

ALASKA LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE FILES, 1989-1990 8672

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REPORT CONCLUSIONS

Policy Issues

This report contains policy and/or procedural issues raised as a result of our evaluation of various Council endeavors. The final decisions affecting these endeavors are not within the scope of this review but require legislative consideration. In debating these issues, the legislative oversight committees should consider the findings presented in this report so that the potential impact of changes can be evaluated.

Report Conclusions

In our opinion, the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault should be reestablished. The statutory requirement to provide planning and coordination of services to victims of domestic violence or sexual assault and for crisis intervention and prevention programs is necessary to protect the public's health, safety, and welfare. The Council provides this service by development, implementation, maintenance and monitoring of domestic violence and sexual assault programs.

The Findings and Recommendation Section (see page 7) describes areas where weaknesses or conflicts exist. We have made recommendations which, if implemented, will improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the Council.

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FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation No. 1

The Council should increase the availability and awareness of its yearly teleconference hearing to the general public.

Alaska Statute 18.66.040 requires that the Council hold at least one statewide public teleconference hearing a year. Since 1985, the teleconference sites have been limited to Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau and the rural community with a council member.

The limited number of teleconference sites and the lack of newspaper advertising of the meeting restricts the availability of the teleconference to the general public, especially in rural areas.

To comply with the statutory mandate for a yearly statewide public teleconference hearing, we recommend that the location of public notices and the number of teleconference sites be increased to improve public participation throughout the state.

Recommendation No. 2

The Council should continue to improve the data collection system by increasing its efficiency and improving the usefulness of the information for the grantees.

Alaska Statute 18.66.050(5) requires that the Council implement a standardized data collection system on domestic violence, sexual assault, and crisis intervention and prevention. The Council has complied with this requirement and has achieved a high level of compliance and awareness of the data reporting requirements among the grantees. The system which has developed, however, can be improved to reduce the number of secondary records which need to be kept. For example, the quarterly reports require that transportation services be broken down by "rural" and "other". The monthly reports do not break down data by this distinction, requiring additional records be kept.

Most of the grantees do not collect or maintain any other data than that required by the Council. For their own management needs, some grantees are performing hand tallies of statistics based on the monthly data recording forms. The information which the grantees count is easily available from the Council's computerized data base. We recommend that the Council work with the grantees to develop data collection forms which meet all of the Council's requirements and that provide information which meets the grantees' management reporting needs such as monthly management reports.

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ANALYSIS OF PUBLIC NEED

Limited Analysis

The following analyses of board activities relate to the public need factors defined in the "sunset" law. These analyses are not intended to be comprehensive, but address those areas we were able to cover within the scope of our review.

I. The extent to which the Council has operated in the public interest.

The Council has operated in the public interest by fulfilling its statutory responsibility to provide coordination of services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, crisis intervention and prevention, development, implementation, maintenance and monitoring of domestic violence and sexual assault programs, data collection, grants and fiscal and technical assistance.

II. The extent to which the operation of the Council has been impeded or enhanced by existing statutes, procedures, and practices which it has adopted, and any other matter, including budgetary, resources, and personnel matters.

A. The Council, through program evaluations and financial reviews, has provided valuable technical assistance to grantees. Through these reviews, the Council not only safeguards State funds but also ensures the quality of services to the public.

B. The Council should continue to improve the data collection system required by AS 18.66.050(5) to increase its efficiency and improve the usefulness of the information (see Recommendation No. 2).

III. The extent to which the Council has recommended statutory changes which are generally of benefit to the public interest.

The Council has aided in the passage of legislation covering a variety of subjects such as protection of children, family members and dependent adults, criminal violations and proceedings in child physical and sexual abuse cases, personal safety curriculum in public schools and recognition and reporting of child abuse and neglect.

- IV. The extent to which the Council has encouraged interested persons to report to it concerning the effects of its regulations and decisions on the effectiveness of service, economy of service, and availability of service which it has provided.

The Council encourages interested parties to comment on its decisions or regulations by publicly announcing its meetings. The Council also encourages input about its policies from the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

- V. The extent to which the Council has encouraged public participation in the making of its regulations and decisions.

A. The Council encourages public participation by advertising their meetings and teleconferences. The Council works with the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault and their membership in the development of regulations and policy decisions.

B. The Council can expand public participation by increasing the availability and awareness of its yearly teleconference hearing to the general public (see Recommendation No. 1).

- VI. The efficiency with which public inquiries or complaints regarding the activities of the Council filed with it, with the department to which the Council is administratively assigned, or with the Office of the Ombudsman have been processed and resolved.

The Office of the Ombudsman, Equal Employment Opportunity, Human Rights Commission and the Department of Law do not have any outstanding complaints regarding the Council. We did not discover any additional complaints during our interviews with grantees.

- VII. The extent to which a Board or Commission which regulates entry into an occupation or profession has presented qualified applicants to serve the public.

This section does not apply to the Council.

- VIII. The extent to which state personnel practice, including affirmative action requirements, have been complied with by the Council to its own activities and the area of activity or interest.

We found no problems in this area.

- IX. The extent to which statutory, regulatory, budgeting, or other changes are necessary to enable the Council to better serve the interests of the public and to comply with the factors enumerated in this subsection.

Please refer to the previous section, Findings and Recommendations.

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APPENDIXES

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APPENDIX A

COUNCIL ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT
CLIENT STATISTICS

FY 87 to FY 88 Comparison

	<u>FY 87</u>	<u>FY 88</u>
% Child Victims to Total Victims	8.4	9.1
% Adult Victims to Total Victims	91.6	90.9
% Child Clients to Total Clients	26.6	27.4
% Shelter Clients to Total Clients*	43.6	44.4
% New Clients to Total Clients	66.5	64.3

NUMBER OF CLIENTS BY ISSUE

Crisis Intervention	750	497
Domestic Violence	5,915	6,012
Incest	526	528
Marital Rape	344	480
Sexual Assault	898	971
Unknown	<u>194</u>	<u>94</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>8,627</u>	<u>8,582</u>

*Includes Shelter/Safe Home Programs Only

SOURCE: Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

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APPENDIX B

COUNCIL ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT
SHELTER USE BY PROGRAM

FY 87 to FY 88 Comparison

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>TOTAL SHELTER NIGHTS POSSIBLE</u>	<u>FY 87 SHELTER NIGHTS</u>	<u>USAGE RATE</u>	<u>FY 88 SHELTER NIGHTS</u>	<u>USAGE RATE</u>
Abused Women's Aid in Crisis - Anchorage (52 beds)	18,980	10,040	52.9%	9,148	48.2%
Advocates for Victims of Violence - Valdez (10 beds)	3,650	261	7.2%	520	14.2%
Aiding Women From Abuse & Rape Emergencies - Juneau (48 beds)	17,520	3,939	22.5%	4,187	23.9%
Arctic Women in Crisis - Barrow (8 beds)	2,920	1,499	51.3%	1,725	59.1%
Bering Sea Women's Group - Nome (12 beds)	4,380	2,377	54.3%	1,748	39.9%
Emmonak Women's Shelter (9 beds)	3,285	139	4.2%	209	6.4%
Kenai/Soldotna Women's Resource & Crisis Center (20 beds)	7,300	3,243	44.4%	3,913	53.6%
Kodiak Women's Resource & Crisis Center (12 beds)	4,380	693	15.8%	2,721	62.1%
Sitkan's Against Family Violence (15 beds)	5,475	1,108	20.2%	1,372	25.1%
Tundra Women's Coalition - Bethel (18 beds)	6,570	2,296	34.9%	2,723	41.4%
Valley Women's Resource Center - Palmer (20 beds)	7,300	1,452	19.9%	1,448	19.8%
Women in Crisis Counseling & Assistance - Fairbanks (34 beds)	12,410	5,468	44.1%	5,023	40.5%
Women in Safe Homes - Ketchikan (25 beds)	<u>9,125</u>	<u>4,092</u>	<u>44.8%</u>	<u>3,465</u>	<u>38.0%</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>103,295</u>	<u>36,607</u>	<u>35.4%</u>	<u>38,202</u>	<u>37.0%</u>

