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Patrick M. Rodey
Senator

Alaska State Legislature



Senate


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During Session:
P.O. Box V
Juneau, Alaska 99811
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 18, 1992

TO : Representative David Finkelstein, Chair
House Labor & Commerce Committee

FROM: Senator Pat Rodey, Sponsor 

RE : CS SB 408 (L&C)-An Act relating to telephone service
for the deaf, hard of hearing and speech impaired.

CS SB 408 (L & C) passed the Senate on Monday, March 16 with a record vote of 18-0-2, and has been referred to your committee for consideration. As prime sponsor of the bill, I would appreciate your efforts to schedule the bill as soon as possible.

This legislation will streamline the administrative process of billing telephone services for the deaf, hard of hearing and speech impaired subscribers by consolidating the surcharge collection to one billing which would appear on the basic local exchange. Currently, subscribers are billed separately - one surcharge from the local exchange carrier (LEC) and another surcharge from the Interexchange carrier (IXC).

I believe it will help reduce any confusion over current billing practices for surcharges by combining both into a single monthly billing. The bill will not impact services nor reduce the amount of surcharges paid by the subscribers.

This legislation passed out of the Senate Labor and Commerce Committee with 3 Do Pass Recommendations, and is also supported by the Alaska Association of the Deaf, Inc. and the Alaska Public Utilities Commission.

STATE OF ALASKA

ALASKA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

WALTER J. HICKEL, GOVERNOR

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February 13, 1992

Senator Pat Rodey
P. O. Box V
Juneau, Alaska 99811
FAX: 463-3144

Dear Senator Rodey,

It is my understanding that you will be introducing legislation shortly that will modify AS 42.05.298 (Telephone Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Subscribers) to limit surcharge collections for this service to basic local phone bills. I strongly endorse your efforts in this matter.

The proposed amendment will greatly simplify the collection of the surcharge. The prior language required the surcharge to be collected from both the bills of local phone companies and Alascom, GCI, and any other interexchange carriers in the state. This amendment should reduce the administrative complexity of surcharge collections and reduce customer confusion by simply having one surcharge appear on a phone customer's local bill.

The proposed amendment will not effect the service o: the amount of the surcharge.

I will be bringing this proposal forward to the Commission's public meeting of February 26th for their review and full support. I believe this amendment will help streamline the program and make it easier to administer.

Thank you. If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Sincerely,



Mark A. Foster
Commissioner

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Association of the
Deaf, Inc.

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14 February 1992

Senator Patrick Rodey
Alaska State Legislature
PO Box V (MS 3100)
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Senator Rodey:

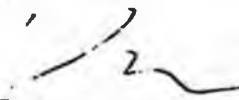
We are writing to express our support for the Bill entitled, "An Act relating to the surcharge for telephone services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing."

We understand that this bill may be introduced soon. On behalf of the Alaska Association of the Deaf, we support this bill proposing that the regulations for phone services to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing provide for cost recovery through surcharges added to the local exchange rates.

It is our hope that this bill will be passed.

If you have any questions, please contact our office.

Sincerely:


Albert Berke
President

And:

Robert, Alaska Public Utilities Commission, Chairman

March 12, 1992



**General
Communication
Incorporated**

Representative David Finkelstein
Chairman, House Labor and Commerce Committee
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Representative Finkelstein:

GCI respectfully requests the expeditious passage of Senate Bill No. 408 and House Bill No. 558. The entire telecommunications industry and the Alaska Public Utilities Commission (APUC) have endorsed these bills not only because they will eliminate confusion among consumers, but also because they will eliminate unnecessary added costs to the TRS system, thus making the system more efficient and cost effective.

The timeliness of this bill is very crucial. Unless the bill is passed and made effective before April 1, 1992, the APUC is obligated by AS 42.05.296, to require that the surcharges be collected from the basic local exchange rates and interexchange rates.

The APUC issued an order on February 24, 1992, that required the local exchange carriers (LEC) to collect the interexchange carrier's (IXC) share of surcharges on behalf of IXCs. The proposed regulations do not solve, and cannot solve, the problem of cost ineffectiveness and confusion to customers without the passage of Senate Bill No. 408 and House Bill No. 558. Furthermore, if the bill is passed after April 1, the APUC will have to revise its regulations again - twice in a year - with respect to the method of TRS surcharge collection.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Ronald A. Duncan
President

cc: Senator Patrick Rodey
Senator Fred F. Zharoff
Representative Johnny Ellis

Alaska Telephone Association

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Anchorage, Alaska 99503

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Jack H Rhyner
President

Gordon Parker
Executive Director

February 28, 1992

Hon. David Finkelstein
Alaska State House of Representatives
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Rep. Finkelstein:

Thanks so much for agreeing to introduce legislation amending the application of the surcharge designed to fund telephone services for the hearing and speech impaired.

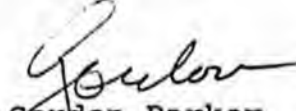
As you know, this bill is a non controversial, technical amendment to resolve difficulties in administering the hearing and speech impaired surcharge and in avoiding customer confusion. As the statute now stands, two surcharges must be applied: one to the local bill and one to the toll bill. SB 408 will simply provide for one surcharge. Passage of SB 408 will not affect either the level of service provided to the hearing and speech impaired nor will it alter the total to be collected in the surcharge.

As you know, the Alaska Public Utilities Commission requested and endorsed SB 408. I want to assure you that industry supports it as well. I can speak on behalf of the local telephone companies. I have also been assured by Alascom and GCI that they, too, believe it will relieve what is otherwise a very complex and expensive administrative problem. Additionally, Commissioner Mark Foster has informed me that the Alaska Association for the Deaf has endorsed the bill.

We did ask for expedited treatment of this legislation. We appreciate your response to that request. It was necessary to make the request since we must start billing the surcharge in April.

If you need any additional information, please call. Meanwhile, thanks again, David, for your help.

Sincerely,



Gordon Parker

GP:jl

(7)
Date Referred: March 23, 1992

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT
FURTHER REFERRALS:

HES

Date of Committee Action: 3/24/92

The LABOR AND COMMERCE Committee considered:

CSSB 408(L&C)

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 408 (L&C)

TELEPHONE SERVICE FOR HEARING IMPAIRED

"An Act relating to telephone service for the deaf, hard of hearing, and speech impaired."

RECOMMENDATIONS:
be replaced with House CS for CSSB 408(L&C) the same title a new title

have attached amendments(s)

do pass

do not pass

no recommendations

individual recommendations

additional referral to the _____ Committee

ADOPTS: _____ letter of Intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S): _____ (Dept)

APPROVES PREVIOUS: _____ (Dept/Date)

fiscal impact _____

fiscal note(s) _____

zero fiscal note _____

zero fiscal note(s) APUC

SIGNING <u>DO</u> PASS	DP	OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS	DNP	NR	AM
<i>Adrian L. Taylor</i>	X				
<i>[Signature]</i>	-				
<i>Walter W. Gouley</i>	X				
<i>Janet White</i>	X				

[Signature]
CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE

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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO : SB 422

Revision Date: _____

Department Affected: Labor

Title: "An Act exempting certain community health aides from overtime wage requirements."

BRU: Labor Standards & Safety

Sponsor: Senator Hoffman

Component: Wage & Hour

Requestor: Senate Labor & Commerce

COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 345

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
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

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Randy Carr
Prepared by: Randy Carr, Acting Director

Phone : 269-4900

Division: Labor Standards & Safety

Date : 3/3/92

Approved by Commissioner: C.W. Mahlen

Agency: Department of Labor

Date: 3/3/92

Distribution (by preparer): Legislative Finance, Legislative Sponsor, Requestor, OMB, & Impacted Agency(ies).

BILL NO: Senate Bill No. 422

DATE: March 13, 1992

TITLE: "An Act exempting certain community health aides from overtime wage requirements."

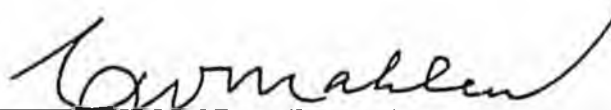
CONTACT: Arbe Williams
465-2700

Senate Bill No. 422 would exempt community health aides employed by a local or regional health organization from the overtime provision of the Alaska Wage and Hour Act. The bill was introduced in an attempt to accommodate the unpredictable hours of work required of the community health aides.

The Alaska Wage and Hour Act requires monetary overtime compensation for any hours worked in excess of eight hours a day. Community health aides are usually the only medically trained persons in the village and are required to work on a 24 hour on-call basis in order to respond to medical emergencies at any hour. The exemption is an attempt to allow flexibility in the work schedules of the community health aides. In addition, it appears that the community health aides would opt for compensatory payment of overtime worked which the Wage and Hour Act also cannot accommodate.

This legislation does not have an impact on the programs of the Department. We will not oppose this effort to address the needs of the health organizations. The right of the community health aides to overtime compensation after a forty hour work week will be protected by the Fair Labor Standards Act.

