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April 4, 1991

Honorable Senator Jim Duncan
P.O. Box 5
Juneau, Ak. 99802

Dear Senator Duncan:

I SUPPORT Senate Bill #131 as amended in the Senate Finance Committee on March 28, 1991 and passed on Senate Floor April 3rd.

Thank you for all your time and effort in addressing our newspapers concern in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeffrey A. Wilson'. The signature is stylized with a large initial 'J' and a long horizontal stroke.

Jeffrey A. Wilson

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House State Affairs Committee

Representative Gene Kubina, Chair

SUBJECT OF MEETING:
 SB 131 - Relating to Notice of Elections/
 Meetings/Regulations

DATE: April 19, 1991

PLACE: Capitol, Room 102

NAME	REPRESENTING	BUSINESS/PERSONAL MAILING ADDRESS	ZIP	(H) PHONE	(W) PHONE	DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY?		WHAT SUBJECT/ WHICH BILL?
Ernie Polley	AK Comm. Broadcaster	634 W. 12th	99501		586 - 1437	Y	N	SB 131 - Will testify if needed
PETE CARPAN	SEN. DUNCAN	P.O. Box U	99811		465-4766	Y	N	SB 131
						Y	N	
						Y	N	
						Y	N	
						Y	N	
						Y	N	
						Y	N	
						Y	N	
						Y	N	

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House State Affairs Committee

Representative Gene Kubina, Chair

DATE: April 19, 1991

PLACE: Capitol, Room 102

SUBJECT OF MEETING:
 SB 136 - Relating to Alcan Highway Commemorative License Plate
 SJR 9 - Relating to Federal Grant for State Veterans; Home
 SB 237 - Relating to State Leasing of New Buildings

NAME	REPRESENTING	BUSINESS/PERSONAL MAILING ADDRESS	ZIP	(H) PHONE	(W) PHONE	DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY?		WHAT SUBJECT/ WHICH BILL?
Dave Stancliff	SENATOR SHULTZ				4940	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	N	SB-136
G. HORETSKI	DPS	BOX N, JUN.			4322	Y	N	IF Q'S SB 136
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						Y	N	
						Y	N	
						Y	N	
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						Y	N	



House State Affairs Committee

Representative Gene Kubina, Chair

SUBJECT OF MEETING:

DATE:

PLACE:

NAME	REPRESENTING	BUSINESS/PERSONAL MAILING ADDRESS	ZIP	(H) PHONE	(W) PHONE	DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY?		WHAT SUBJECT/ WHICH BILL?
Bob Link	DOR	Box C	99811-0210		465-2250	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	N	HS 237
Sharon Macklin	AK Prof. Design Council	315 ST # 8 Tuck	99801		586-9518	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	N	"
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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CSSB 135 (Rules)

Revision Date: _____
 Title: State personnel system and membership of PERS Board.

Department Affected: Administration
 BRU: Personnel/OEEO
 Component: Personnel/OEEO

Sponsor: Duncan
 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	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7

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

GENERAL FUND	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER FUND SOURCE:						
TOTAL						

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: 0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.) The added costs are for two additional members on the Personnel Board. We assume four meetings of the board per year and that the new members will have to travel for the meetings.

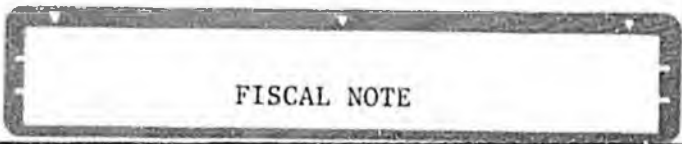
Prepared by: R. H. King *Richard P. King*
 Division: Personnel/OEEO

Phone: 465-4430
 Date: _____

Approved by Commissioner: Nancy Bear Usery *NBU*
 Agency: Administration

Date: 4/3/92

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CSSB 135 (RULES) SECTIONAL ANALYSIS

Section 1

Amends AS 39.25.040 by changing the qualifications for the Director by requiring five years of professional personnel management experience rather than three years of practical personnel management experience.

Section 2

Amends AS 39.25.060(a) by increasing the membership of the Personnel Board from three to five. New language requires at least one member to represent minority groups and another to represent rural Alaskans. Board members are required to support merit principles of employment and possess a demonstrated interest in public administration.

Section 3

Amends AS 39.25.060(b) by specifying that not more than three members of the Personnel Board may be members of the same political party. This amendment is necessary to reflect increased board membership proposed by this legislation.

Section 4

Two amendments are made to AS 39.25.070 in this section to reflect increased board membership. Paragraph four requires three members to constitute a quorum and three affirmative votes for final action on matters coming before the board.

Section 5

This section amends AS 39.25.140(g) and requires the Personnel Board to conduct public hearings if requested on proposed amendments to the Personnel Rules. The amendment allows participation in person, by telephone, or teleconference.

Section 6

Amends AS 39.35.030(b) by addressing membership on the Public Employees Retirement System Board. It provides for selection of three Personnel Board members by the board chair to serve on the PERS board.

Section 7

Sets the initial terms of the two additional members of the Personnel Board.