SOURCE: Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

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APPENDIX C

COUNCIL ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT
GRANT AWARDS

FY 87 to FY 88 Comparison

	<u>FY 87 REV</u> <u>AMT FUND</u>	<u>FY 88</u> <u>AMT FUND</u>	<u>PERCENT</u> <u>CHANGE</u> <u>IN FUNDING</u>
Abused Women's Aid in Crisis			
- Anchorage (52 beds)	524.9	554.7	5.7%
Advocates for Victims of Violence			
- Valdez (10 beds)	94.0	94.0	0.0%
Aiding Women From Abuse & Rape			
Emergencies - Juneau (48 beds)	381.5	381.6	0.0%
Alaska Women's Resource Center			
- Anchorage	105.9	133.7	26.3%
Arctic Women in Crisis - Barrow			
(8 beds)	222.7	215.0	-3.5%
Bering Sea Women's Group - Nome			
(12 beds)	289.6	316.0	9.1%
Bristol Bay Family Resource &			
Crisis Center - Naknek	0.5	0.0	-100.0%
Cordova Women's Resource Center	2.5	0.0	-100.0%
Emmonak Women's Shelter (9 beds)	49.4	49.4	0.0%
Hooper Bay	9.0	0.0	-100.0%
Kenai/Soldotna Women's Resource			
& Crisis Center (20 Beds)	223.1	244.0	9.4%
Kodiak Women's Resource & Crisis			
Center (12 Beds)	169.5	169.5	0.0%
MEN, Inc. - Juneau	89.7	89.8	0.1%
Safe & Fearfree Environment			
- Dillingham	105.9	112.5	6.2%
Sitka's Against Family Violence			
(15 beds)	143.8	169.5	17.9%
South Peninsula Women's Services			
- Homer	93.8	108.8	16.0%
Standing Together Against Rape			
- Anchorage	216.5	226.6	4.7%
Tanana Chiefs Conference			
- Fairbanks	39.5	39.5	0.0%
Tundra Women's Coalition - Bethel			
(18 beds)	349.1	384.0	10.0%
Unalaskan's Against Sexual Assault			
& Family Violence	31.4	31.5	0.3%
Valley Women's Resource Center			
- Palmer (20 beds)	216.8	247.3	14.1%
Women in Crisis-Counseling &			
Assistance - Fairbanks (34 beds)	422.2	450.5	6.7%
Women in Safe Homes - Ketchikan			
(25 beds)	283.8	286.6	1.0%
Prison Programs - BSWG, MEN, WICCA	91.0	93.0	2.2%
Named Recipient Grants - TWC/VWRC	38.3	0.0	-100.0%
<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>4,194.4</u>	<u>4,397.5</u>	<u>4.8%</u>

SOURCE: Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

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STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

DEC 13 1988

RECEIVED December 9, 1988
AUDIT

STEVE COWPER, GOVERNOR

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JUNEAU, ALASKA 99811-1200
PHONE: 465-4322

Mr. Randy S. Welker
Legislative Auditor
Finance Division
Division of Legislative Audit
P.O. Box W
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Mr. Welker:

I am writing in response to the preliminary audit report of the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (CDVSA). My response to the proposed recommendations follows.

Recommendation No. 1:

The Council should increase the availability and awareness of its yearly teleconference hearing to the general public.

I agree that the limited number of sites used for CDVSA teleconferences in the past has limited the public participation possible. The limited number of sites is the direct result of budget constraints.

Representative Koponen sponsored CDVSA's November, 1988 teleconference. His sponsorship meant that there were no teleconference costs to the Council. Members of the public in 11 different communities participated in the November teleconference. The teleconference focused on problems in obtaining and enforcing domestic violence restraining orders throughout the state, and identified some problems which the Council hopes to address in the future.

The Council has agreed to try to increase public awareness of and participation in its teleconference meetings. Of necessity, however, the number of teleconference sites will continue to depend on the availability of funding or the willingness of individual legislators to sponsor teleconferences.

Recommendation No. 2:

The Council should continue to improve the data collection system by increasing its efficiency and improving the usefulness of the information for the grantees.

I believe that, overall, CDVSA staff have done an outstanding job of developing the data collection system now in place. Council staff have

December 9, 1988

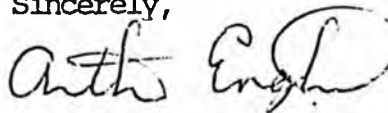
worked with the programs to reduce their data collection efforts. The statistical technician sends quarterly and yearly data reports to programs, and responds to individual requests for assistance. During on-site visits to programs, Council staff also confer with program staff concerning data collection.

As with just about anything we fallible humans undertake, however, I'm sure there is room for improvement. Council staff have assured me that they will continue to provide assistance to grantees to streamline data collection efforts, and will focus on providing information and technical assistance to programs in the upcoming year. The Council is also planning to review all data collection forms, including individual client forms and quarterly reports, to ensure that all data collected is really necessary and is collected in the most efficient manner.

I am committed to improving operations throughout the Department of Public Safety, and will follow up with the Council to encourage compliance with your recommendations to the extent possible under budget constraints.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the recommendations. If you have questions, please contact me at 465-4322, or Barbara Miklos at 465-4356.

Sincerely,



Arthur English
Commissioner

SB49POOP

SB 49 EXTENDING THE TERMINATION DATE OF THE COUNCIL ON
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT

TO TESTIFY:

SENATOR FAHRENKAMP, PRIME SPONSOR

BARBARA MIKLOS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, COUNCIL ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

YVONNE CHASE, VICE-CHAIR, COUNCIL ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

CINDY SMITH, NETWORK ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

OTHERS (SEE WITNESS LIST)

FYI:

SUNSET AUDIT MADE 2 RECOMMENDATIONS:

INCREASE AVAILABILITY OF ANNUAL TELECONFERENCE (COUNCIL
RESPONDED THAT NUMBER OF SITES HAS BEEN LIMITED SOLELY
BECAUSE OF BUDGET CONSTRAINTS)

IMPROVE DATA COLLECTION SYSTEM (COUNCIL RESPONDED THAT
TREMENDOUS STRIDES HAVE BEEN MADE IN RECENT YEARS, BUT
THEY WILL CONTINUE TO WORK ON EFFICIENCIES)

BUDGET:	FY 88	4,333.0 GF
	FY 89	5,236.8 GF (900.0 GICCY)
	FY 90 (GOV. PROPOSED)	5,698.9 GF (200.0 RURAL OUTREACH, 250.0 STATEWIDE SEXUAL ASSAULT TRAINING)

CURRENTLY HAVE 3 STAFF.

STATE OF ALASKA

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COUNCIL ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT

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January 26, 1989

The Honorable Pat Pourchot
P.O. Box V
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Senator Pourchot:

Thank you for scheduling Senate Bill 49, "An Act Extending the Termination Date for the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault" so quickly. We are pleased and proud that this was the first bill to pass the Senate. We appreciate the support from you and your office. Sandra Schubert, as always, was very helpful.

Sincerely,



Drena McIntyre
Chair

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SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

BILL NUMBER SB 53

SPONSOR DUNCAN

BILL TITLE

DATE REFERRED 3.22.90

HEARING SCHEDULED

FISCAL NOTE PREPARED

SPONSOR CONTACTED

INTERESTED PARTIES CONTACTED

OTHER



Alaska State Legislature
Senate

Office of the Secretary

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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JUNEAU, ALASKA 99811

FOR YOUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION

DATE: March 30, 1990

TO SENATE COMMITTEE: State Affairs

FROM: Office of the Senate Secretary

The Chairman of the above-referenced Committee has waived the Committee referral on the following bill(s):

SENATE BILL 53

Post-retirement pension adjustments in the teachers' retirement system; efd.