APPROVED:



C. W. Mahlen, Commissioner
Department of Labor

POSITION PAPER/Department of Labor

BILL: SB 422

SHORT TITLE: COMMUNITY HEALTH AIDE OVERTIME EXEMPTION

NAME:

TITLE: "An Act exempting certain community health aides from overtime wage requirements."

SPONSOR(S): SENATOR(S) HOFFMAN

CURRENT STATUS: (H) L&C

STATUS DATE: 03/30/92

Selection=>

PF1	PF2	PF3	PF4	PF5	PF6	PF7	PF8	PF9	PF10	PF11	PF12
HELP	SUBJ	EXIT	MENU	TEXT	PRINT	BWD	FWD	FISCAL	FIRST	LAST	QUIT
SB 422											

Bill/Resolution Floor Action

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Current Status: (H) L&C

	Jrn-Date	Jrn-Page	Action
1	02/18/92	2120	(S) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRAL(S)
2	02/18/92	2120	(S) LABOR & COMMERCE
3	03/18/92	2424	(S) L&C RPT 4DP
4	03/18/92	2424	(S) ZERO FISCAL NOTE PUBLISHED (LABOR)
5	03/27/92	2525	(S) RULES TO CALENDAR 3/27/92
6	03/27/92	2529	(S) READ THE SECOND TIME
7	03/27/92	2529	(S) ADVANCED TO THIRD READING UNAN CONSENT
8	03/27/92	2529	(S) READ THE THIRD TIME SB 422
9	03/27/92	2529	(S) PASSED Y16 N1 E3
10	03/27/92	2538	(S) TRANSMITTED TO (H)
11	03/30/92	2811	(H) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRAL(S)
12	03/30/92	2811	(H) L&C

DATE: 2/18/92

FURTHER:

Date of 5-Day Notice: 3/10/92
(in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED
INTO OFFICE: _____

L&C Committee considered SB 422

"An Act exempting certain community health aides from overtime wage requirements."

and recommends:

replace with _____ CS _____ (_____)

same title
 new title
 technical
title change
(HB only)

attaches amendment(s)

adopts _____ Letter of Intent

further referral to the _____

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

NEW FISCAL NOTES: Dept/Date

zero fiscal notes
LABOR 3-3-92

fiscal notes _____

appropriation--no fiscal note

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTES: Dept/Date

Governor's bill with fiscal notes:
zero fiscal notes _____

fiscal notes _____

DO PASS:

Stanley Craft
William Collins
Keith Halford

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

True Verance: 10/12/92
Chair: Signature and Recommendation

TANANA CHIEFS CONFERENCE INC.
HEALTH SERVICES
122 FIRST AVENUE
FAIRBANKS, ALASKA 99701 FAX # 452-8937
PHONE 1 (800) 478-7822 ext 299 or (907) 452-2446

DATE: 3/14/92

FROM:
PAUL SHERRY DIRECTOR TCC HEALTH
RON GOULD DIRECTOR VILLAGE HEALTH SERVICES:
COMMUNITY HEALTH PRACTITIONER PROGRAM

TO: SENATOR LYMAN HOFFMAN

RE: SB442 CHA OVERTIME EXEMPTION

TANANA CHIEFS CONFERENCE INC, AND ITS HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAM,
INCLUDING THE COMMUNITY HEALTH AIDE/ PRACTITIONER PROGRAM SUPPORT
THE EXEMPTION OF CHA/PS FROM OVERTIME PAY.

THE COMMUNITY HEALTH AIDE/ PRACTITIONER, AT THEIR LEVEL OF
TRAINING PROVIDE PATIENT CARE IN A COMPARABLE WAY TO PHYSICIAN
ASSISTANTS, NURSE PRACTITIONERS, AND PHYSICIANS, SUPERVISING
OTHERS AND MAKING ADMINISTRATIVE AND MEDICAL MANAGEMENT
DECISIONS. THESE ARE DONE LIKE ALL OF THE ABOVE IN INDEPENDENT
AND CONSULTING INTERACTIONS DEPENDING ON THE PROBLEM AT HAND.

THE CHA PERSONNEL ARE COMPENSATED AS ADEQUATELY SALARIED
EMPLOYEES WITH FULL BENEFITS, AND AGENCY PAID TRAINING.
ASSISTANCE IN PROVIDING HEALTH CARE IS OFFERED BY ALTERNATE CHA'S
OR SECOND AND THIRD PRIMARY POSITIONS TO SHARE THE WORK LOAD AND
ON CALL DUTIES.

PLEASE ADD CHA'S TO THE EXEMPT STATUS OF OTHER MEDICAL PROVIDERS



Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation Community Health Aide Program

Restoring Native Self-Determination in Primary Care, Prevention and Health Promotion

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March 13, 1992

Senator Lyman Hoffman
P.O. Box V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Senator Hoffman;

I'm writing in support of Senate Bill # 422 which is in regards to exempting Community Health Aides from the State Law requiring payment of overtime.

I've been associated with the Health Aide Program since 1980. During this time I've been fortunate to be a part of many changes within this program. When I arrived, Health Aides would work overtime with little or no compensation. They had little time for their families, few vacations, and were "on call" a majority of the time. Our attrition rate was over 50%, and we had great difficulty recruiting anyone to fill CHA vacancies. I realize I'm painting a "bleak" picture of how our situation was at the time, but we truly were in a "crisis".

Then we received additional federal money which enabled us to help us deal with these problems. In our corporation we made a commitment to provide a way for our CHA's to have relief in their work schedules. They now normally work three weeks in their clinics, do the "on-calls" that are needed, and have one week off every month. Time after time the CHA's tell me this has helped them more than increased salaries and increased staffing. The ability to get away from the village, to go hunting, fishing or just out on the tundra to refresh their minds has decreased our attrition rates. Additionally I'm seeing individuals now wanting to be CHA's rather than positions going unfilled for lack of qualified applicants.

Exempting CHA's from the state overtime law will enable us to continue our schedules, and it also will provide us with the flexibility to change our CHA work schedules if their needs change in the years to come.

I realize I'm rather biased when it comes to the CHA Program, but I'm constantly amazed by the grand work they perform. A week doesn't pass that I don't receive a letter praising a CHA for diagnosing an unusual condition, or coolly handling a life threatening emergency, or delivering a set of twins, and on and on. This will be a special way the State of Alaska can say "thanks CHA's for a job well done."

I'm privileged to be a part of this program, and will be looking forward to your legislative action in regards to this issue.

Sincerely,



Mary Anaruk
CHAP Director

pc: John Robinson, V.P. Community Services
Donn Kruse, Medical Director



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE
HEALTH SERVICES AND MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

1-23-72

Dear Governor Hickel

My name is Kress Clark
and I am a health aide in Aniak. I am
writing to ask you to keep the health aides
exempt from the over-time laws.
We health aides really need and deserve
our week off. Ours is a very stress-full
job and with out our week off there
would be a lot less health aides than
there are now. Less health aides in
the villages means poor health care
in the villages, and a greater expense
for the people. I am sure you are
aware of the financial situation in the
bush and realize how expensive it would
be for a person to have to go to Bethel
because of a minor problem, when a health
aide could treat it at home. In closing
I urge you to consider that health aides
need a break, to prevent burn out and
the people need health aides to maintain
high quality health care for the villages.

I thank
you
Kress Clark - CHA
Aniak

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Jennie .D. Tunguing
 P.O. Box 5004
 Koliganek, Ak 99576
 January 23,1992

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To <i>Mira Munoz</i>	From <i>(Mara) Tunguing</i>
Co.	Co. <i>Jennie</i>
Dept.	Phone #
Fax #	Fax #

Walter Hickel-Governor
 Governors Office
 State Legislator Building
 Juneau Ak, 99811-0800

Dear Governor,

My name is Jennie Tunguing ,a Health Aide from the village of Koliganek and I work for Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation. I get calls after hours from the people in my village and also have to take care of emergencies that happen after I close the clinic. I feel that it is better for me to have extra time off like every 3rd week then to get paid for the extra time that I work. I use that time to get away from the village to relax or for subsistence purposes. Having extra time off is better for me then having overtime, because it gives me time away from a very stressful job. I do not agree with the idea off working full time without having a week off.
 Thanking you for your consideration.

Cordially,
Jennie D. Tunguing
 Jennie .D. Tunguing
 CHA
 Koliganek

Suzanne Evanoff, CHP
Box 474
Pilot Point, AK. 99649

Ms. Myra Munson
Governors Office
Juneau, Ak. 99801

January 23, 1992

Dear Ms. Munson,

My name is Suzanne Evanoff of Pilot Point, Alaska where I work as a Community Health Practitioner for the Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation. In my position, when I am "on call" I receive many calls after hours from people with health problems. Also, as primary caregiver I must respond to any and all emergency calls, after hours and weekends.

I would prefer to keep the scheduled week off as is instead of being paid for the extra time. With time off I can relax and relieve the stress built up from this demanding job. I also use my time off for subsistence, travel, and for medical appointments for my family and myself.