Section 8

Provides for an effective date of January 1, 1993

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. SB 135

Revision Date: January 16, 1992
Title: State personnel system and membership of PERS Board
Sponsor: Duncan
Requestor: Senate Rules

Department Affected: Administration
BRU: Personnel/OEEO
Component: Personnel/OEEO

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	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
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LAND & STRUCTURES						
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CAPITAL						
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	3.3	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.7
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER FUND SOURCE:						
TOTAL						

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: 0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.) This revised fiscal note assumes the effective date will be changed to January 1, 1992, or mid way through FY 93. The added costs are for two additional members on the Personnel Board. We assume four meetings of the Board per year and that the new members will have to travel for the meetings.

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Division: Personnel/OEEO

Phone: 465-4430
Date: 1-17-92

Approved by Commissioner: Nancy Bear Usera *NBU*
Agency: Administration

Date: 1/21/92

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FISCAL NOTE FOR US SB 135 (RULES)



Alaska State Legislature

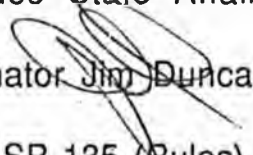
SENATOR JIM DUNCAN

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ETHICS REFORM

To: Representative Gene Kubina
Chair
House State Affairs Committee

From:  Senator Jim Duncan

Subject: CS SB 135 (Rules)

Date: January 30, 1992

I would appreciate the earliest possible hearing for Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 135 (Rules).

The legislation makes several amendments to AS 39.

The bill expands representation on the Personnel Board. The board is increased from three to five members and responds to concerns raised in the past by minority and rural groups by stipulating that at least one member of these groups be represented on the board. The bill requires board members to support and possess a demonstrated interest in the application of merit principles to public employment.

Other changes proposed in SB 135 include:

-Increasing the qualifications for the Director from three years of practical personnel management experience to five years of professional experience.

-Requiring statewide public participation if a hearing on proposed changes to the Personnel Rules is requested.

-Calling for the Personnel Board Chair to select three members to serve on the Public Employees Retirement Board. Currently, the entire board and two members elected by participants in the system comprise the board. This amendment provides for continued balance on the Public Employees Retirement Board.

SB 135 calls for an effective date of January 1, 1993.

Article XII, Section 6 of the Alaska Constitution provides the Legislature with the responsibility of establishing a merit system of employment. These proposed changes will strengthen the recruitment and selection process for state classified positions. The State Senate agreed with a unanimous vote in favor of the bill.

Attached is a fiscal note from the Department of Administration. The department has not issued a position paper, but did not oppose the measure in testimony before the Senate Rules Committee. I have also attached a sectional analysis.

Your consideration of my request is appreciated.

Attachments:

Senate passes Personnel Board plan

Legislation expands membership to 5; requires minority representation

The Associated Press

JUNEAU — The Senate approved a plan Wednesday to expand the state Personnel Board and require it to have at least one minority and one member from rural Alaska.

In other recent action, the House approved and sent to the Senate legislation affecting pharmacists and dentists.

The Personnel Board bill would increase the number of board members from three to five. No more than three members could be from the same political party.

The proposal also would increase the minimum qualifications for the director of

the Personnel Division to five years of professional personnel management experience. State law has required three years of "practical" personnel experience. Sen. Jim Duncan, D-Juneau and the bill's primary sponsor, said the changes will strengthen the recruitment and selection process for state civil service jobs.

The bill also would require the board to conduct statewide hearings on proposed changes in personnel rules. Such hearings have been optional.

The board sets state personnel rules, including hiring procedures. It also investigates and issues decisions on violations of the state

code of ethics, and hears appeals by union employees.

Senate Bill 135 was passed without opposition and sent to the House.

A bill that would allow foreign-educated pharmacists to be licensed to practice in Alaska was passed without opposition Monday by the House.

The measure also would require licensed pharmacists to have graduated from a college accredited by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education, rather than the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, which essentially is a service group.

House Bill 31, sponsored

by Rep. Niilo Koponen, D-Fairbanks, was referred to the Senate.

The House also passed legislation aimed at making it easier for former federal government dentists and those who move here from another state to be licensed in Alaska. The bill addresses a longstanding legal dispute between the state Dental Examiners Board and 23 dentists.

A state Superior Court judge ruled last year that the board must begin licensing dentists by credentials, rather than requiring those already licensed elsewhere to retake a competency test in Alaska.



House State Affairs Committee

Representative Gene Kubina, Chair

DATE: April 6, 1992

PLACE: Capitol Room 102

SUBJECT OF MEETING:

- *HB 421-Relating to Disclosure by Certain Fiscal Officers
- HB 460-Relating to Advisory Vote/Statewide Health Care
- *HB 569-Relating to Longevity Bonus Program Regulations
- HJR 63-Relating to Support Military at Fort Richardson
- SB 135-Relating to Personnel Board/Personnel Officers
- SR 409-Relating to Search and Rescue Expenses

NAME	REPRESENTING	BUSINESS/PERSONAL MAILING ADDRESS	ZIP	(H) PHONE	(W) PHONE	DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY?	WHAT SUBJECT/ WHICH BILL?
Barbara Bitney	Sen. Craft	State Capitol - RM. 125	99801		465-3834	(Y) N	HB 569
Rod MOURANT	REVENUE				465-2300	(Y) N	HB 421
MARY LOU MEINERS	AARP	805 Hoed. Belt	99801		586-2568	(N) (N)	HB 569
Mike McMullen	DOA	Box 110201 Juneau, AK	99811		465-4450	(Y) N	SB 135
DENNY DEWITT	Div. of Pioneers' Benefit	Box 110211 Juneau AK	99811		465-4440	Y N	HB 569
Gordon Evans	HIAA/SELF	318 4th St.	99801		586-3210	(Y) N	HB 460
Randy Walker	Leg. Audit	PO Box W	99811		382-30	(Y) N	HB 569
Joe ALTER	AARP	Box 20304	99802		586-6680	Y N	HB 569
Honda-Rao						Y N	
						Y N	
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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)