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

Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

JR/s

STATE OF ALASKA
THE LEGISLATURE

POUCH Y STATE CAPITOL
JUNEAU, ALASKA 99811
907 465 3800

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AGENCY

MEMORANDUM

March 2, 1990

SUBJECT: Sectional analysis of CSSB 53 ()
(Teachers' retirement system)

TO: Senator Jim Duncan

FROM: Teresa B. Cramer *TBC*
Legislative Counsel

You have requested a sectional analysis of the above described bill.

As a preliminary matter, note that a sectional analysis or summary of a bill should not be considered an authoritative interpretation of the bill and the bill itself is the best statement of its contents.

Section 1 increases the contribution rate for members of the Teachers' Retirement System from seven percent to 8.65 percent beginning on January 1, 1991 and directs that contributions be deducted before federal taxes are computed.

Secs. 2 and 3 change the contribution rate by which members of the Teachers' Retirement System first hired on or after July 1, 1990, may buy in military service or Alaska Bureau of Indian Affairs service from seven percent to 8.65 percent.

Sec. 4 requires that a member have received an honorable discharge to be entitled to claim military service in TRS. The section also prohibits a member from receiving TRS retirement benefits for military service for which the member is entitled to receive retirement benefits from the United States government.

Secs. 5 and 6 change the retirement age for members of TRS. Eligibility for normal retirement is changed from 55 years to 60 years, and eligibility for early retirement is changed from 50 years to 55 years.

Sec. 7 increases the multiplier for computing certain benefits payable to TRS members. Benefits for years of service greater than 20 which were earned after July 1, 1990, will be figured by multiplying by two and one-half percent instead of by two percent. Benefits for all service earned before July 1, 1990, and for that part of the benefits that are figured on fewer than 20 years of service are figured at two percent.

Sec. 8 restores language to AS 14.25.110 that was removed from AS 14.25.110(d) by sec. 7.

Secs. 9 and 10 repeat the changes in eligibility for normal and early retirement made by secs. 5 and 6. AS 14.25.125 is the section that grants members eligible to retire under the Public Employees' Retirement System the right to retire under TRS with only two years of membership service in TRS.

Sec. 11 limits eligibility for the cost-of-living allowance (COLA) to retired members of TRS who are state residents and at least 65 years of age or disabled. The COLA is currently payable to retirees of any age who are living in the state.

Sec. 12 changes the post retirement pension adjustment (PRPA) statute to parallel the provisions of PERS, found at AS 39.35.475. Subsection (a) makes the PRPA mandatory if the cost of living, as determined under (f) of the section, has increased during the previous calendar year and limits eligibility to receive the PRPA. Subsections (b) and (c) set out the formula for determining the amount of the PRPA and for figuring fractional benefits for those not retired for the full year. Subsection (d) retains the amount of PRPA's granted while a member was receiving disability benefits for the member's retirement benefit. Subsection (e) includes adjustments granted to deceased members or survivors when figuring death benefits or survivor's benefits under TRS.

Secs. 13 - 15 change eligibility for major medical insurance coverage. Under sec. 15, benefit recipients who choose to be covered and who are younger than 60 must pay the full cost of the insurance premium, benefit recipients between the age of 60 and 65 must pay one-half the cost, and disabled members and persons 65 years of age or older receive coverage without paying for the premium.

Senator Jim Duncan
Page 3
March 2, 1990

Sec. 16 applies the changes that reduce the value of TRS benefits or limit eligibility for TRS benefits to employees first hired on or after the effective date of the Act. The increase in the contribution rate and the corresponding increase in benefit calculations, including the post retirement pension adjustment, apply to all employees.

Sec. 17 gives the Act an effective date of July 1, 1990.

If I may be of further assistance, please advise.

TC:mi
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WHILE YOU WERE OUT			
MESSAGE			
TO	Paul / Sergio	DATE	3/29 8:40
FROM	Low Howard	AREA CODE	
CF		NUMBER	277-7681
		EXTENSION (School #)	
RE: MUSE COMMUNICATIONS ON SB53 (my talks at Bob Newman's) LOW DOES WANT SB53 MOVED OUT OF COMMUNITY - HE HAS NO PROBLEM WITH (good)			
SIGNATURE <i>P</i>			
URGENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	RETURNED CALL	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	CALL BACK	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	WILL CALL AGAIN	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	CHANGED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	WANTS TO SEE YOU	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>
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AMPAD NO. 23-176-100 SETS NO. 23-376-200 SETS

If you need/want to reach her
back on school break times are
9:15-9:30 10-10:15
and 11:15 - noon

3.28.90

Bob will contact Kathy and "way" —
Lu in a "positive" way —
He'll get back with us.

3.28.90

PAT — Kathy will be in JNO Friday and Monday

Kathy McCord — hesitant about waiving SB 53 for the following reasons:

- A) ~~Person~~ Person who retires after 20 years has to wait 8 years to be eligible — (She doesn't know why 8 years)
- B) Currently active teachers at 65 — 1) 75% of COLA ^{30%} or 9%, whichever is less
 66-65 2) 50% or 6% " " " "
 Any body 3) Ad Hoc COLA: IF STATE pays or 4%
IF
- C) New hires would have to pay full premium until age 60, regardless of age of retirement (could be as much as \$600 per month)

Confusing — Needs Hearing

NEA-AK — Brings down costs. Probable: person will go to 2nd job. Benefit multiplier at 2 1/2 times after 20 years.

current Retirement System pays Now.

Why not 50%

#236 (SALVAKER?)

Pat Abney very concerned.
KATHY WANTS A HEARING
"Lu" may agree.

Susie

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____ Agency Affected: Administration
 Title: An Act relating to Post Retirement Pension Adjustments in TRS BRU: Retirement and Benefits
 Sponsor: Duncan Components: Retirement and Benefits
 Requestor: _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
PERSONAL SERVICES	55.5	55.5	55.5	55.5	55.5	55.5
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	233.7	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3
SUPPLIES	.2	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1
EQUIPMENT	44.5	0	0	0	0	0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0	0	0	0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL OPERATING	333.9	55.9	55.9	55.9	55.9	55.9
CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	333.9	55.9	55.9	55.9	55.9	55.9
TOTAL	333.9	55.9	55.9	55.9	55.9	55.9

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	1	1	1	1	1	1
PART-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary) THESE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS WILL BE BORNE BY THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT FUND. THEY WILL NOT IMPACT THE GENERAL FUND.

Please refer to page 2 for a detailed discussion of the administrative costs.

THIS BILL IS ESTIMATED TO SAVE THE STATE \$29.1 IN PERSONAL SERVICES COSTS IN FY 91 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER. THIS BILL IS ESTIMATED TO SAVE SCHOOL DISTRICTS \$172.1 IN PERSONAL SERVICES COSTS IN FY 91 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER. Please refer to page 3 for discussion.

Prepared by: Sally Smith, Director Phone: 465-4460
 Division: Retirement and Benefits Date: 3/22/90
 Approved by Commissioner: Frank S. Baxter Date: 3/23/90
 Agency: Department of Administration

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Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 53
Fiscal Note Analysis
Prepared by Division of Retirement & Benefits
Department of Administration
March 9, 1990

Analysis: This bill would establish a pre-funded automatic post retirement pension adjustment (PRPA) and several other cost containment measures in the Teachers' Retirement Systems (TRS). A savings to employers of \$200,000 each year is estimated, after considering the costs for automated systems enhancements and ongoing maintenance.