Thank-you for letting me express my feelings on this issue, as having extra time off is better for me than getting paid overtime.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Evanoff, CHP
Suzanne Evanoff, CHP

cc: Paul Fuhs
Laurie Naughtenham

P. O. Box 192
Naknek, Alaska 99633

465-3147

January 22, 1992

Mr. Paul Fuhs
Lori Naughtenhaus

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Sandra Pitts, I am a Community Health Aide from Naknek, Alaska. I am an employee of Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation since 1987.

I am concerned about the "comp time" that I receive from my employers. I wholeheartly support the 2 week on with every 3rd week off as comp time. I prefer this schedule, as it gives me the extra time to unwind after being on call 24 hours a day as a Community Health Aide. I get calls from the residents of Naknek after my regular clinic hours for emergencies and other health needs that have to be met. Naknek is a busy community in the summer months as we get an increase in population for the busy fishing season. This schedule of 2 weeks on with 1 week off is a big help in a situation that otherwise would create burnout.

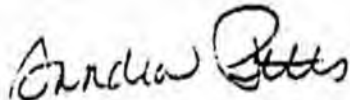
I prefer the comp time instead of the overtime pay, as it gives me time to do other activities, such as subsistence fishing, hunting, and not having to worry about the medical needs, which is done by the other CHA, who also has this opportunity during her time off.

If this schedule were not available, I would probably not be a CHA, as the wages do not even come close to what other medical personnel doing this same kind of work gets.

I hope this helps you to understand and support our "comp time" status. This system has worked for the last 2-3 years that I have been a CHA, and I want it to continue.

Thank-you.

Sincerely,



Sandra Pitts
Naknek - Community Health Aide 246-4214

cc: Myra Munsen 586-5883
Diane Juneau - CHAP Director -BBAHC

TOGIAC HEALTH CLINIC

P.O. Box 128

TOGIAC, AK 99678-0128

(907) 493-5511

January 23, 1992

From: Sirena Alakayak, CHA
Togiak Health Clinic
P.O. Box 128
Togiak, Alaska 99678

ATT: *Myra Manson*

Re: Health Aide Schedules

Hi! My name is Sirena Alakayak and I am a Health Aide from Togiak Clinic. I work for Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation. I get calls from people in the village when the clinic is closed when they are sick, I also have to take care of emergencies 24 hours a day.

It's better for me to have extra time off like every 3rd week, then to get paid for the extra time I work. I can use the extra time for subsistence use, be with my family because I have an infant son at home or to get away from the village for a while because when I'm working I have to sit by the phone constantly without doing anything else. Having extra time off is better for me then getting paid overtime.

Thank-you.

Sincerely,

Sirena Alakayak

Sirena, Alakayak, CHA

SA/cac

cc: ftle
Sirena Alakayak

BRISTOL BAY AREA HEALTH CORPORATION

P.O. BOX 130 • DILLINGHAM, ALASKA 99576

(907) 842-5201 or (907) 842-5202

January 23, 1992

Paul Fuhs
Office of the Governor
P.O. Box A
Juneau, Alaska 99811-0101

Dear Mr. Fuhs:

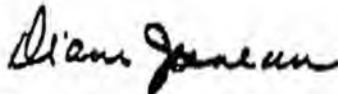
As the Director of the Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation's, Community Health Aide Program, I am stating my support for designating Community Health Aides as Exempt employees.

The Community Health Aide must take call for sickness and emergencies 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

In general, the Health Aides in Bristol Bay prefer to get scheduled time off rather than being paid overtime, for the extra hours that they work. At present they get every third week off to compensate for the extra hours of call and work time. The Health Aides enjoy this week off since they can do whatever they want during this time without worrying about caring for their village people. They often use this time for home and family activities, substance, or just to get away from the village.

Please feel free to call me at 907-842-9344 for any further comments on this very important issue.

Sincerely:



Diane Juneau, R.N.
Community Health Aide Program Director
Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation

cc: Myra Munson

Tuntutuliak Health Aides
General Delivery
Tuntutuliak, AK 99680
January 23, 1992

Dear Governor Hickel and The State Legislature,

We, Helen, Lucy, and Annie; Health Aides here in the village of Tuntutuliak are concerned about our week off being suspended. As the village Health Aides it's hard for us to deal with all the problems that our community, especially the teenagers, have. Not being fully experienced with the mental problems such as depression, suicidal attempts, and so on gives us enough stress thinking about what will happen next.

Helen, one of the Health Aides, who had an experience being on call 24 hours a day 7 days a week said, "A lot of Health Aides had quit their jobs due to being burned out or to reduce stress." She also mentioned that having to have a week off has given her a chance to forget about the problems by being with the family and doing home chores.

Thank - you,
Health Aides
Helen A. Pavika
Annie S. Frank

From: SCAMMON Health aides
SCAMMON Bay, Alaska
1/23/92 99662

To: Governors office
ATTN: Lori Nottingham

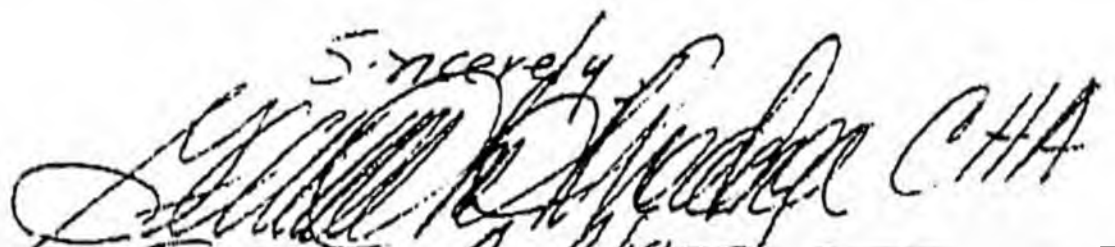
Dear Governor,

I am writting in support of
Health aides week off. I am writting
to request for continue over time work
and week off with pay for Health Aides.

Our week off is very important for all the
health aides, because it gives us time to rest
before we go back to our 24 hr. on call the
Following week, so that we can be rested and
be readdy to work with the sick people and
emergencies without being over tired.

We use our week off after three weeks of
seeing 20 or more patients a day.

It is very IMPORTANT for BUSH COMMUNITY
to have HEALTH AIDE efficient and effective
health aide. WE HOPE FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

Sincerely,
 CHA

**Akiachak Native Community
Akiachak IRA Council**

AKIACHAK, ALASKA 99501

(907) 826-4320

1/23/91

1) Why I want to be exempt.

The reason why I want to be exempt- is because we get burned out from work. Also, lots of health aides have stop working from being burned out.

2) How important your week off is to you.

it helps us to be more refreshed after our week off, from being stress. Helps us to support our family by hunting or doing chores at home.

3) How to use your week off.

We use our week off to rest from seeing patient and also from being stress out. Also, to be with our family. Mainly to hunt for food.

Thank-you.

Ickley J. Charles

Ickley J. Charles- CIA.

Akiachuk Native Community
Akiachuk IRA Council

AKIACHUK, ALASKA 99551

(907) 828-4320

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To be fresh to go to work after week off. During our week off it helps us to do what needs to be done at home and stay with family members. Also, going out to tundra having fresh air, and to villages to see some friends.

So we can go to work with a fresh mind.

Thank-you.


Filma Peter- CHA

Akiachak Native Community
Akiachak IRA Council

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1) Why I want to be exempt-

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Because if I don't get exempt from work I will be burned out from work, and before the week-off policy, There was alot of health aides quitting work. If we continue to have our week-off. we will be refreshed to come back for 3 more weeks.

2) How important my week-off is.

It is important because it helps me to think right- rest my mind a little from worrying about the patients I see. Rests my tired and burned out mind for a whole week, and not worrying about quitting.

3) How I use my week-off.

I spent my time away from Clinic and instead of patients I get to spent some time with my family and rest at home. Also, to do my home chores and what needs to be done, which I was unable to do when I was worrying; 24 hrs a day to see if there was going to be emergency patient or not.

Thanks,

Anna Mac Moran

Anna Mac Moran

CHP-

Akiachak Clinic

To: The Governor's office.

ATTN: HORI NOTTINGHAM

From: Marshall Health Aides.

Why we want to be exempt from overtime laws. We work 3 wks straight and were on-call 2 wks out of 3 wks. When were on-call it means being on-call for 24 hours a day for 7 days. And by the end of 3 wks were really stressed out. We need that 1 wk off to get ourselves ready mentally and physically for the next 3 wks, and whatever emergencies we might encounter for the next 3 wks.

How important is the week-off to us.

A lot of people think working as a health aide is easy. But to us it isn't, because it's a very stressful job. We take a lot of crap from people that like to complain and most of the time we ignore the complaints. But still it gets to much sometimes. When we have emergencies and that patient dies, that's when it really hits us mentally and that's the time we really need the wk-off.

How do we use the week-off.

We use our week off to be with our family, do house work, get caught up on laundry etc. And if our week-off falls on the holidays that's even better, because when were working during holidays we only get 1 day off for that particular holiday. We the health aides value our week-off, because it gives us a break from being stressed out.