Date Referred: March 26, 1991

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: 4-19-91

The STATE AFFAIRS Committee considered:

CSSB 136(STA)

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 136 (STATE AFFAIRS)

ALCAN HWY. COMMEMORATIVE LICENSE PLATE

"An Act relating to display of Alaska Highway commemorative registration plates; and providing for an effective date."

- RECOMMENDATIONS: the same title
 be replaced with _____ 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) Senate STA 3-1-91

SIGNING DO PASS	DP	OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS	DNP	NR	AM
<i>Gene Kubera</i>					
<i>Tom Meyer</i>	✓				
<i>David Rogala</i>					
<i>E. Smith</i>					
<i>Mike Miller</i>	✓				
<i>Max Stuenkel</i>					

Gene Kubera
CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE

FISCAL NOTE

No. 1

Bill Version: SB 136

(S) Publish Date: 3/1/91

STATE OF ALASKA
1991 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Revision Date: _____ Department Affected: Public Safety
 Title: Alaska Highway Commemorative BRU: Motor Vehicles
Registration Plates Component: _____

Sponsor: Shultz
 Requestor: Sen. State Affairs 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					

CAPITAL	0					
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REVENUE	0					
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	0					

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: NA

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

Changes in CSSB 136 (STA) have no fiscal impact. This fiscal note is appropriate.

3-1-91 date Mar. G. Jnr Comte Aide (initial)

Prepared By: Senate State Affairs Committee Phone: 465-4522
 Division: Alaska Legislature Date: 2-27-91

Approved by Senator Pat Rodey
 Agency: Chair, Senate State Affairs Committee Date: 2-27-91

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

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

3-26-91

(7)
Date Referred: March 15, 1991
Date of Committee Action: 3/25/91

FURTHER REFERRALS:

State Affairs

The HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND TOURISM Committee considered: CSSB 136(STA)

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 136 (STATE AFFAIRS)
ALCAN HWY. COMMEMORATIVE LICENSE PLATE

"An Act relating to display of Alaska Highway commemorative registration plates; and providing for an effective date."

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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) (SENATE STATE AFFAIRS Public Safety) 3-1-91

SIGNING DO PASS	DP	OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS	DNP	NR	AM
Tom Moyer moyer	✓				
David Choquette choquette	✓				
Mark Handley handley	✓				
Beth Davis DAVIS	✓				
John Ellis Ellis	✓				

Tom Moyer moyer
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Senate
District J

MEMORANDUM

District 17

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ANDERSON
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BOUNDARY
CANTWELL
CHICKEN
CHISTOCHINA
CLEAR
COPPER CENTER
DELTA JUNCTION
DENALI PARK
DOT LAKE
DRY CREEK
EAGLE
EAGLE VILLAGE
GAKONA
GLENNALLEN
GULKANA
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HEALY LAKE
KENNY LAKE
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TO: MEMBERS OF HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS
FROM: SENATOR DICK SHULTZ *DS*
DATE: APRIL 19, 1991
RE: SB 136

I appreciate very much the time you are taking to consider this legislation. Initially it was my hope the Administration could amend their regulations to accommodate this promotional effort. Unfortunately, the statutes allowed no latitude for such action therefore I introduced the bill before you today.

The projections on visitor increases as a result of Project 92 are very encouraging. Alaska must get up to speed to match what the Canadians are doing or drivers of the highway will be disappointed when they reach our state.

It is my hope the display of these commemorative plates will help to generate the interest needed to come up to speed in this year long celebration. Your support for this small measure is sincerely appreciated.

District 18

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TO: ALL SENATORS
FROM: SENATOR DICK SHULTZ
DATE: FEBRUARY 19, 1991
RE: 1992 COMMEMORATIVE REGISTRATION PLATES

I am introducing legislation to allow Alaskan motorists to display "1992" commemorative registration plates on the front of their vehicles. Unfortunately, even though supportive, the Commissioner of Public Safety does not have the statutory authority to allow anything but the standard registration plates to be displayed.

The Yukon Territories are allowing the "92 celebration" plates to be used and they are most impressive. It is proving to be a very efficient, and cost effective method of promotion.

The bill will allow a one time exception through the end of 1992 at which time standard plates will once again be required. It is important to also note this waiver does not authorize removal of standard plates for any reason other than the display of the "1992" plates.

Your support for this 1992 celebration event is greatly appreciated.

District 18

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November 13, 1990

Governor Steve Cowper
Governor's Office
P.O. Box A
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Governor Cowper:

The State of Alaska is being given an exciting opportunity to participate in Alaska Highway Rendezvous '92 and possibly save money! Isn't that a switch!

A commemorative license plate is being produced by the Rendezvous '92 International Joint Committee and will be available for purchase in November, 1990. A photo copy of the license plate is enclosed. This is the IJC's first attempt at private fundraising. We already have orders for over 300 plates at \$10.00 each.