The PRPA would be granted from July 1 of each year if the Consumer Price Index for Anchorage (CPI-W) increased during the prior calendar year. The bill would also increase the benefit formula to encourage members who accumulate 20 years of membership service to continue teaching. The cost containment provisions implemented by this bill would parallel the Public Employees Retirement System.

The total estimated administrative cost to the division of \$333.9 for FY 91 is for personal and contractual services. During the first year, a permanent programmer/analyst IV would develop the changes to the TRS automated system in cooperation with a firm contracted to assist. In the second and subsequent years the A/P IV would complete the project and provide ongoing maintenance for the automatic PRPA system and benefit calculation systems for both the TRS and the Public Employees Retirement System. Current staff would not be able to absorb this increased workload.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 53
 Analysis of Financial Impact to the Retirement Fund
 Prepared by Division of Retirement & Benefits
 Department of Administration
 March 9, 1990

Analysis: This bill would decrease the state Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) contribution rate by 0.05% in FY 91. The state TRS payroll is estimated to be \$58,159,258 in FY 91 and remain stable thereafter.

The state savings of \$29,080 are calculated as follows:

Department of Education FY 91 estimated salary	\$5,673,729
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Decrease in TRS rate	X <u>0.05%</u>
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Total savings.....	\$ 2,837
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University of Alaska FY 91 estimated salary	\$52,485,529
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Decrease in TRS rate	X <u>0.05%</u>
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Total savings.....	\$ 26,243
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<u>TOTAL STATE SAVINGS...</u>	<u>\$29,080</u>
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In addition to these state savings, the school districts' contribution rates would likely decrease by 0.05% in FY 91. The school districts' salaries are estimated to be \$ 344,238,828 in FY 91 and remain stable each year thereafter.

The school districts' savings of \$103,272 are calculated as follows:

School district FY 91 estimated salaries	\$344,238,828
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Decrease in TRS rate	X <u>0.05%</u>
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<u>TOTAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SAVINGS...</u>	<u>\$172,119</u>
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Passage of this bill will have no measurable impact on the TRS unfunded liability. It will not affect the TRS funding ratio.

Position Title Analyst/Programmer IV		No. of Positions 1	Range/Step 19A	Barg. Unit GG	
Time Status PE/FT	Staff Months 12.0	Location Juneau		Election District 4	
Type of Expenditure		Justification			
Amount		<p>This position will be responsible for the analysis, design, programming, implementation, maintenance, and enhancement of systems and subsystems mandated by CSSB 53. This includes tracking and overseeing contract analyst/programmer work during the first year of the development effort, continuing development to completion in the second or third year, interfacing and maintaining interfaces of the newly developed systems with all other State systems and other systems as appropriate, and maintaining all systems developed by this project as they become operational.</p>			
1	2				3
Salary	40,032				
Benefits	15,480				
Premium Pay					
Other					
Total Personal Services					55,512
Travel					0
Contractual					350
Commodities					100
Equipment		22,250			
Other					
Total Cost		79,212			
Funding Source for Total Cost					
Federal Receipts	1002				
G. F. Match	1003				
General Fund	1004				
I-A Receipts	1006				
CIP Receipts	1061				
Other	Teachers' Retirement 1034	79,212			

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**Request For
New Position**

Agency Administration
 BRU Retirement and Benefits
 Component Retirement and Benefits

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1990 LEGISLATION
POSITION PAPER
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

Division Retirement and Benefits Bill Number CS SB 53

Bill Title An Act relating to Post Retirement Pension Adjustment to TRS.

Position Statement: Explain briefly what bill does, its impacts and Departments' position, i.e. a) support, b) do not support, c) neutral or d) oppose.

SB 53 provides a tremendous opportunity to guarantee teachers that retirement benefits will keep pace with cost-of-living increases, and at the same time, guarantee employers of a related reduction in employer contributions.

This Committee Substitute was developed to provide retired teachers with an automatic, pre-funded, post retirement pension adjustment (PRPA) and an increased benefit multiplier. Cost containment provisions are included to off-set the pre-funding expense.

The current ad hoc PRPA was established on a pay-as-you-go basis. Every time an ad hoc PRPA is issued, the system's unfunded liability is increased, which, in turn, increases the employers' contribution rate--after the fact. The most important aspect of this bill is that it provides for prefunding the PRPAs. The funding of future PRPAs would be incorporated into the plan, with monies set aside in advance. Employer contribution rates would no longer have to "react" to a pension adjustment, and retirees could enjoy some retirement security.

If passed, effective January 1, 1991 teachers' contributions would increase from 7% to 8.65% of salary. These contributions would be with pre-tax, instead of the current after-tax, dollars. Additionally, for those teachers first hired after this bill's effective date, the following provisions would apply:

1. depending on age, each will share in the cost of the health premium after retirement. (For those already hired, the premium is fully paid);
2. none will be eligible for the Alaska cost of living allowance (COLA) until age 65. If the retiree is an Alaska resident, the COLA is an additional 10% of the retirement benefit; and

3. normal retirement age will be 60 instead of 55.

There are administrative costs to implement the provisions of the bill. These costs would be funded by an appropriation from the Teachers' Retirement System; no general fund monies are needed. On the other hand, employer contributions are made with the support of general fund dollars. Under this legislation the employer contribution rate would be REDUCED by .05%, saving an estimated \$200 thousand each year.

The Department of Administration and the Division of Retirement and Benefits fully support this legislation. It responsibly adjusts the priorities to ensure an automatic pension adjustment for living cost increases. This enhancement should serve well to attract and retain the best of the teaching profession.

APPROVED:

Director Sally Smith Division Retirement and Benefits

Signature *Sally Smith* Date 3/23/90

Commissioner Frank S. Baxter

Signature *Frank S. Baxter* Date 3/23/90

(For more information, call Sioux Plummer 465-2200)

Rev. 12/89

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____ Agency Affected: Administration
Title: An Act relating to Post Retirement Pension Adjustments in TRS BRU: Retirement and Benefits
Sponsor: Duncan Components: Retirement and Benefits
Requestor: _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
PERSONAL SERVICES	55.5	55.5	55.5	55.5	55.5	55.5
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	233.7	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3
SUPPLIES	.2	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1
EQUIPMENT	44.5	0	0	0	0	0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0	0	0	0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL OPERATING	333.9	55.9	55.9	55.9	55.9	55.9
CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	333.9	55.9	55.9	55.9	55.9	55.9
TOTAL	333.9	55.9	55.9	55.9	55.9	55.9

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	1	1	1	1	1	1
PART-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary) THESE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS WILL BE BORNE BY THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT FUND. THEY WILL NOT IMPACT THE GENERAL FUND.

Please refer to page 2 for a detailed discussion of the administrative costs.

THIS BILL IS ESTIMATED TO SAVE THE STATE \$29.1 IN PERSONAL SERVICES COSTS IN FY 91 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER. THIS BILL IS ESTIMATED TO SAVE SCHOOL DISTRICTS \$172.1 IN PERSONAL SERVICES COSTS IN FY 91 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER. Please refer to page 3 for discussion.

Prepared by: Sally Smith, Director Phone: 465-4460
Division: Retirement and Benefits Date: 3/22/90

Approved by Commissioner: Frank S. Baxter Date: 3/23/90
Agency: Department of Administration

Distribution (by preparer):
Legislative Finance
Legislative Sponsor
Requestor
Office of Management and Budget
Impacted Agency(ies)

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 53
Fiscal Note Analysis
Prepared by Division of Retirement & Benefits
Department of Administration
March 9, 1990

Analysis: This bill would establish a pre-funded automatic post retirement pension adjustment (PRPA) and several other cost containment measures in the Teachers' Retirement Systems (TRS). A savings to employers of \$200,000 each year is estimated, after considering the costs for automated systems enhancements and ongoing maintenance.