From: Elizabeth L. Fitts - CHA
Ruth A. Fitts - CHA

AS A CHP AND A CURRENT SUPERVISOR OF CHA'S I FEEL THAT THE CHA'S SHOULD BE EXEMPT FROM OVERTIME LAWS.

THE CHA'S SCHEDULE IS VERY STRESSFUL. THE WEEK OFF THEY CURRENTLY RECIEVE ALLOWS FOR MUCH NEEDED REST AND INCREASES CHA EFFECTIVENESS.

THE CHA'S NEED A WEEK OFF TO FULLY RECOVER FROM THE CONSTANT JOB RRLATED STRESS IMPOSED BY THE CHA POSITION.

PLEASE PASS LEGISLATION ALLOWING US TO CONTINUE OUR PRESENT WORKING SCHEDULE.

I think it's very important for healthaides to have their week offs. Because it gives them time to be with their families full time. This is especially important for small children. They can also do some other things they do during the day, like washing clothes (some pile up in large families), making their family full cooked meals, house cleaning and a lot of other things housewives do. These week offs can also be used ~~to~~ to go berry picking in summer, fish cleaning & drying or just go to another place if they want to have complete free time. This is because they're still on call for emergencies if they are in their village even if the other healthaide is officially on call.

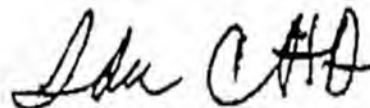
Sincerely,
Manthe Albert

January 22-92

Ida, and Martha CHA, CHP
Box NME
Nighthuts, Ak 99690

To: Governor Hickel,

Our week-off's are important to us, because we can spend more time with our families, and loved ones at home, and the CHA-P wouldn't be stress out from work. If we didn't have any week-off's we would start to forget what we need to do, because we didn't have any week-offs, and we'd have short temper. We use our week-offs to take time, and relax at home, and not worry about work. Besides we need week-offs to do our chores.

Thanks for your time
Ida CHA

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1-23-92 3:52PM YKHC CHAP COMM SVCS- 9075003000- P.05
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City of Toksook Bay

TOKSOOK BAY CLINIC
NELSON ISLAND
TOKSOOK BAY, ALASKA 99837
(907) 427-7712

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I want to be exempt because my week off is very important to me because I get to spend with my family after being away at work for two weeks. My wk-off is very important to me to because i get to catch up on my housework. We do not have easy life in Village because we mostly do everything by ourself like getting heat for house - poch water and dump honey buckets in designation area. We dont have services to provides us for someone to do for us all those things, besides that its stress relieving for us from work.

I use my week off to catch up on all the work that i have to do at home and get to stay with my family too.

So please exempt us from overtime law.

Henry Lindsay float CHP,
Toksook Bay

City of Toksook Bay

1-23-92

TOKSOOK BAY CLINIC
NELSON ISLAND
TOKSOOK BAY, ALASKA 99837
(907) 427-7712

I am a health aide from Toksook Bay. I want to be exempt so I can continue to have my week-off. My week-off is very important to me because that's the time I get to get some of my stress off from work. When I have my week off I spend my time with my family and that's also the time when we catch up with so many things we have to do. Some of subsistence hunting and some catch up work with the seals, fish, berry picking and so on. If we stop having our week-off we will be stressed and burned-out. I have worked before we had our week-off. So many health aides have burned out. And we don't want that to happen to us.

We mostly work over time seeing patients, waiting for Dr. to call back, do home visits after working hours, even see patients during weekends, and we don't get paid for overtime. I would very much would like to continue to have my week-off.

Anna R. John, C.H.A.
Toksook Bay

City of Toksook Bay 1-23-92

TOKSOOK BAY CLINIC
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- 1) I want to be Exempt so I can continue to get my week off. I like my week off because that's when I can do the things I have to do. I don't want to work without my week off because I know I'll get burned-out. Being a health aide is not easy job. There's lots of worrying, thinking & grieve. That's why I want exempt so that I can continue to have my week off. I don't think any health aide can last long on the job without the week off.
- 2) My week off is very important to me because that's the time I get to do the things I have to do & like to do. I work 6 hrs a day Monday thru Friday for 3 wks & get my week off. During those 3 wks I work on people with different health problems. When I work on people who are very ill I get worried my mind really does lots of thinking. Children that are ill make me worry to, I think about their parents. I get calls at night & early morning hrs. When I get called I go. When I work for 3 wks busy I get stressed. That's why my week off is very important to me.
- 3) I use my week off to be with my family, to hunt, check fish traps, other traps, get fire wood. I love to hunt on my week off when the weather lets me. But can go every day because I'm stuck at work. I love working as a health aide for my community. I can write & write & write about what I do on my week off. **I THANK GOD THAT WE HAVE THE WEEK OFF THAT WE HEALTH AIDES REALLY NEED VERY, VERY MUCH.**

Thank you

James B. Moses CITY

City of Toksook Bay

1-23-92

TOKSOOK BAY CLINIC
NELSON ISLAND
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I want to Exempt because my week-off is very important to me because it helps me in so many ways and it worth getting it.

My week off is very important to me because it gives me relieve from the stress I had in work and it gives me time to recuperate, working As a health care is very difficult + being Burned Doesn't help us working. getting our week off helps a whole lots from Burning out, Cause being burned out is like walking in the dark Don't know where your going.

I use my week off to spend more time with my family + it makes my family happy to be around there mom. Kids needs to spend time with there mom + it helps me to catch-up what I missed. Also I get to catch up on house hold work + things I need to do it helps alot during Spring + Summer time Cause at that time we start working in seal + fish + we get to work on them before they get spoiled.
PLEASE EXEMPT US FROM OVERTIME LAW

Julia Street
Toksook Bay

City of Toksook Bay

1-23-92

TOKSOOK BAY CLINIC
NELSON ISLAND
TOKSOOK BAY, ALASKA 99897
(907) 427-7712

- ① I am a Certified Community Health Aide Practitioner from TOKSOOK Bay. I want to be exempt, because it helps me in so many ways, and is worth in so many different ways.
- ② My week off is real important to me, because it relieves me from stress, and prevents me from getting burned out from work. Nevertheless, it makes me feel more relaxed, and be less stressed for the next 3 weeks I have to work, instead of being burned out from work and stressed from worrying about so many things like (e.g. weather, patients, and unexpected emergencies), and trying to meet all of the patients needs like I used to do in the past years before we ever got our week-offs. Now that we get our week-offs it has ~~helped us~~ helped us and has made a big difference from our past lives.
- ③ I use my week off by spending more time with my family or visiting relatives. It also helps me catch up on all my chores. Spending time with my family is good, and I look forward to having my week off, because I hardly get to spend as much time as I want to with my family since I work 6 hours a day and were always on call 24 hours a day for emergencies. Some days we hardly spend a night with our family, because we have to either escort our patients in or watch our patients for the whole night till the planes arrive in the morning with the weather permitting. I am so proud and very grateful for the week-offs we get. I even thank God for week offs we get, because every Health Aide in the Delta deserves a week off which is worth a whole lot. I also love my job even though it maybe a stressful job, and I love taking care of our people in our village.

Thank You,

ANVIK CLINIC
P.O. BOX 50
ANVIK, ALASKA 99558-0050
(907) 663-6334

January 23, 1992

The Honorable Governor Walter Hickel
State Capitol
P.O. Box A
Juneau, AK 99811-0101

Dear Governor Hickel:

I am writing to you regarding the overtime law which Community Health Aides are exempt from.

We do not receive overtime regardless of the overtime we put in after regular hours and during weekends. This all balances out with our week off time with pay.

During some instances we work during our week off if there is an emergency and the other CHA needs assistance. Our week off gives us time to review and educate ourselves using the Community Health Aide Manual without interruptions.

We encourage you to support exempting the CHA's from the overtime law. For this is very important to all CHA's.

Thank you for your time and consideration regarding this matter.

Sincerely, *Marsha Jarue*

ANVIK CLINIC

Marsha Jarue
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**Kodiak
Area
Native
Association**



402 Center Avenue
Kodiak, Alaska 996
Phone (907) 486-57

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To: JANA Larsen KANA Regional Health Director
From: Lauren J. Salamone KANA CHAP Manager
Harvey Baker KANA CHAP Instructor Coordinator
Date: January 23, 1992

As you know, Kodiak Area Native Association CHAP Program strongly supports Governor Hickel's Legislation for exempt status for our Community Health Aides.

Representing KANA will be the following CHAP employees available to discuss this issue via telephone today:

Harvey Baker CHAP 907-461-2025 V. H. H.
Stella Stanley CHAP 1-286-2215 WORK
1-286-2217 HOME

Julie Rowland CHAP 1-454-2414 home

Also, Valen Rife CHA Larsen Bay will be saving you & Myra a letter of support.

Thank-you for all your efforts.

Lauren

Jan. 23, 1992

TO: Paul Furse

This letter is in support of the governor's bill for Community Health Aide's.

Currently, I am working as a health aide in Larsen Bay. My work hours are 6 hours a day in the clinic and on call hours are 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week etc. Have you heard of "Burnout"?