As you know, some states are currently using only one license plate. Yukon Territory has received permission to use one plate and British Columbia is investigating the idea. Is it possible Alaska could do the same? If this were possible, could the Great Alaska Highways Society provide an order form to include with the registration forms that are mailed out by the Department of Motor Vehicles?

What a great way for us to make it possible for large numbers of Alaskans to participate in the celebration at a small cost! At the same time Alaska would only have to produce one-half the usual number of license plates!

I hope this idea is appealing to you. I would be happy to discuss it with you or your staff. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely:

Susan C. Kemp
Executive Director

Enclosure

BILL NO: HCSCSSB 136(SA)

DATE: 4/19/91

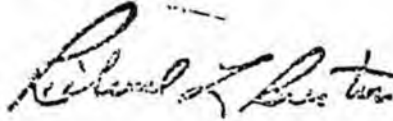
TITLE: "An Act relating to display
of Alaska Highway commemorative
registration plates. . ."

CONTACT: Gayle A. Horetski
Deputy Commissioner
465-4322

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC SAFETY

HCSCSSB 136(SA) would amend existing law to allow the display, until January 1, 1993, of an Alaska Highway 50-year commemorative registration plate in place of a numbered state registration plate on the front of a motor vehicle. The new CS also contains a "repealer" section, which removes the new statute from the books after the 50th anniversary celebration is over.

The Department of Public Safety supports this bill.

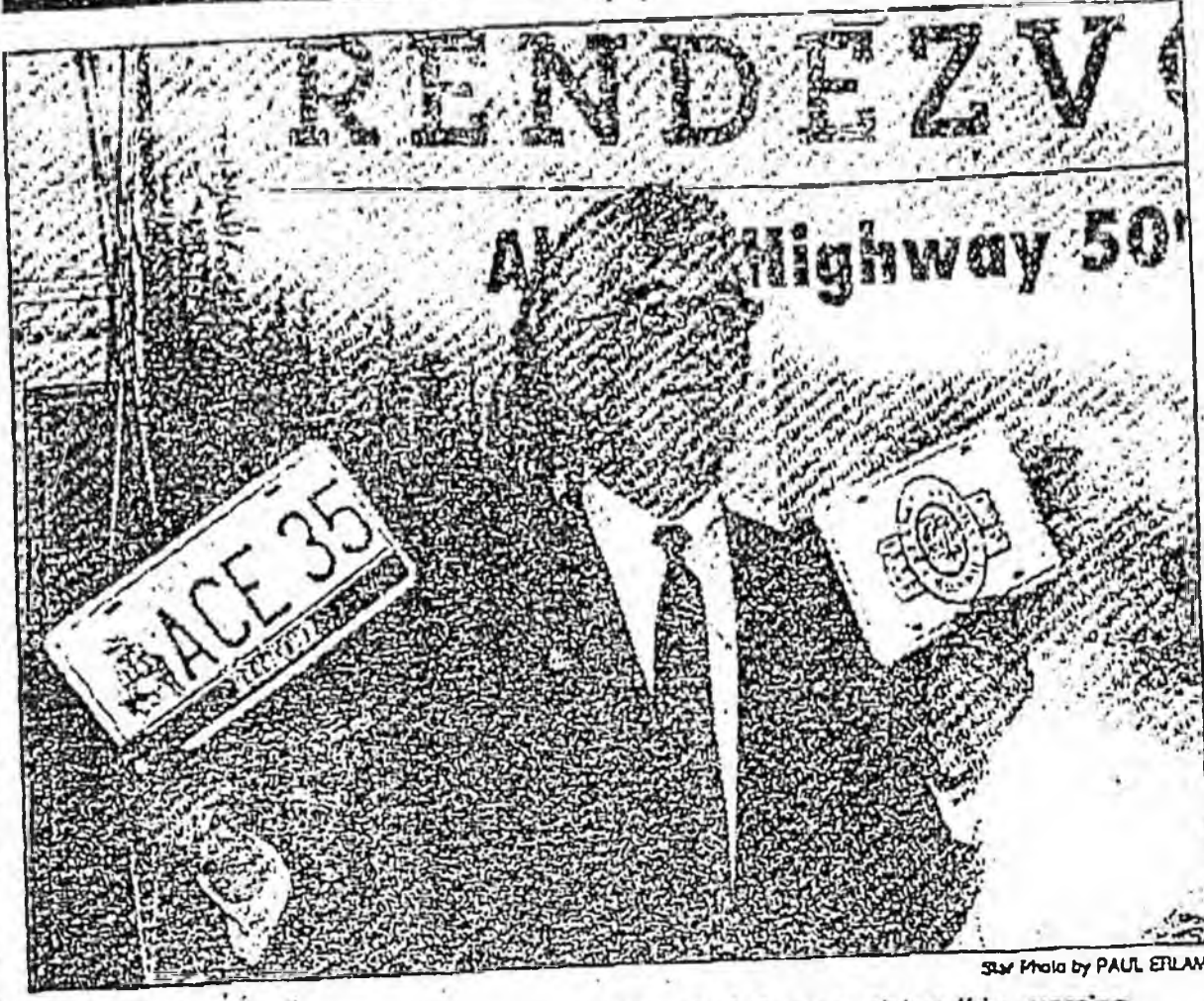


Richard L. Burton
Commissioner

FOR THE DIRECTOR

2 The Whitehorse STAR, Tuesday, November 6, 1990

THE YUKON



Commissioner Ken McKinnon holds the dual licence plates this morning.