The PRPA would be granted from July 1 of each year if the Consumer Price Index for Anchorage (CPI-W) increased during the prior calendar year. The bill would also increase the benefit formula to encourage members who accumulate 20 years of membership service to continue teaching. The cost containment provisions implemented by this bill would parallel the Public Employees Retirement System.

The total estimated administrative cost to the division of \$333.9 for FY 91 is for personal and contractual services. During the first year, a permanent programmer/analyst IV would develop the changes to the TRS automated system in cooperation with a firm contracted to assist. In the second and subsequent years the A/P IV would complete the project and provide ongoing maintenance for the automatic PRPA system and benefit calculation systems for both the TRS and the Public Employees Retirement System. Current staff would not be able to absorb this increased workload.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 53
 Analysis of Financial Impact to the Retirement Fund
 Prepared by Division of Retirement & Benefits
 Department of Administration
 March 9, 1990

Analysis: This bill would decrease the state Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) contribution rate by 0.05% in FY 91. The state TRS payroll is estimated to be \$58,159,258 in FY 91 and remain stable thereafter.

The state savings of \$29,080 are calculated as follows:

Department of Education FY 91 estimated salary	\$5,673,729	
Decrease in TRS rate	X <u>0.05%</u>	
Total savings.....	\$ 2,837	
University of Alaska FY 91 estimated salary	\$52,485,529	
Decrease in TRS rate	X <u>0.05%</u>	
Total savings.....	\$ 26,243	
<u>TOTAL STATE SAVINGS...</u>		<u>\$29,080</u>

In addition to these state savings, the school districts' contribution rates would likely decrease by 0.05% in FY 91. The school districts' salaries are estimated to be \$ 344,238,828 in FY 91 and remain stable each year thereafter.

The school districts' savings of \$103,272 are calculated as follows:

School district FY 91 estimated salaries	\$344,238,828	
Decrease in TRS rate	X <u>0.05%</u>	
TOTAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SAVINGS...		<u>\$172,119</u>

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PAT

File contains CS SB 53

TRS:

Post Retirement Pension
Adjustment.

WAIVE? _Yes_ 3.30.90

stopped in
3-29-90
Roxie McDonagh
TRS Board Member auch
urges passage
from committee of
SB 53 (TRS).
<sup>post retirement
benefit adjustment</sup>

(Revenue neutral this year
because of concessions from active
teachers. PERS already has)

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SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

BILL NUMBER SB 56

SPONSOR Kelly

BILL TITLE State employment preference for
service in the national guard

DATE REFERRED 1-9-89

HEARING SCHEDULED 2-15-89

FISCAL NOTE PREPARED

SPONSOR CONTACTED ✓ Dave Gray 3822

INTERESTED PARTIES CONTACTED

✓ Jeff Morrison, MUA 4600
✓ DOA (personnel) - Dean Gottehrer 2201

4/2/80
Dave Ott
Personnel

OTHER

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

FIRST COMMITTEE OF REFERRAL

Date of 5-DAY NOTICE 2-9-89
IN ACCORDANCE WITH UNIFORM RULE 23

FURTHER L&C

**FISCAL NOTE(S) MUST BE ATTACHED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH AS 24.08.035

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE 2-16-89

1/9/89

Mr. President:

SA Committee considered SB 56
state employment preference for service in the national guard.

and recommended:

- replace with CS SB 56 (ST AFF) same title
- attached amendment(s) and new title
- _____ letter of intent adopted
- do pass
- do not pass
- no recommendation
- individual recommendations
- further referral to _____

FISCAL NOTE(S) attached zero fiscal impact
 appropriation no FN attached Gov. FN introduced w/ bill

MEMBERS SIGNING DO PASS

Tim Kelly

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

James Kirk No Rec
Lee Adams No Rec

[Signature]
Chairman signature and recommendation

Committee backup attached

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

POSITION PAPER
SB56

Summary of Bill: This bill would extend the eligibility to receive veterans preference points for initial hiring into state classified service to include persons who have served for at least five years in the national guard or a reserve unit. A person eligible under this bill would receive five additional points added to their score. This is the same number of additional points added to the score of a person who is a veteran as currently defined in statute--basically someone who served in World War I, World War II, or the period between the Korean Conflict and the end of the Vietnam War.

Background: Last year the Legislature added language to the definition of "veteran" to include persons who are awarded the Purple Heart, a campaign or expedition medal, or a decoration for heroism or gallantry in action. This addition was made to include veterans who served after the end of the Vietnam era (October 14, 1976), but who were engaged in hostile action as a member of the United States armed forces (e.g. Persian Gulf, Granada). The original intent of the veterans employment preference points was to compensate veterans for time spent away from the pursuit of civilian employment while a full-time member of the armed forces.

Impact of Bill on Department of Military and Veterans Affairs: Any additional benefits created by this bill would be publicized and promoted by both the Division of Veterans Affairs and by the military leadership of the Alaska National Guard. No fiscal impact on the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs is anticipated.

Departmental Position on Bill: The Department of Military and Veterans Affairs is neutral on this bill.

Approved: *J. Morrison*
for MG John W. Schaeffer

Date: 2/15/89

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: February 14, 1989
 Title: Relating to National Guard
 hiring preference
 Sponsor: Kelly
 Requestor: Senate State Affairs

Agency Affected: Military & Veterans Affairs
 BRU: _____
 Components: _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL						
REVENUE						

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Prepared by: Jeff Morrison, Director
 Division: Administrative & Support Services, DMVA
 Approved by: for MG John Schaeffer
 Agency: Department of Military & Veterans Affairs

Phone: 465-4600
 Date: February 14, 1989
 Date: February 14, 1989

- Distribution (by preparer):
- Legislative Finance
 - Legislative Sponsor
 - Requestor
 - Office of Management and Budget
 - Impacted Agency(ies)

Sandra

Veterans Loans (DEER) AS 26.15.040

- personal loans \$10,000 9.5%
- mortgages \$125,000 9.5%
- multiple dwelling \$110,000 9.5%

Education / Tuition Assistance AS 26.05.295 - .296

- AK Nat'l Gd, AK Naval Militia - active or retired
- AK educational facilities - educ, voc, tech
- Up to 50% of tuition & fees

Definitions of veteran
- AS 26.15.130 (10 ans)
- AS 26.10.080 (death gratuity)
- AS 26.15.160 (extend to Korea & Vietnam)

Militia

Unorganized militia (26.05.010) (able-bodied over age 17)

26.05.030

Organized militia

AK Nat'l Gd
Recognized per US laws

AK Naval Militia
US Naval Reserve
US Marine Corps Reserve
(governed by laws of US)

AK State Militia
Former members of
regular Army, Navy,
Marine Corps under
age 64. Units
authorized by Gov.
Volunteers

Suggested definition for "Disabled National Guard Member"

(A) "disabled national guard member" means a former member of the Alaska National Guard who was released or discharged from the Alaska National Guard, under honorable conditions, because of a disability incurred in line of duty;

Sandra

Hope this is OK for SB56

Jeff Moman,
DMVA

Original sponsors: Kelly, Kerttula,
and Halford

Questions

Does USVA
cover disabled
Nat'l. Guard?

Do you get
honorable
discharge
from Nat'l
Guard?