I prefer the compensatory time because of having to deal with the stressful situations that arise in my position as a CHA. We need changes made desperately for this reason.

Thank you for your
time and service.

Sincerely,

Valen Ript -CHA
Larsen Bay, Ak.

FROM

1.23.1992

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~~VIGILANTE KILLER~~ OF EIGHTH JG 1

LARSEN BAY TRIBAL COUNCIL
P.O. BOX 35 LARSEN BAY, ALASKA 99824
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TO: MYRA MUNSON OR JANA LARSEN

REQUEST THE ATTACHED NUMBER OF PAGES 1 TO BE DELIVERED TO:

NAME MYRA MUNSON OR JANA LARSEN

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LOCATION: JUNEAU, AK.

PHONE NUMBER: 463-3567

FROM: VALEN REFT

OFFICE: L. B. CLINIC

LOCATION: LARSEN BAY, AK. 99824

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DATE SENT: 1/23/92

TIME SENT: _____

Emmanuel Clinic

Emmanuel, Ok 99581

phone 949-1511

from C.H.P./Pamela, Dorothy, Dana
Dorothy & Maggie

Att - Mrs Nottingham

Dear

Emmanuel Nickel,

It is important for all the C.H.P./As
to have one week off each and once a
month. Because having one week off
helps us have rest from ill patients,
depression (etc) also from over tired
and losing interest from our job.
Being a C.H.P./As is not easy, because
many of us have family of our own
our village's will be living are not
getting smaller each year, they are
getting bigger, in the near future they
will increase more.

Having a week off helps us to have
rest. Be with our own family, being
together with your own family is for
a week is good for you with thinking
of it as you a change. Also helps us
do our work at home, sewing, clean
making good meals, etc. Most important
that our's whole being.

Faxed from Emo to Geneva also!

This letter is to support Exempting CHA's from the overtime law, and to encourage Governor Michel and the State Legislature to support us.

Being the Health Aide is very stressful job, and the workload gets heavy at the end of day, That's why we are asking for your support to continue our work-off as it was before.

Ever since the Week-off started couple years ago, Health Aides that I talked with are less stress and working more harder than before, and we have less burn-out CHA's, That's why its important for us.

We have used our week-off for couple years, and in our village, we take 3 who on and 1 wk. off, and its working very well.

We are asking for your support and the State Legislature, because if this week off continues, it will surely brighten our lives and the rest of the people.

Thank-you for your support.

Sincerely Health Aides
Thomas J. Andrew
Julia Wittchell

Nunavut Health Ct 99641

MAILED TO JUNEAU 12 11:35 AM 1/23/92

1-23-92

To
Governor Hickel and
the state Legislature

From:

Ruth M Euan CHP

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Napaskiak, Clinic

Napaskiak, AK 99559

The reason why ~~want~~ we want to be exempt, is that we have tough times at our villages with our jobs, it is very stressful and many of us work 24 hrs a day, twice or three times a week that is why our week off is very important to us, that is how we get our stress and depression off, we get to stay with our family and friends for a wk, and still we work with emergencies on our week off, we never exactly be off we still see patients.

Thank-you

Very much

Ruth M Euan CHP

Napaskiak Clinic

Napaskiak, AK 99559

January 23, 1992

To: Paul Fuhs
Lori Naughtenham
Myra Munson

From: Nancy Dull, CHP
Gloria Hanson, CHA
Fevronia Neketa, CHA

Re; Week off for CHA'S

Dear: Mr. Fuhs, Ms. Naughtenham, and Ms. Munson

We are Health Aides from New Stuyahok. We work for Bristol Bay Area health Corporation. We often get calls after Clinic hours either from people who are sick or emergencies. It's better for us to have extra time off, - like every 3rd. week off than to get paid for the extra hours that we work. We need that time off to get away, be with our families or for subsistence time. As in the past when health aides did not get any time off at all, it increase the number of health aides that quit because of burn out or stress.

It will also save the government money when it does not have to pay more money to hire new health aides, after a health aide quit because of burn out and stress.

We will not last long as a Community Health Aide in New Stuyahok or anywhere else if we lose our time off. Please reconsider this matter very carefully before you take away our week off

Sincerely,

Nancy Dull Chp
Gloria J. Hanson - Cha
Fevronia Neketa Cha



Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation

P.O. Box 130
DILLINGHAM, ALASKA 99576
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FAX: (907) 842-9354

TO:	FROM:
Myra Munson	NAME: Sirena Alakeyak
	DEPARTMENT: Chap
TELEPHONE: FAX: 586-5883	TELEPHONE: FAX: 842-9354

COMMENTS: _____

DATE: _____

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TOGIAK HEALTH CLINIC

P.O. Box 128

TOGIAK, AK 99678-0128

(907) 493-8511

January 23, 1992

From: Sirena Alakayak, CHA
Togiak Health Clinic
P.O. Box 128
Togiak, Alaska 99678

ATT: *Laurie Naughtonham*

Re: Health Aide Schedules

Hi! My name is Sirena Alakayak and I am a Health Aide from Togiak Clinic. I work for Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation. I get calls from people in the village when the clinic is closed when they are sick. I also have to take care of emergencies 24 hours a day.

It's better for me to have extra time off like every 3rd week, then to get paid for the extra time I work. I can use the extra time for subsistence use, be with my family because I have an infant son at home or to get away from the village for a while because when I'm working I have to sit by the phone constantly without doing anything else. Having extra time off is better for me then getting paid overtime.

Thank-you.

Sincerely,

Sirena Alakayak

Sirena, Alakayak, CHA

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cc: ftle
Sirena Alakayak



Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation Community Health Aide Program

"Fostering Native Self-Determination in Primary Care, Prevention and Health Promotion"

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Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation
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Transmittal Sheet

TO: Myra Munson
86-5883

FROM: YKHC / H.A.S
DAWN CROMBIE

DATE: 1-23-91

NO. OF PAGES: 3 (Including this Page)

SENT BY: Dawn Crombie

COMMENTS: HERE are several
letters that have been
fixed to the Governor's office.

We will send them as they
arrive.
Dawn Crombie



NORTON SOUND HEALTH CORPORATION

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NOME, ALASKA 9976
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To <i>Myra Munson</i>	From <i>Shirley Daniels</i>	
Co.	Co. <i>NSEC/VHS</i>	
Dept.	Phone <i>(907) 443-3283</i>	
Fax # <i>272-8332</i>	Fax # <i>443-3139</i>	

November 12, 1991

Myra Munson
Suite 700
900 West Fifth Avenue
Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Ms. Munson:

This letter is in regards to whether CHA/P's should be considered exempt or non exempt.

NSEC has 49 filled CHA/P positions 26 of 49 were surveyed or 53%. 14 for non exempt, 9 for exempt and 3 undecided. 14 voted to remain non exempt due to the following reasons:

1. NSEC does not give compensation for overtime worked under exempt.
2. CHA/P's like the extra income.
3. Currently CHA/P's work over 40 hours per week.

Marion Aukon 1-2
Janice Walunga 2
Grace Ongtewasruk 2
Vivian Obruk 3
Arlene Saccheus 2

Irene Aukongak 1-2
Henrietta Wilson 3
Geraldine Nixsik 2
Mary Jane Mercurief 3

Lucy Apatiki 2
Eila Agibinik 3
Millie Lee 3
Leonard Adams 2

The following voted for exemption:

Carolyn Hoongwook
Bobby Kava
Sally Agloinga

Karen Iya
Karen Waghayi
Norma Kavairlook

Jesse Cologergen
Martha Kayouktuk
Diane Acoman

The following were undecided:

Orpha Oozevasuk

Martha Abouchak

Sally Olanna

I hope this has helped. Any questions please feel free to call me at 443-3282.

Thank you for your time

Sincerely,

Shirley Daniels

Shirley Daniels, Director
Village Health Services

cc: Ray Herrera, Dr. Eva Gregory, VHS file

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October 11, 1991

Ms. Myra Munson
Law Offices
Sonosky, Chambers, Sachse, Miller and Munson
229 Fourth Street
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Ms. Munson:

Listed are the names, addresses and telephone numbers of three Health Aides from the Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation who support the Wage and Hour Legislation that would make the Health Aides exempt:

Shirley Nielsen, Kokhanok Bay 99606 Phone #282-2203

Jennie Tunguing, Koliganek 99576 Phone #596-3431

Sirena Alakayak, Togiak 99678 Phone #493-5511

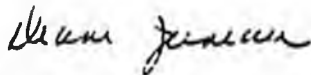
All of the telephone numbers are the village clinic numbers, the health aides should be at the listed number between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

One health aide out of 8 that I spoke with said that she would rather be paid overtime, since she never managed to get her scheduled days off unless she actually left the village, she was:

Sue Arce, Iliamna 99606 Phone #571-1383

Thanks for all of the good work!