The Yukon Anniversaries Commission
and the
Ministry of Community and Transportation Services
invite you to attend the

OFFICIAL UNVEILING

of the

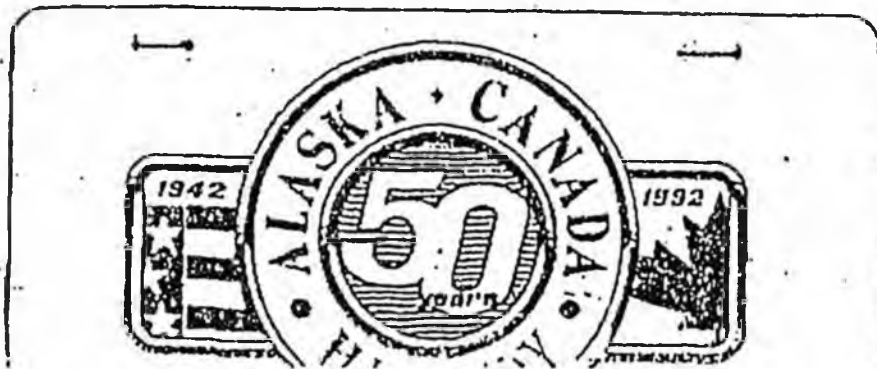
ALASKA HIGHWAY RENDEZVOUS '92 LICENCE PLATE

and the

NEW YUKON TERRITORY LICENCE PLATE

Join us on

Tuesday, November 6th, 1990





Gold Rush Inn (Town Hall)

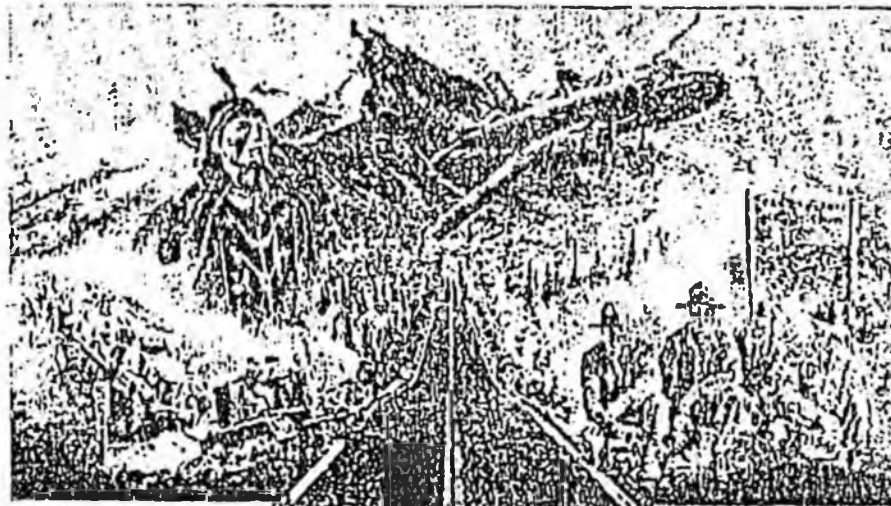
At 9:00 a.m.

The Yukon Anniversaries Commission will introduce
the new commemorative licence plate
for the Alaska Highway's 50th anniversary in 1992.

Our new Rendezvous '92
licence plates will be on
sale for \$10⁰⁰ each.

Our international award-
winning Rendezvous '92
poster is now available at
\$5⁰⁰ each.

The new Yukon Territory licence plate
will go on sale Wednesday, November
7th at the Motor Vehicles Branch.



RENDEZVOUS '92

Special guests include
Canadian aviation pioneer
O.B. Philp,
founder of the
Canadian Snowbirds
aerobatic team, who will
discuss plans for a
major international air
show at Whitehorse in July
of 1992.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME. PLEASE JOIN US!

BEFORE YOU COME UP AND SEE US.

A word about weather and roads.

When's the best time to come to Alaska Highway Rendezvous '92? Most visitors, coming to the North by highway, travel between the months of May and September, when the days are long, the flowers are in full bloom, and all visitor services and attractions are open. You'll have to decide for yourself whether high season or our quiet winter months best suit your traveling style. It's about 2,300 miles from Seattle to Fairbanks. An unhurried drive up the "dream come true" Alaska Highway takes, on average, about 7 days. But, be sure to add several days for sightseeing and exploring along the way.



Rendezvous '92 won't be the same without you.

Come and share our happiness, our spirit, our pride, our culture, our sense of accomplishment. Come and be part of our celebration, our commemoration, our camaraderie. Come and see the North in living color. Let us spoil you with our hospitality; surround you with our history, captivate you with our heritage.

There's a party going on along the
Rendezvous Road.
Come on Up!

*"Follow your heart where the dreams are free,
Where eagles dare to fly,
Where treasure's where you find it,
Where lights dance across northern skies,
There's a Spirit in these northern lands,
It rings out clear and true,
It calls you to follow the open road,
To the Trail of '42."*

From "Rendezvous Road"
Official Theme Song of Alaska Highway
Rendezvous '92.