1 IN THE SENATE BY THE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 56 (State Affairs)
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION
5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to state employment preference for
7 service in the national guard."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 39.25.150 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

10 (26) the granting of employment preference rights, not
11 within the area of promotion, to a member of the national guard who
12 has not received preference rights as a veteran when the national
13 guard member possesses the necessary qualifications in the job classi-
14 fication applied for under this chapter; in an examination to deter-
15 mine the qualification of applicants for entrance into the classified
16 service under merit system examination, three additional points shall
17 be added to the passing grade of a national guard member and six
18 additional points shall be added to the passing grade of a disabled
19 national guard member, but the additional points may be used only the
20 first time the member obtains a position in the classified service; if
21 a position in the classified service is eliminated, employees shall be
22 released under rules that give due effect to all factors; if all job
23 qualifications are equal, the national guard member shall be given
24 preference over employees who are not veterans or national guard
25 members and the national guard member shall be kept on the job; this
26 paragraph may not be interpreted to amend the terms of a collective
27 bargaining agreement; in this paragraph

28 (A) "disabled national guard member" means a national
29 guard member who is entitled to compensation under laws

Note

6 pt. disability
cant receive
both vet
& Nat'l. Guard

administered by the United States Veterans' Administration, or a person who was honorably discharged or released from active duty because of a service-connected disability;

(E) "national guard member" means a person who has served for at least eight years as a member of the Alaska National Guard or an Alaska National Guard Reserve Unit.

1 IN THE SENATE

BY KELLY AND KERTTULA

2

SENATE BILL NO. 56

3

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5

A BILL

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12 the necessary qualifications in the job classification applied for
13 under this chapter; in an examination to determine the qualification
14 of applicants for entrance into the classified service under merit
15 system examination, five additional points shall be added to the
16 passing grade of a veteran and ten additional points shall be added to
17 the passing grade of a disabled veteran, but the additional points may
18 be used only the first time the veteran obtains a position in the
19 classified service; if a position in the classified service is elim-
20 inated, employees shall be released in accordance with rules which
21 give due effect to all factors; if all job qualifications are equal,
22 the veteran shall be given preference over the nonveteran and the
23 veteran shall be kept on the job; this paragraph may not be interpret-
24 ed to amend the terms of a collective bargaining agreement; in this
25 paragraph

26 (A) "veteran" means a person who has served for at
27 least five years as a member of a national guard or national
28 guard reserve unit, or a person with 181 days or more active
29 service in the armed forces of the United States who has been

*letter to
elmer*

*Subsequent to passing act
questions came out: a)
b)
c)*

*— broadens definition
of "vet" to
include
Natl.
Guard*

1 honorably discharged after having served during any period

2 (i) between April 6, 1917, and December 1, 1919,
3 between September 16, 1940, and December 31, 1947, or between
4 June 27, 1950, and October 14, 1976; or

5 (ii) in which the person was awarded a campaign
6 badge or expedition medal, or the Purple Heart or other award or
7 decoration for heroism or gallantry in action;

8 (B) "disabled veteran" means a veteran who is entitled
9 to compensation under laws administered by the United States
10 Veterans' Administration, or a person who was honorably dis-
11 charged or released from active duty because of a service-con-
12 nected disability;

SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Amendment to SB 56
Feb. 15, 1989

by KELLY

Line 7, page 1: Delete "national guard"
and insert "Alaska National Guard"

Line 27, page 1: Delete "five"
and insert "eight"

Line 27 and 28, page 1: Delete "a national guard or national
guard"
and insert "the Alaska National Guard or an
Alaska National Guard"

*Adopted
unanimous
2-15-89*

Alaska State Legislature



Sen. Pat Pourchot, Chairman

Sen. Jan Faiks, Vice Chairman

Sen. Al Adams

Sen. Tim Kelly

Sen. Rick Uehling

P.O. Box V
State Capitol
Juneau, Alaska 99811

907-465-3712

Senate State Affairs Committee

MEMORANDUM

TO: Senate State Affairs Committee Members

FROM: Senator Pat Pourchot, Chairman

RE: February 15 Committee Hearing

DATE: February 14, 1989

On Wednesday, February 15 at 1:30 p.m. in the Beltz Room the Senate State Affairs Committee will hear the following bills. Senator Ted Stevens will be addressing a joint session of the House and Senate at 2:00 p.m. It is my intent to recess at 2:00 and reconvene after Senator Stevens' address.

SB 7, An Act relating to free tuition for a spouse or dependent of certain Alaska militia members.

SB 7 would allow free attendance at state-supported postsecondary educational institutions by spouses and dependent children of members of the Alaska National Guard or Alaska Naval Militia who are killed in the line of duty. A similar benefit exists under current law for dependents of persons listed as prisoners of war or missing in action during the hostilities in Southeast Asia.

Currently, annual undergraduate tuition and fees at the university run about \$1500 per person.

SB 56, An Act relating to state employment preference for service in the national guard.

SB 56 would broaden the statutory definition of "veteran", for purposes of granting state employment preferences, to include persons who have served at least five years in the national guard or national guard reserve. The current definition includes only those persons with 181 days or more active service in the armed forces from 1917-1919, 1940-1947, 1950-1976, or any other period during which the person was awarded a campaign badge or purple heart.

The employment preference consists of the addition of five points to a veteran's employment examination score. Veterans are also given preference in layoff situations.

1 IN THE SENATE

BY KELLY AND KERTTULA

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SENATE BILL NO. 56

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5

A BILL

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16 passing grade of a veteran and ten additional points shall be added to
17 the passing grade of a disabled veteran, but the additional points may
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12 nected disability;

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____ Agency Affected: Department of Administration
 Title: State employment preference for BRU: Personnel
National Guard service.
 Sponsor: Kelly and Kerttula Components: Centralized Administrative
 Requestor: Senator Pouchot Services

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94
PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	0	0	0	0	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0	0	0	0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS:	0	0	0	0	0	0
FULL-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
PART-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This bill would not have a fiscal impact on the Division of Personnel.

Prepared By: David K. F. Otto, Director *DKFO* Phone: 465-4430
 Division: Personnel Date: 2-13-89

Approved by Commissioner: John M. Andrews *JMA* Date: 2/14/89
 Agency: Department of Administration

Distribution (by preparer):
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 Requestor
 Office of Management and Budget
 Impacted Agency(ies)



Alaska State Legislature

SENATE

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February 7, 1989

Senator Pat Pourchot, Chairman
State Affairs Committee
Alaska State Senate
Box V
Juneau, Ak 99811

Re: SB 56, National Guard employment preference.

Dear Senator Pourchot,

I would appreciate a committee hearing of SB 56 at your earliest convenience. Attached is a rationale and discussion of this legislative proposal.

The state currently rewards, gratefully, veterans who have served in the armed forces of the nation in a number of ways; preferences in employment, loan programs, and land selection to name a few. It would seem that the service of Alaska National Guard veterans should similarly and most appropriately be recognised and rewarded.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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

TIM KELLY
Alaska State Senate

ALASKA NATIONAL GUARD
OFFICER'S ASSOCIATION
200 W. 34th Street, Suite 727
Anchorage, Alaska 99503

28 November 1988

3. STATE VETERAN'S HIRING PREFERENCE FOR ALASKA NATIONAL GUARD VETERANS

A. PROPOSAL: This proposal would enact legislation to grant Alaska National Guard members, who have successfully completed **5 years** of Alaska National Guard Membership, the same State veteran's hiring preference currently granted to active duty veterans.

B. DISCUSSION: Members of the Alaska National Guard who have never served with the armed forces on extended active duty (non-prior service) do not receive veteran's hiring preference points for Federal civil service jobs. Prior-service veterans do. Prior-service veterans DO receive hiring preference for State jobs. Non-prior service State veterans do NOT. It seems equitable that non-prior service STATE veterans should receive hiring preference for State jobs in their own State of Alaska.

There is an unknown number of State veterans interested in State jobs who would benefit from State veteran's hiring preference.

Members of the Alaska National Guard (approximately 4000) and their spouses (approximately 3000) support this initiative.

C. COST: There is no known cost.

D. PRECEDENTS:

OHIO: Veterans honorably discharged from active service or transferred to a Reserve Component are entitled to 20% added credit on State civil service exam.

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____ Agency Affected: Department of Administration
 Title: State employment preference for BRU: Personnel
National Guard service.
 Sponsor: Kelly and Kerttula Components: Centralized Administrative
 Requestor: Senator Pourchot Services

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94
PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	0	0	0	0	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0	0	0	0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS:	0	0	0	0	0	0
FULL-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
PART-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This bill would not have a fiscal impact on the Division of Personnel.