Sincerely,



Diane Juneau, CHAP Director
BBAHC

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**Kodiak
Area
Native
Associaticn**



402 Center Avenue
Kodiak, Alaska 99615
Phone (907) 486-5725

October 22, 1991

Myra M. Munson
Law Offices of Sonosky, Sache, Miller & Munson
229 4th. Street
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Ms. Munson,

First, I would like to apologize for not getting you the information you requested earlier. Because of some last minute details I have not been able to get a list of Health Aides together.

The following are CHA/P's from our area that would support the exempt status of CHA's.

- Judy Simeonoff, CHA - Akhiok phone 836-2230
- Valen Reft, CHA - Larsen Bay " 847-2208
- Stella Krumrey, CHP Old Harbor " 286-2205
- Dorothy Pestrikoff, CHA - Old Harbor " 286-2205
- Julie Rowland, CHP - Port Lions " 454-2275
- Sally Hill, CHA - Port Lions " 454-2275

Our other Health Aides probably have a positive attraction to the exempt status but for various reasons would be easily swayed by different proposals. These are their names.

- Mary Reft, CHP - Karluk phone 241-2228
- Joyce Smith, CHP - Ouzinkie " 680-2265
- Love Chichenoff, CHA - Ouzinkie " 680-2265

Since the initial teleconference we have had resignations from Health Aides and currently several positions are vacant.

Again, in closing, I apologize for not having this information to you sooner.

Sincerely,

KODIAK AREA NATIVE ASSOCIATION
Kelly Simeonoff, Jr., President

Harvey H. Baker, RNC ANP
CHAP Instructor/Coordinator

HHB/mr

ATTN - JANA
453-3567 LARSEN

JULIE ROWLAND

H - 454-2414

STELLA KRUMREY

Home - 286-2274

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_{AM} → CLIVE PARK - 2205

1/23/92

Koki -

Here are two more names
from Kotal region.

Thanks -

Myra

Community Health Aide Program

Winnie Reeve
Academic Coordinator, Community Health Aide Program

The Community Health Aide Program is a unique system of health care designed to provide village health care in Alaska's remote villages. The community health aides provide medical care under the supervision of referral physicians in each region of the state. They are taught to do a patient history, physical exam, assessment, and treatment plan using the *Community Health Aide Practitioner (CHAP) Manual*, published by the Alaska Area Native Health Service in 1987.

Community health aides manage the treatment and referral of common medical problems, medevac emergencies to the nearest referral hospital, provide monthly exams for pregnant women, provide well-child exams and immunizations, and follow up with patients with chronic illnesses. Using the *Community Health Aide Practitioner Manual*, they assess and treat patients according to medical standing orders and refer patients on a daily basis to a referral physician over the telephone. CHAP administrators, CHAP field instructors, traveling field physicians, public health nurses, maternal and child health nurses, dentists, eye doctors, and other health care providers create a support system by on-going telephone contact and field trips.

Currently, there are approximately 440 community health aides serving a population of 42,722 Alaska Natives in 171 villages. They are employed by the regional Native corporations and in some cases by independent village contractors, funded by Indian Self-determination Act contracts with the federal government.

Five CHAP training centers provide the basic training courses leading to community health practitioner certification. These training centers are located at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage; the Norton Sound Health Corporation in Nome; the Kuskokwim Campus, College of Rural Alaska in Bethel; the North Pacific Rim Native Corporation in Seward; and the Southeast Alaska Regional Health Corporation in Sitka.

Community health aides attend three training sessions in one of the training centers. Each session is three to five weeks in length. Students practice the knowledge and skills learned during a 200-hour fieldwork experience in a village clinic after each session and complete a two-week preceptorship in a referral hospital or large village clinic. After the completion of community health practitioner certification, the title community health aide changes to community health practitioner.

The Community Health Aide Program is a collaborative program with the College of Rural Alaska of the University of Alaska Fairbanks. It is a multi-agency program including the Alaska Area Native Health Service, the Alaska Department of Health and Human Services, the five CHAP Training Centers, 11 Native corporations, and several independent village contracting agencies. Because the community health aides and practitioners are employed in rural communities, a CHAP academic coordinator is employed to serve the needs of the students, to represent the program within the university, and to coordinate

with the many agencies involved in CHAP training around the state.

Three statewide committees meet to discuss village health care needs, to revise the CHAP curriculum, and to address the concerns of the community health aides and practitioners. These committees are the Association of CHAP Directors, the Academic Review Committee, and the Statewide Community Health Aide Association. Current projects that are underway include the revision of the statewide basic training curriculum, the development of a new emergency care course, a review of the community health practitioner certification process, a revision of the certification examination, and planning for the eighth annual statewide CHAP Program Forum.

The statewide Community Health Aide Program's mission to provide primary health care in Alaska's remote villages is exciting, challenging, and demanding, due to the continual need to teach and certify community health practitioners who can work safely and effectively in their home villages. It is also a challenge to provide the support needed for the students who work in the stressful situation of being a responsible health care provider in a setting that requires that they often care for their own families and friends.

The Alaska community health aides and practitioners are a wonderful loving community of individuals dedicated to serving their own people by stretching human physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual potential to the limit. Their work performance, strength of character, and love for the Alaska Native people can be an inspiration for us all. ▀

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MEMORANDUM

April 30, 1992

TO: Representative David Finkelstein
Chair, House Labor and Commerce Committee

FROM: Senator Arliss Sturgulewski 
Senate District F

I would appreciate your scheduling Senate Bill 427 which places the "Made In Alaska" program in statute.

The "Made in Alaska" program provides an official symbol of recognition for products made in Alaska. The mother bear and cub are already a familiar emblem on a variety of Alaskan-made products. "Made in Alaska" is an informal program administered by the Department of Commerce and Economic Development. Placing the "Made In Alaska" program in statute puts it on an equal footing with the "Silver Hand" program for authentic Alaska Native handicrafts. As a result of passing this legislation, all products made in Alaska could be legally recognized as such. SB 427 addresses penalties for the unauthorized or improper use of either symbol. It allows the department to charge fees for use of the program's symbols and repeals the moribund "Silver State" program.

SB 427 passed the Senate 19-0 on April 29. Please call Richard Rainery of my staff if you have any questions. Thank you.

SB 427: "An Act relating to Products Made in Alaska."

The department strongly supports the passage of this bill. It accomplishes three program objectives:

1. it gets the Made-In-Alaska program into statute;
2. it makes some minor changes in the existing Silver Hand statutes; and
3. it repeals the "Silver State" program which has been inactive since the establishment of the Made-In-Alaska program.

The purpose of both the Silver Hand and the Made-In-Alaska program is twofold:

1. to provide a way to identify Alaska products; and
2. to act as a marketing tool to encourage the purchase of such items, both in-state and for export.

The proposed legislation has been desired by the department for some time and will be a positive step in expanding the promotion of Alaskan products, arts and handicrafts.

At the present time, the Made-In-Alaska program has 1,401 certified logo users for over 4,000 different Alaska made products. The program has enthusiastic producer support and excellent public acceptance. The state support expressed by placing this program in statute will enhance public acceptance and will translate into an increased sales of Alaskan products. Having the program in statute will also afford greater protection against misuse of the logo by increasing the department's enforcement capabilities.

The Silver Hand program has proven an effective marketing tool for ethnic Native Alaskan arts and handicrafts. The changes recommended in the bill are basically housekeeping in nature and reflect present day regulatory climate and market conditions.



Glenn A. Olds, Commissioner *ja*

Date: 2-26-92

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CSSB 427

Revision Date: 4/27/92
Title: An Act relating to Products Made in
Alaska
Sponsor: Sturgulewski/Pearce
Requestor: Senate Finance

Department Affected: Commerce & Econ. Dev.
BRU: Economic Development
Component: _____

COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0
CAPITAL						
REVENUE FUND RESOURCE:						

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER GF Program						
FUND SOURCE: Receipts	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0
TOTAL	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: _____

ANALYSIS (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

SEE ATTACHED

Prepared By: Tom Lawson, Section Chief Phone: 465-2017
Division: Economic Development Date: _____
Approved by Commissioner: Glenn A. Olds *(Signature)*
Agency: Department of Commerce & Economic Development Date: _____

Distribution (by preparer): Leg. Fin., Legislative Sponsor, Requestor, OMB/DBR, Gov. Legis. Ofc., and Impacted Agency(ies).

FISCAL NOTE - SB 427

ANALYSIS:

There are no personal services or travel costs associated with this bill.

Contractual for FY 93:

Printing: \$ 7,500

Cost of printing a one-year supply of tags and stickers:

Silver Hand Tags and Stickers	\$5,000
Made-In-Alaska Stickers	\$2,500

Brochures, Posters, Other Printed Materials: \$ 2,500

Marketing and Advertising: \$10,000

This will consist of advertising to inform the public of the program and to encourage the public to buy Alaskan products. May include print and TV ads, pamphlets, PSAs on radio and TV, etc.

Total for FY 93* \$20,000

*Note: The FY 92 Authorized includes \$5,000 for the Made-In-Alaska and Silver Hand programs. As a result, only \$15,000 is requested in this fiscal note. Permit application fees will generate general fund program receipts.