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There's a party going on along the Rendezvous Road.

Come on up!

EVEN THOUGH IT'S OUR BIRTHDAY, WE WISH YOU MANY HAPPY RETURNS.

This story begins with
a bang.

Until World War II, there was no direct land route from the lower United States to the Yukon or Alaska.

The Japanese bombings of Pearl Harbor and later Dutch Harbor changed all that.

The Alaska Territory suddenly gained important status as a strategic military outpost.



As a result, the Alaska Highway was built by American troops and equipment. Canada supplied the right of way and materials. Native Indians, trappers and prospectors were hired to assist the U.S. Army surveyors.

Construction began on March 9, 1942.



It took guts and tractors.

Hardship and heroism built the Highway. Machinery snapped, ice jams rammed pilings, overflowing streams ripped out bridges, bottomless muskeg swallowed trucks and bulldozers. At the peak of construction, 11,500 troops, 7,500 civilians and 11,000 pieces of equipment worked on the road. Crews battled the elements and geography, overcoming nearly insurmountable logistical problems.



Wake up, sleepy heads!

A month after construction began, the sleepy villages of Dawson Creek, Watson Lake, Whitehorse and others, woke up to occupying armies of military engineers. Their small populations mushroomed to the thousands by the end of 1942, changing the lifestyles of natives and others, forever.

November 20, 1942.
Brrrrring on the trucks!

Crews finally met at Contact Creek, British Columbia, and at Beaver Creek in the Yukon, in the winter of 1942, completing the single pioneer lane. Official opening ceremonies were held at Soldiers' Summit (Mile 1,061) in one of the worst winters in history, 8 months from the beginning of construction.

There was a crooked mile.

Stories abound why the original highway was so crooked. It went wherever a bulldozer could go...around muskeg, curving as a defense, following the path of a rutting moose. The early roughness earned it the reputation as a "junkyard for American cars". But what adventure, what excitement lay along its crooked miles!

Hurray for the PRA!

In early 1943, it fell to the Public Roads Administration to undertake the reconstruction that would turn the Alaska Highway into a year round, all weather road. Over the next 7 years, five major contractors overseeing 70 private companies worked to bring the road "up to snuff". In 1949, the Highway was re-opened to full-time civilian traffic—with noticeable improvements!



COME BACK, COME BACK! EVEN IF YOU'VE NEVER BEEN HERE BEFORE.

Rendezvous '92. Another historic occasion.

The construction of the Alaska Highway was one of the greatest engineering feats of this century. A great coming together in a common endeavor. To commemorate and celebrate the Highway's 50th year, Alaska, British Columbia and the Yukon are "coming together", hosting a reunion, throwing a party called Alaska Highway Rendezvous '92.

It will shine a spotlight on the North and invite the world to discover (or rediscover) the Super Natural, Magic & Mystery of this Great Land.



Once you're here,
we'll take you back.

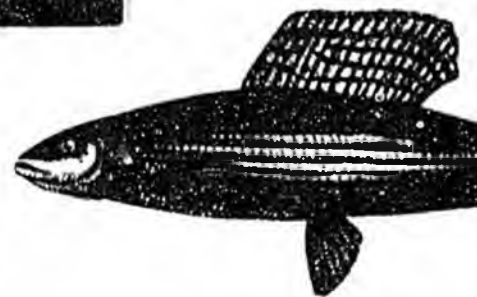
Not only will the events at Alaska Highway Rendezvous '92 be fun and exciting, they'll be historic. We're planning a Road Rally of vintage vehicles from the World War II period retracing the tortuous supply route.

They'll roll on wheels and tracks, through mountain ranges, across valleys, canyons and rivers. The past will be very much present.

Party, party, party

When we throw a party up North, we do it in a big way. This one will last 1,620 miles!

All year long, all along the road, special community events, programs, shows and displays will honor this vital link. Don't be surprised to see



fireworks, music festivals, rodeos, gold panning, stage shows, native Indian cultural events, maybe even a USO Troop Show or two, on the road again, saying "thanks for the memories".

Sometimes, we'll stand on ceremony

Naturally, we'll have our share of pomp and ceremony. It wouldn't be an official occasion without lots of official occasions. We'll open Alaska Highway Rendezvous '92 with all the color and flagwaving we can muster.

Not to mention a healthy abundance of dignitaries.

And of course, November 20th will commemorate that cold winter's day at Soldiers' Summit 50 years ago when the single pioneer lane of the Highway was completed.

It's a bird, it's a plane!

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers chose the Prairie Route for the Highway because it connected the chain of airbases known as the "Northwest Staging Route". During World War II, American pilots used these airfields to ferry some 8,000 aircraft north from Montana to Fairbanks.



Alaska, where they were picked up by Russian crews for flights to the Siberian Front. In 1992 an International "Airmada" will re-enact this famous route with vintage and modern aircraft. The sky's the limit!

A Rendezvous with Nature.

Today, along the Alaska Highway, travelers find a modern Northern thoroughway with hospitable towns, visitor services, places of historical interest, rest stops, campsites, accommodations and amenities. It's a picture postcard of spectacular scenery, a mosaic of people, a treasury of adventures, a place to rendezvous with Mother Nature.



No RSVP required.

