last Name	DP	DNP	NR	AM
Beverly Masek	Masek	✓				
~~John M. Smith~~	K. J.	✓				
~~John M. Smith~~	Green	✓				
John M. Smith	Murkowski	✓				
John M. Smith	Hages	✓				
Chair: Mike Chenault	Chenault	✓				
Chair:						

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Special Committee on Military & Veteran Affairs
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MEMORANDUM

Date: February 21, 2002

To: Suzi Lowell, Chief Clerk

From: Representative Mike Chenault, Chair

Subject: Schedule for the Special Committee on Military & Veteran's Affairs Meetings

The Special Committee on Military & Veteran's Affairs will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays in Capitol Room 124 from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

DATE: Tuesday, February 26th

AGENDA

HB 438 – “An Act relating to motor vehicle registration plates for disabled veterans; and providing for an effective date.”

Bills previously heard and held

HB 324 – “An Act making supplemental and other appropriations for homeland security; and providing for an effective date.”

DATE: Thursday, February 28th

AGENDA

Bills previously heard and held

HB 324 – “An Act making supplemental and other appropriations for homeland security; and providing for an effective date.”

These meetings will be teleconferenced. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Leona Oberts, Military & Veteran's Affairs committee aide at #2811.

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AGENDA



February 26, 2002

Capitol Room 124 3:00-5:00 p.m.

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call
- III. Introductions
- IV. **HB 438** – “An Act relating to motor vehicle registration plates for disabled veterans; and providing for an effective date.”
- V. Committee Comments
- VI. Public Testimony
- VII. **HB 324** – “An Act making supplemental and other appropriations for homeland security; and providing for an effective date.”
Department of Transportation
- VIII. Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, **February 28, 2002 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.** Please attend the Alaska-Siberia Lend-lease medallion award presentation at 4:30 in the speaker's chambers.
- IX. Adjournment