SJR

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Economic Development

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Affairs Committee

TO: Representative David Finkelstein, Chairman
House Labor & Commerce Committee

FROM: Senator Steve Frank

RE: SJR16 "Relating to the International Trade in Furs."

DATE: April 4, 1991

APR 05 1991

The trapping of fur-bearing animals is both a historic part of Alaskan culture and an important economic activity, extending from interstate trade to international exports. However, the animal rights movement, unfair subsidies granted to Alaska's competitors, and the increase in farmed fur have eroded the position of the U.S. fur trapping industry.

Currently there is a proposal before the European Community that, if approved, would ban all imports of furs from countries that have not prohibited use of the leg hold trap, which would include the United States. This ban would harm Alaska economically, culturally, and ecologically, as any significant decrease in trapping could result in animal overpopulation.

This resolution would urge the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative to consider more strongly the interests of the U.S. fur trapping industry in its negotiations with other nations. It would appear to be both timely and necessary. I would like to request that SJR 16 be scheduled for a hearing in the House Labor & Commerce Committee at your earliest convenience. Thank you for your consideration.

STATE OF ALASKA
1991 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. SJR 16

Revision Date: 2/21/91 Department Affected: Fish and Game
 Title: Relating to the international trade in furs BRU: Wildlife Conservation
 Component: Wildlife Conservation
 Sponsor: Senator Frank
 Requestor: _____ COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
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						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS:

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

Estimate of current year impact: No FY 91 impact

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

Prepared By: McKie Campbell Phone: 465-4100
 Division: Commissioner's Office Date: 2/21/91
 Approved by Commissioner: *Paul Heltzer*
 Agency: Fish and Game Date: 2/22/91

Distribution (by preparer): Legislative Finance, Legislative Sponsor, Requestor, OMB, & Impacted Agency(ies).

FUR TRAPPERS FEEL THE PINCH

Depressed market, glut of farmed pelts squeeze out Alaska traders

By BEAU BARTON

TIMES BUSINESS WRITER

Fairbanks fur buyer Dean Wilson used to load down his turboprop once a month for a trip to the Seward Peninsula, where he bought furs from villagers in the Nome area.

Business was so good that in the early 1980s Wilson employed five traveling fur buyers to help him fan the state.

Those were the good old days.

Klondike Furs is still considered one of the largest of Alaska's 100 or so fur-buying companies, but Wilson no longer flies into the bush looking for pelts. And he long ago laid off all his fur-buyers.

Says Wilson: "The bottom line is you have to buy the product and make a profit."

Both requirements have become increasingly tricky for fur buyers in recent years.

After five years of low fur prices, trapping has fallen out of style in many parts of the state. The reason: Many furs are worth less now than they were 40 years ago, largely because ranchers have glutted the market. The problem is so bad that some fur buyers have stopped buying foxes because there is no market for wild pelts.

"It's a difficult time," says Joe Posser, chairman of the Fur Merchants Association, pointing out that wild swings in fashions have exacerbated the problem. "If Alaska fur, which is largely long hair fur, is out of fashion, then you can't be a trapper anymore."

Retail businesses have been hurt as well, slashing prices and profit margins to stay afloat during the glut. Both the Nordstrom department store chain and the Hudson's Bay Co., a Canadian department store chain, have stopped selling furs in the last year because they no longer consider the business profitable.

Nowhere is the depressed state of affairs more evident than in far Western Alaska, in the villages along the Bering and Chukchi seas which are primarily fox and marten country.

In Kotzebue, where Natives have trapped for centuries, community leaders say they know no one currently running a trap line full time.

One Kotzebue man who used to do so is Ross Schaeffer, a quiet Inupiaq who is president of NANA Regional Corp., one of the regional Native corporations formed

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by the federal government.

Sitting behind his desk in an open-collared shirt, Schaeffer reminisced about his father teaching him to hunt and trap, just as he had been taught by his father.

Schaeffer said he ran a trap line back in the early 1980s, when the price of fur was high and before he was entrenched in the business world. "Now you can't do that anymore," he said.

Fur is still important to the people in Kotzebue, of course. In the spring they hunt bearded seal as their ancestors have for thousands of years. Caribou, muskrat, otter, wolverine and fox are hunted and trapped to provide mukluks, hats and parkas. Schaeffer himself took to the pack ice last year to kill a polar bear, an animal much prized for

its thick fur and rich meat.

But these animals, for the most part, never make it beyond subsistence uses.

In Kotzebue, the Alaska Commercial Co. has stopped buying fur. There is a pelt outlet on the north end of town, in the downstairs living room of Marc Bird. But all of the furs come from out of state, ranch fur bought on the international market.

"The prices are so low for foxes, it's not even worth (trappers') time to trap them," Marc Bird said.

Gus Gillespie, 550 miles away in Anchorage, runs a somewhat larger operation, buying and selling pelts in rural Alaska from his base in the city.

To get those pelts, Gillespie, a big man who earned his living until three years ago as an electrical engineer, flies to fur auctions in Vancouver and Toronto, looking for high-quality pelts.

"I can get all of the fur I need from buying at the auctions," he says.

Many of those furs, like the In-

dligo fox hybrids that sell most four times the price of wild fox, do not come from trappers but from commercial farms where the animals are raised in cages.

In the warehouse behind Lespie's store, a line of skinned wolves hangs from wire. In another room, a killed wolverine swings from its left hind leg, its teeth bare.

While trappers still show up at his shop to unload game from their pickups, this is a dying scene. Wild furs now represent less than 15 percent of the furs on the market, according to industry figures. The number of farmed foxes has doubled in the last 10 years, while the number of mink has increased almost fourfold, to 40 million pelts in 1989.

These pelts, which come from international auctions that set prices, flood the market. Furs from such places as China — a country that did even produce mink five years ago but sold 5 million pelts

year — have torpedoed prices.

"The whole fur industry is down," says Herb Melchior, an industry specialist for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. "There's still a lot of coats sold, but they're sold for less and less. It's going to take a long time to get rid of the raw materials."

Many local retail stores insist they have not been hurt by the growing recession in the fur industry. Jerry Green, a manager at David Green Master Furrier, says "many people have been hurt" but his store is growing.

"It's easier for people to afford parkas," he said, noting that a mink coat cost more to buy in 1950 than today.

There is no doubt, however, that the industry as a whole is feeling pain. At its heyday in 1981, more than \$6 million in raw furs were taken in Alaska; that figure is likely to be less than \$2 million this year, according to figures compiled by the Department of Fish and Game.

No one knows for sure how plummeting fur prices has af-

ected rural Alaska, but Native leaders are worried it is eroding the subsistence way of life and driving young people into the cities to find jobs.

In Fort Yukon, which is still home base for 250 trappers in the Yukon Flats, the Council of Athabaskan Tribal Governments has attempted to stem the damage by forming a marketing cooperative to drive up prices and save trappers money by mailing furs in bulk to fur auctions.

"The trapping industry touched the lives of all the people. If people are not trapping, that is affecting their lives," said Patricia Stanley, manager of the Fort Yukon Fur Co-op. She is hoping to develop a network so that villages will sell furs to each other, like they did for centuries before telephone lines and fax machines connected them to Western markets.

"If we can buy from one another, it means we can circulate our dollars here," she said.

So far, the cooperative seems

to have had some success. Cooperative officials say local fur buyers have raised their prices because of the added competition. The co-op has set up operations in 10 villages.

One of the villages is Nikolai, which sits on the wooded banks of the Kuskokwim River, 50 miles upstream from McGrath.

It has been a bad winter in Nikolai. Temperatures have been high, melting the ice and forcing trappers to not venture out of town on their snow machines.

Ignati Petruska, a mechanic and beaver trapper and fur buyer for the Fort Yukon Fur Co-op, said he expects to make less than \$1,000 this year.

Yet the disastrous winter may not hurt Nikolai's economy as much as one would expect. "Nobody traps full time anymore," Petruska said. "Quite a few trappers, almost everybody, traps part time. It's not like the old days."

ALASKA TRAPPERS ASSOCIATION

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MAR : 1 1991

TO: Senator Steve Frank and Members of the Senate
RE: SJR 16 Relating to International Fur Trade
DATE: March 8, 1991

The Alaska Trappers Association strongly supports the passage of SJR 16. We feel it is important to let our U.S. Senators, Representative, Secretary of the U.S. Department of Commerce and the U.S. Trade Representative, know the State of Alaska supports the Trapping Industry.

The A.T.A. believes that the right to earn a living as a trapper, or in any fur related industry, should be protected, supported and regulated by the State of Alaska, and not the European community. We feel that some members of the European community have been misguided and misled, by special interest groups, without any knowledge of how carefully we manage our wildlife resources.

We feel the proposed ban of the leg-hold traps is only a step, by special interest groups, in the direction to ultimately eliminate the fur industry entirely; without regard to the economic, social and cultural impact to those involved in the fur/trapping industry, if these markets are closed to us.

Sincerely,



Norm Phillips
President of the Alaska Trappers Association

National Trappers Association, Inc.