We hope you'll consider this your invitation to Alaska Highway Rendezvous '92. We're kind of informal in the North, so... Come as you are. Do as you please, stay as long as you want. This is a party where everyone's welcome. The more, the merrier.





House State Affairs Committee

Representative Gene Kubina, Chair

DATE: April 19, 1991

PLACE: Capitol, Room 102

SUBJECT OF MEETING:

SB 136 - Relating to Alcan Highway Commemorative License Plate
 SJR 9 - Relating to Federal Grant for State Veterans; Home
 SB 237 - Relating to State Leasing of New Buildings

NAME	REPRESENTING	BUSINESS/PERSONAL MAILING ADDRESS	ZIP	(H) PHONE	(W) PHONE	DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY?	WHAT SUBJECT/ WHICH BILL?
Dave Stacliff	SENATOR SHULTZ				4940	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	SB-136
G. HORETSKI	DPS	BOX N, JUN.			4322	<input type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	IF Q'S ^{SB} 136
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House State Affairs Committee

Representative Gene Kubina, Chair

DATE: April 19, 1991

PLACE: Capitol, Room 102

SUBJECT OF MEETING:
 SB 131 - Relating to Notice of Elections/
 Meetings/Regulations

NAME	REPRESENTING	BUSINESS/PERSONAL MAILING ADDRESS	ZIP	(H) PHONE	(W) PHONE	DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY?		WHAT SUBJECT/ WHICH BILL?
Ernie Polley	AK Comm. Broadcaster	634 W. 12th	99501		586 - 1437	Y	N	SB 131 - Will testify if needed
PETE CARAN	SEN. DUNCAN	P.O. Box U	99811		465-4766	Y	N	SB 131
						Y	N	
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						Y	N	
						Y	N	
						Y	N	
						Y	N	
						Y	N	
						Y	N	



House State Affairs Committee

Representative Gene Kubina, Chair

SUBJECT OF MEETING:

DATE:

PLACE:

NAME	REPRESENTING	BUSINESS/PERSONAL MAILING ADDRESS	ZIP	(H) PHONE	(W) PHONE	DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY?	WHAT SUBJECT/ WHICH BILL?
Bob Link	DOR	Box C	99844-0218		465 2250	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	HB 237
Sharon Macklin	AK Prof. Design Council	315 ST # 8 - Ind. hr	99801		586-9518	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Y <input type="radio"/> N	"
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SB

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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

Date Referred: March 11, 1992

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Judiciary

Date of Committee Action: 3/18/92

The STATE AFFAIRS Committee considered:

CSSB 146(JUD)

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 146 (JUD)

LIMITED PRIVILEGES FOR REVOKED LICENSES

"An Act relating to limited driving privileges for a person whose driver's license is suspended for failure to have motor vehicle liability insurance."

RECOMMENDATIONS:

be replaced with CSSB 146 (STA) [x] the same title [] a new title

[] have attached amendments(s)

[x] 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 _____

[x] zero fiscal note(s) Dept of Public Safety 3-11-92

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SIGNING DO PASS	DP	OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS	DNP	NR	AM
Eugene G. Kubera	✓				
T. M. Oyer	✓				
W. M. [Signature]	✓				
Mike Miller	✓				
F. L. Muenberg	✓				

Eugene G. Kubera
CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CSSB 146(JUD)

Revision Date: 3/10/92 Department Affected: Public Safety

Title: An Act relating to limited driving BRU: Motor Vehicles

privileges Component: Driver Services

Sponsor: Senator Menard

Requestor: House Transportation COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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

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-
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REVENUE	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
FUND SOURCE:						

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	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

Estimate of current year impact: None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

No fiscal impact anticipated.

Prepared By: Juanita Hensley Phone: 465-4335

Division: Motor Vehicles Date: 3/10/92

Approved by Commissioner: Richard L. Burton *J.A. Anetki*

Agency: Department of Public Safety Date: 3/10/92

Distribution (by preparer): Leg. Fin., Legis.

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3/10/92



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MEMORANDUM

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TO: REPRESENTATIVE GENE KUBINA
CHAIR, HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS

FROM: SEN. CURT MENARD *Curt Menard*

DATE: MARCH 10, 1992

SUBJ: REQUEST FOR HEARING
CSSB 146(JUD)
LIMITED PRIVILEGES FOR REVOKED LICENSES

Please schedule a hearing for CSSB 146(JUD) at your earliest convenience.

This bill allows the Department of Motor Vehicles an important additional factor in the consideration of granting a limited license to persons who have had licenses suspended for failure to have liability insurance.

This bill applies to licenses suspended for failure to have the proper motor vehicle insurance. It does not apply to any other issue with regard to suspended operators license.

If I may be of assistance to the committee, please call either myself, or my staff aide, Steve Richards.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

WE SUPPORT



SPONSOR STATEMENT

It's against the law to drive without liability insurance. If someone who does not have insurance or some proof of financial responsibility, is involved in an accident, whether they are at fault or not, their driving priveleges are suspended. After the offender who was not at fault has rectified the situation, by obtaining SR 22 insurance, they are then eligible for a limited license--for work purposes only.

If a driver who is at fault in the accident does not have insurance--that driver's license is suspended twice: once for not having insurance and once for not proving financial responsibility. The second suspension can be lifted in five different ways. Generally it is done by paying for the damage or posting a bond as required by the state. Until this second, accident related, suspension is lifted the driver is not eligible for a limited license.