Prepared By: David K. F. Otto, Director *DKFO* Phone: 465-4430
 Division: Personnel Date: 2-13-89
 Approved by Commissioner: John M. Andrews Date: 2/14/89
 Agency: Department of Administration

Distribution (by preparer):
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Alaska State Legislature

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February 7, 1989

Senator Pat Pourchot, Chairman
State Affairs Committee
Alaska State Senate
Box V
Juneau, Ak 99811

Re: SB 56, National Guard employment preference.

Dear Senator Pourchot,

I would appreciate a committee hearing of SB 56 at your earliest convenience. Attached is a rationale and discussion of this legislative proposal.

The state currently rewards, gratefully, veterans who have served in the armed forces of the nation in a number of ways; preferences in employment, loan programs, and land selection to name a few. It would seem that the service of Alaska National Guard veterans should similarly and most appropriately be recognised and rewarded.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tim".

TIM KELLY
Alaska State Senate

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SB 56 STATE EMPLOYMENT PREFERENCE FOR SERVICE IN THE
NATIONAL GUARD

TO TESTIFY

SENATOR KELLY, SPONSOR (DAVE GRAY)

JEFF MORRISON, DEPT. MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

DAVE OTTO, DIV. PERSONNEL, DEPT. ADMINISTRATION

OTHERS (SEE WITNESS LIST)

F.Y.I.

D.M.V.A. ISN'T CONVINCED OF THE EQUITY: SOMEBODY WHO HAS SERVED 5 YEARS IN THE NATIONAL GUARD HASN'T NECESSARILY MADE THE SAME SACRIFICE AS SOMEONE WHO IS A VETERAN OF WAR. KELLY IS AWARE OF THIS AND WILL PROPOSE INCREASING TO 8 YEARS OF SERVICE.

D.M.V.A. WILL LIKELY PROPOSE THAT NATIONAL GUARDSMEN RECEIVE ONLY 3 PREFERENCE POINTS (UNDER CURRENT STATUTE VETERANS RECEIVE 5). THEY MAY ALSO REQUEST THAT THIS 3-POINT PREFERENCE BE EXTENDED TO VETERANS WHO SERVED DURING PEACETIME. UNDER SB 56, PREFERENCE WOULD BE GIVEN TO VETERANS WHO SERVED DURING WARTIME AND TO NATIONAL GUARD WEEKEND WARRIORS, BUT NOT TO VETERANS WHO SERVED DURING PEACETIME.

THE ORIGINAL PREMISE OF THE EMPLOYMENT PREFERENCE WAS TO RECOGNIZE THAT VETERANS HAD BEEN OUT OF THE JOB MARKET WHILE SERVING IN THE MILITARY. THIS OF COURSE DOESN'T APPLY TO NATIONAL GUARDMEN....

THE 5 POINT PREFERENCE IN CURRENT STATUTE IS AWARDED AS "BONUS" POINTS ON THE EMPLOYMENT EXAM. THE EXAM IS GENERALLY A TRAINING-AND-EXPERIENCE POINT SYSTEM RATHER THAN AN ACTUAL WRITTEN TEST.

OTHER BENEFITS EXIST IN STATUTE FOR VETERANS: A.H.F.C. HAS A REDUCED INTEREST RATE; D.C.E.D. ADMINISTERS A SPECIAL VETERANS LOAN PROGRAM (9.5% MONEY FOR PERSONAL LOANS, BUSINESS LOANS, AND MULTIPLE DWELLINGS); THE OLD LAND DISPOSAL PROGRAM PROVIDED DISCOUNTS.

CURRENT STATUTE DEFINES VETERAN DIFFERENTLY FOR DIFFERENT PURPOSES -- LOANS VS. DEATH GRATUITY VS. EMPLOYMENT PREFERENCE.

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REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

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FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	5.0	0	0	0	0	0

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ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This bill would change the existing criteria for awarding veterans' points as well as change the number of points which traditionally have been awarded. \$5,000.00 is required to adequately publicize those changes in newspapers and radio stations throughout the state. The money would be used to purchase 2' x 4' ads in newspapers and 30-second radio spots.

Prepared By: David K. F. Otto, Director *DKFO* Phone: 465-4430
 Division: Personnel Date: 2-17-89

Approved by Commissioner: John M. Andrews *[Signature]* Date: 2/17/89
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Senate State Affairs Committee

MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Dick Eliason, Chairman
Senate Labor and Commerce Committee

FROM: Senator Pat Pourchot, Chairman
Senate State Affairs Committee *Pat*

RE: SB 56, Relating to state employment preference for
service in the National Guard

DATE: February 22, 1989

SB 56 was recently considered by the State Affairs Committee and now rests in the Labor and Commerce Committee. After the bill had moved from State Affairs it was brought to my attention that the language we adopted regarding disabled national guard members is inaccurate. The following amendment has been recommended by the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, and I would urge your favorable consideration of it.

Page 1, line 28 through page 2, line 3:

Delete existing language and insert:

(A) "disabled national guard member" means a former member of the national guard who was released or discharged from the national guard under honorable conditions because of a disability incurred in the line of duty;

cc: Senator Kelly
Dept. Military & Veterans Affairs

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57

SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

BILL NUMBER SB 57

SPONSOR Kelly

BILL TITLE License plates for organized militia/
create militia support fund

DATE REFERRED 1-9-89

HEARING SCHEDULED 2-15-89

FISCAL NOTE PREPARED

SPONSOR CONTACTED Dave Gray 3822 ✓

INTERESTED PARTIES CONTACTED

✓ Jeff Morrison, DMVA 4600
✓ Bill Brown, DMV 4335

OTHER

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

FIRST COMMITTEE OF REFERRAL

Date of 5-DAY NOTICE 2-9-89
IN ACCORDANCE WITH UNIFORM RULE 23

FURTHER

FINANCE

**FISCAL NOTE(S) MUST BE ATTACHED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH AS 24.08.035

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE 2-22-89

1/9/89

Mr. President:

SA Committee considered SB 57

license plates for the organized militia and creating a militia support fund

and recommended:

replace with CS SB 57 (St Aff) same title
 new title

attached amendment(s) and

letter of intent adopted

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

further referral to _____

FISCAL NOTE(S) attached zero
 appropriation no FN attached

fiscal impact
 Gov. FN introduced w/ bill

MEMBERS SIGNING DO PASS

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Tom Kelly

Paul ...

all others - No Rec
Jan. Fink - No Rec

Tom ...

Chairman signature and recommendation

Committee backup attached

1 IN THE SENATE

BY KELLY

2

SENATE BILL NO. 57

3

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4

SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5

A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to license plates for the ^{natl gdr} ~~organized~~
7 ~~militia~~ and creating a militia support fund."

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

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12 the commander's support fund. The fund consists of private contribu-
13 tions and money appropriated to it. The custodian of the fund is the
14 adjutant general. Money in the fund may be expended to promote the
15 morale, welfare, and recreational activities of members of the or-
16 ganized Alaska militia. *OK, 'cause discretionary*

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21 sents satisfactory proof of current membership in or of retirement
22 from the organized militia (ALASKA NATIONAL GUARD), the department may
23 design and issue registration plates that identify the vehicle as
24 registered to an active or retired [A] member of the Alaska National
25 Guard, ~~Alaska Naval Militia, or Alaska State Militia.~~ An [. THE]
26 owner who is an active member of the ^{ANG} organized militia shall return
27 the active member registration plates to the department within 10 days
28 following discharge from the organized militia [ALASKA NATIONAL
29 GUARD].