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Senator Frank
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MAR 13 1991

Dear Senator Frank:

It has recently been brought to my attention that you sponsored Joint Resolution NO. 16 in the Alaska Legislature. I would like to express the sincere gratitude and appreciation of the members of the National Trappers Association.

The NTA has taken a lead role in efforts to defeat the proposal in the European Parliament that would ban the import of certain furs from countries that allow the use of the leghold trap. We are working closely with the U.S. Trade Representatives office and the Canadian government, as well as an European group of sportsmen organizations. I am extremely embarrassed to have to inform you that as of late little is being done by our Trade Representative.

The NTA has held a number of meetings with Carla Hills' staff and for a while it seemed they were working on our problem. Unfortunately, little has been done since late November - early December on the issue. During a meeting in late November between Bennett Harmon, Hills' staffer, two representatives of the Canadian government and myself in New York City it was agreed that both governments would obtain information on the use and regulation of trapping and predator control in the 12 member states of the Community. The Canadians have provided us with preliminary information but several calls to Mr. Harmon's office has shown no progress at all on our governments part.

I do hope your Resolution is passed at an early date as it could refocus attention to this issue. I congratulate you on your foresight and certainly wish you success in this endeavor. If there is anything that I or the NTA can do to assist you in your efforts please let me know. Again, thank you from all the native and non-native trappers that rely on trapping. If I can be of help to you on this or any other matter please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "Scott Harmon".

Scott Harmon
President

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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

Date Referred: March 11, 1992

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: 5/5/92

The LABOR AND COMMERCE Committee considered:

CSSJR 41(RLS)

CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 41(RLS) PROMOTING SPORTS TRAINING FACILITIES

Relating to the use of Alaska facilities for year-round training for national and international sports teams.

RECOMMENDATIONS: [] the same title
be replaced with [] a new title

[] have attached amendments(s)

[] do pass

[] do not pass

[] no recommendations

[X] individual recommendations

[] additional referral to the _____ Committee

ADOPTS: _____ letter of Intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S): (Dept) _____

APPROVES PREVIOUS: (Dept/Date) _____

[] fiscal impact _____

[X] fiscal note(s) _____

[] zero fiscal note _____

[X] zero fiscal note(s) DCED 3/11/92

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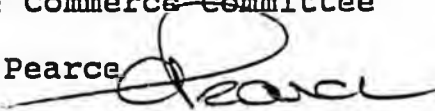


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Senator Drue Pearce
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative David Finkelstein, Chair
House Labor & Commerce Committee

FROM: Senator Drue Pearce 

DATE: March 12, 1992

RE: House CS for CS for Senate Joint Resolution No. 41
(ITT), relating to the use of Alaska facilities for
year-round training for national and international
sports teams.

Please consider scheduling SJR 41 for a hearing as soon as possible.

The Alaska Legislature created the Alaska Amateur Sports Authority to promote and develop amateur sports, including training facilities.

Pursuant to that charge, the Authority is developing the Alaska Sports Training and Education Center in conjunction with the Eagle Glacier Nordic Training Center, Kincaid Park, Hatcher Pass facilities, Birch Hill Park, Alaska Pacific University, and the University of Alaska.

The purpose of this Resolution is to formally invite state, national and international sports teams to Alaska to make use of its year-round training and educational opportunities and to encourage both public and private entities to help attract sports teams to Alaska for training and competition. The Resolution has a zero fiscal note.

The state would receive both economic and social benefits from hosting team training and national and international sports competitions.

If you have any questions, please call me or my aide, Janice White.

HOUSE CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 41 (ITT)

RELATING TO THE USE OF ALASKAN FACILITIES FOR
YEAR-ROUND TRAINING FOR NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SPORTS TEAMS.

IN 1989 THE ALASKA LEGISLATURE CREATED THE ALASKA AMATEUR
SPORTS AUTHORITY TO PROMOTE AND DEVELOP AMATEUR SPORTS, INCLUDING
TRAINING FACILITIES.

PURSUANT TO THAT CHARGE, THE AUTHORITY IS DEVELOPING THE
ALASKA SPORTS TRAINING AND EDUCATION CENTER IN CONJUNCTION WITH
THE EAGLE GLACIER NORDIC TRAINING CENTER, KINCAID PARK, HATCHER
PASS FACILITIES, BIRCH HILL PARK, ALASKA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, AND
THE UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS RESOLUTION IS TO FORMALLY INVITE STATE,
NATIONAL, AND INTERNATIONAL SPORTS TEAMS TO ALASKA TO MAKE USE OF
ITS YEAR-ROUND TRAINING AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AND TO
ENCOURAGE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ENTITIES TO HELP ATTRACT SPORTS
TEAMS TO ALASKA FOR TRAINING AND COMPETITION.

THE STATE WOULD RECEIVE BOTH ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL BENEFITS
FROM HOSTING TEAM TRAINING AND NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SPORTS
COMPETITIONS.

THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SUPPORTS
THE RESOLUTION'S INVITATION. THE RESOLUTION HAS A ZERO FISCAL
NOTE.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. _____

Revision Date: _____

Department Affected: Commerce & Econ. Dev.

Title: Senate Joint Resolution No. 41

BRU: Alaska Amateur Sports Authority

Component: _____

Sponsor: Senators Pearce, Sturqulewski, Collins

Requestor: _____

COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
REVENUE FUND RESOURCE:	0	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
FUND SOURCE:						
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS:

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

Estimate of current year impact: _____

ANALYSIS (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

Prepared By: Steve Busch, Executive Director Phone: 258-9580

Division: Alaska Amateur Sports Authority Date: 1/31/92

Approved by Commissioner: Glenn A. Olds *[Signature]* Gov. Econ.

Agency: Department of Commerce & Economic Development Date: 2-3-92

Distribution (by preparer): Leg. Fin., Legislative Sponsor, Requestor, OMB/DBR, Gov. Legis. Ofc., and Impacted Agency(ies).

STATE OF ALASKA
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BILL NO. HCSCSSJR 41 (ITT)

Revision Date: _____ Department Affected: DCED
 Title: SJR 41 (year-round training facilities for sports teams) BRU: Alaska Amateur Sports Authority
 Component: _____
 Sponsor: Sen. Pearce
 Requestor: _____ COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL						
REVENUE FUND SOURCE:						

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER FUND SOURCE:						
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: _____

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

Prepared By: Representative Tom Moyer, Chair Phone: 465-4930
 Division: House ITT Committee Date: March 10, 1992
 Approved by Commissioner: *Tom Moyer*
 Agency: _____ Date: _____

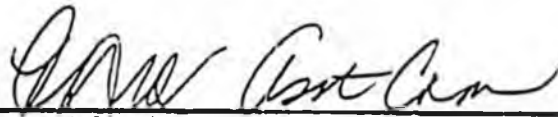
Senate Joint Resolution No. 41

SJR 41 relates to the use of Alaskan sports facilities for year-round training and education by national and international sports teams.

SJR 41 specifically invites national and international winter sports governing bodies to Alaska which would provide positive social and health effects on Alaskan residents as well as provide economic benefits by hosting training events and ultimately more national and international competitions

The concept of a year-round Alaska Sports Training and Education Center is part of the department's overall strategic plan.

The department supports the resolution's invitation.



Glenn A. Olds, Commissioner

Date: 2-3-92

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS (Senate)

SB 380 (cont'd)

The department will contract or otherwise arrange for the minting of the medallions from .999 fine silver in a weight determined by the adjutant general. The design for the medallion will be determined in a competition conducted by the department from among Alaska residents. The department will award \$1,000 to the winner.

If enacted the bill becomes law the day after it is signed by the Governor.

Introduced January 31, 1992 and referred to the State Affairs Committee, and to the Finance Committee.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS (Senate)

Use of Alaska Sports Training Facilities (national & intern. teams)

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 41, by Sens. PEARCE, Sturgulewski, Collins. Invites the U.S. Biathlon team, the U.S. cross-country team, the U.S. junior development teams, and other state, national, and international sports governing bodies to send individuals and teams to Alaska to make use of its year-round training and educational opportunities. Requests the Governor to encourage the Governor/s Office, Dept. of Commerce and Economic Development, Dept. of Natural Resources, Dept. of Education, Alaska Amateur Sports Authority, state amateur sports organizations, and other public and private entities to review their options for attracting national and international sports teams to Alaska for training and competition development.

Says the state has a number of excellent facilities for year-round use, has created the Alaska Amateur Sports Authority in 1989 to promote and develop amateur sports, and would benefit economically from hosting team training and national and international sports competitions associated with team training.

Introduced January 27, 1992 and referred to State Affairs Committee.

Retaining Current Level of Military at Fort Richardson (support for)

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 42, by Sens. HALFORD, Cotten. Urges the President, Congress, and the U.S. Army to maintain at least the current level of military presence at Fort Richardson in Alaska.

Says that the military provides \$250,000,000 a year in income to the economy of the Anchorage area, and that military families "are vital to the social fabric of the surrounding area" of the fort. Says Alaska is still a strategic location in defense of the United States.

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