1 * Sec. 3. AS 28.10.421(d) is amended to read:

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3 imposed annually, unless otherwise specified, for:

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5 tration under AS 28.10.181) \$10;

6 (2) special request plates including those authorized for
7 use by ~~organized militia~~ [ALASKA NATIONAL GUARD] personnel only
8 \$30;

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15 be appropriated by the legislature to the commander's support fund
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19 years of age or older who files a written application for an exemption
20 on a form prescribed by the department none;

21 (4) a vehicle owned by the state none;

22 (5) a vehicle owned by an elected state official .. the fee
23 required for that vehicle under (b) of this section;

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28 (8) a snowmobile or off-highway vehicle \$5;

29 (9) an amateur mobile radio station vehicle,

1 (A) with a transceiver capable of less than 5-band
2 operation the fee
3 required for that vehicle under (b) or (c) of this section;

4 (B) in recognition of service to the public: a mobile
5 amateur radio station owned by an amateur with general class or
6 higher license, provided the station must be satisfactorily
7 proved capable of operating on at least five bands from 160
8 through 10 meters, must have an antenna, and must have a power
9 supply and wiring as a permanent part of the vehicle; the trans-
10 mitting unit may be removed from the car for service or dry
11 storage none
12 for a mobile amateur radio station vehicle included in (b)(1) or
13 (2) of this section;

14 (10) dealer registration plates,
15 (A) the initial set of plates \$45;
16 (B) each subsequent set of plates \$25;

17 (11) a vehicle owned by a municipality or charitable orga-
18 nization meeting the requirements of AS 28.10.181(e) \$5;

19 (12) an occasional use vehicle under AS 28.10.181(k)... \$15;

20 (13) a vehicle owned by a Pearl Harbor survivor or a former
21 prisoner of war none;

22 (14) special request Winter Olympics commemorative plates
23 \$70
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Revises fee structure for militia license plates - legislative intent that portion of fees go into "commander's support fund."

1 IN THE SENATE

BY KELLY

2 SENATE BILL NO. 57

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL broadens

application from National Guard to militia

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28 following discharge from the organized militia [ALASKA NATIONAL
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special plates section

active member vs. retired

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(2) special request plates including those authorized for use by organized militia [ALASKA NATIONAL GUARD] personnel only \$30;

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29 general fund; the annual estimated balance in the account may be

1 appropriated by the legislature to the Alaska sports fund established
2 under AS 05.35.150.

3 * Sec. 4. AS 28.10.421 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

4 (g) In addition to the fees imposed under (b) and (d) of this
5 section, the following special annual registration fee is imposed upon
6 renewal of registration for a motor vehicle with special request
7 Alaska National Guard, Alaska Naval Militia, or Alaska State Militia
8 license plates \$10;
9 the commissioner of administration shall separately account for the
10 fees received under this subsection that the department deposits into
11 the general fund; the annual estimated balance in the account may be
12 appropriated by the legislature to the commander's support fund estab-
13 lished under AS 26.05.195.

~~Fee is \$30~~ purchase/replace
annually

- Fee is currently \$30 to purchase /replace.
- Bill adds \$10 annual renewal fee.
- Of this, \$20 of the \$30 fee, and the entire \$10 fee, is to go into the "commander's support fund" (Not dedicated - leg. intent only.)

SB 57, An Act relating to license plates for the organized militia and creating a militia support fund.

SB 57 would establish the Commander's Support Fund within the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs. The fund would be used to promote the morale, welfare, and recreational activities of members of the organized Alaska militia. The fund would consist of private contributions and legislative appropriations.

SB 57 contains intent language that the legislature appropriate to the Commander's Fund the proceeds from the sale of special militia license plates. Under current statute, these plates are available to members of the Alaska National Guard at a cost of \$30. To enhance license revenues, SB 57 would establish an additional \$10 annual registration fee for the militia plate and authorize its issuance to the Alaska Naval Militia and Alaska State Militia. The department would separately account for \$20 of the \$30 purchase cost of the plates in anticipation that these funds, along with the \$10 surcharge, would be appropriated to the Commander's Fund.

Although the authorization to issue special National Guard plates has been on the books since 1986, none have been issued.

SB 65, An Act relating to motor vehicle license plates for veterans.

SB 65 would require the Department of Public Safety to design and issue special license plates for veterans. There would be no special fee for the plate; annual registration fees would be as per current statute (\$35 for a car, \$40 for a truck, etc.).

In addition to "vanity" plates (\$30 once, plus annual fee), current statute provides for special license plates for Pearl Harbor survivors and former prisoners of war (\$0), members of the Alaska National Guard (\$30 once, plus annual fee), disabled veterans and other handicapped persons (\$0), motor vehicle dealers (\$45 annually), elected state officials (\$0), historic vehicles (\$10 once), consular officers of foreign governments (\$35 annually), amateur mobile radio station vehicles (\$0, plus annual fee), ranchers and farmers (\$35 annually), and Winter Olympics commemoration (\$70 once, plus annual fee). (SB 117 would add special University plates (\$50 once, plus annual fee).

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23 \$70

24 plus the fee required for that vehicle under (b)(1) or (2) of this
25 section; the fee required by this paragraph shall be collected only on
26 the first issuance and on the replacement of special request plates;
27 the commissioner of administration shall separately account for the
28 fees received under this paragraph that the department deposits in the
29 general fund; the annual estimated balance in the account may be

1 appropriated by the legislature to the Alaska sports fund established
2 under AS 05.35.150.

3 * Sec. 4. AS 28.10.421 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

4 (g) In addition to the fees imposed under (b) and (d) of this
5 section, the following special annual registration fee is imposed upon
6 renewal of registration for a motor vehicle with special request
7 Alaska National Guard, Alaska Naval Militia, or Alaska State Militia
8 license plates \$10;
9 the commissioner of administration shall separately account for the
10 fees received under this subsection that the department deposits into
11 the general fund; the annual estimated balance in the account may be
12 appropriated by the legislature to the commander's support fund estab-
13 lished under AS 26.05.195.

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____ Agency Affected: Public Safety
Title: An Act relating to license plates
for the organized militia BRU: Division of Motor Vehicles
Sponsor: Senator Kelly Component: Field Services
Requestor: Senate State Affairs

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars) (Inflation not included)

OPERATING	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94
PERSONAL SERVICES		16.3				
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL		5.0	.5	.5	.5	.5
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT		3.0				
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	24.3	.5	.5	.5	.5

CAPITAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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REVENUE	-0-	15.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND		24.3	.5	.5	.5	.5
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	-0-	24.3	.5	.5	.5	.5

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME	0	1	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Please see attached page.

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Agency: Department of Public Safety

Date: 2-13-89

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11/8/89

Analysis:

There are approximately 5,000 National Guard and Militia members that would be eligible for these plates. The Division estimates that only 10% or 500 members will apply for these plates. The low estimate is based on two factors. A large percentage of the National Guard members are assigned to the Scout Battalions in western Alaska. They live in the small villages where registration is not required and many do not even own a vehicle. The second factor is the added cost which will deter those who are eligible and do own vehicles.

The first year costs are broken down as follows:

Personnel

1 part-time Motor Vehicle Representative I/II, Range 9	\$16.3
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This position will work in the Anchorage Headquarters to handle the administrative tasks associated with the start-up of the program. This will include updating vehicle records and issuing the initial years plates.

Contractual

500 pair of license plates @ \$5.00	2.5
APSIN terminal charges	<u>2.5</u>
	5.0

Equipment

APSIN terminal and printer	3.0
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TOTAL	\$24.3
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After the first year it is estimated that there will be 100 new requests for plates annually. The only cost will be for the purchase of the plates and the workload will be absorbed by existing personnel.

Revenue

The first year there will be 500 new requests at \$30.00 each for a total of \$15,000. After the first year there will be 500 renewals at \$10.00 each and 100 new requests at \$30.00 each for a total of \$8,000.