In either case--at fault and not having insurance or not at fault and not having insurance--limited licenses of any kind are not issued until the entire situation is rectified.

Once the offender has "fixed" the problem, they can get a limited license for work purposes only. I've introduced the legislation before you today to add one other circumstance that can be considered by the Department of Public Safety as a reason to grant a limited license. That reason is:

because the driver or the driver's dependent has specific medical care needs that cannot otherwise be met.

This wording in the bill is very tight. It is a humanitarian means to allow for instances like taking a child to radiation treatments, it does not allow the offender to get a limited license just because they would be inconvenienced or made uncomfortable.

There are three major points I want to emphasize:

* . this bill applies only to offenders who did not have liability insurance--it does not apply to DWI offenses or to suspensions due to excessive points

* . only after the reason for the suspension has been rectified--the offender has obtained insurance, and has paid for any damage they may have caused--are they eligible for a limited license

* . the added consideration is very limited in scope--to receive medical care.

SB 146 is supported by the Department of Public Safety and has a zero fiscal note. I urge your support of this legislation.

During calendar year 1990 more than 6200 drivers were cited for not having liability insurance. Of those 6200 more than 3000 were able to provide proof of insurance and 3066 were actually suspended for being uninsured.

Of those 3,066 just 436 applied for limited licenses. There were 221 issued and 215 that were not for a variety of reasons.

BILL NO: SB 146

DATE: 3/6/91

TITLE: Limited Licenses for
Mandatory Insurance

CONTACT: Juanita Hensley
465-4335

POSTAL PERMIT / DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

This bill requires the Department to issue a "limited license" to persons whose licenses are suspended for not having motor vehicle liability insurance. Under this bill, limited licenses could be issued for "medical reasons, to avoid family hardship, or for work purposes".

The Department's position is that the wording "to avoid a family hardship" is too broad, and should be deleted. The bill does not give any guidance as to what "a family hardship" is. Any family which would be inconvenienced by losing the services of an adult driver would feel that they are experiencing a hardship. Suspension of a drivers license is a punitive sanction, imposed because the motorist violated state law. There isn't much point in suspending a driver's license for not having motor vehicle insurance if an individual can be issued a limited license to drive for any reason.

The Department supports this bill with the recommended amendment.



Richard L. Burton
Commissioner



Palmer Police Department

423 SOUTH VALLEY WAY
PALMER, ALASKA 99645



RONALD L. OTTE
CHIEF OF POLICE

PHONE: (907) 745-4811

TO: Senator Curt Menard

FROM: Ron Otte
Chief of Police - Palmer

DATE: March 4, 1991

RE: SB 146
"Limited driving privileges for a person whose driver's
license is suspended for failure to have liability insurance."

ATTENTION: Lola Young

I have reviewed the proposed amendments to AS 28.22.041 (c). I have no objections and, in fact, would support the concept of allowing limited driving privileges for medical reasons to avoid family hardship once a person has filed proof of financial responsibility. SB 146 provides balance and common sense when legitimate human needs dictate.

***** TRANSMITTAL MEMO *****

TO: Sen. Menard

DEPT: _____ FAX # 465-3756

FROM: Palmer PD PHONE: 745-4811

CC: Ron Otte 746-2314

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LETTERS OF SUPPORT

3-2-91

To Whom it May Concern:

I support the new bill Curt Menard has introduced.

I am a single father (7 years) of an 11 year old boy. I lost my license because of an uninsured accident, which was not my fault.

I received a limited license to go to and from work. However, this license does not permit me to go to the store, post office or bank.

Because I live in the Mat-Su Valley, where city transit is non-existent and postal service is not available, not to mention grocery stores which are 5 miles away, I have no choice but to break this law nearly daily.

I was stopped recently by the Alaska Troopers coming from the post office. I was ticketed for violation of my limited license. Now I face a mandatory 10 days in jail and another years suspension. When I get out I'm sure I will be ticketed again.

The law, the way it stands, has made a common criminal out of me.

Sincerely,
Craig S. Ness



House State Affairs Committee

Representative Gene Kubina, Chair

DATE: March 18, 1992

PLACE: Capital Room 102

SUBJECT OF MEETING:

- HJR 69 - Relating to Statehood for Wash. D.C.
- *HJR 3 - Relating to Change Terms of Representatives to four Years
- HB 348 - Relating to Grp Health & Life Insurance State Employees
- SB 146 - Relating to Limited Privileges for Revoked Licenses
- SJR 37 - Relating to Source Tax

NAME	REPRESENTING	BUSINESS/PERSONAL MAILING ADDRESS	ZIP	(H) PHONE	(W) PHONE	DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY?	WHAT SUBJECT/ WHICH BILL?
- G. Kubina	DIA			5-2007		(Y) N	HB 348
MIKE MILLER Mike Miller	Self	Juneau		586-3007		(Y) N	HJR 69
Juanita Hensley	DPS/DMV	Juneau		465-4335		(Y) N	SB 146
Jay Dufrenoy	DMV	5700 E Tudor Anch 99507			264-5539	(Y) N	SB 146
Rickie Wolford	Senator	Capital Room 103		4-58		(Y) N	SB 146
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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1991 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

No. 1
Bill Version: SR 159
(S) Publish Date: 3/1/91

Revision Date: _____
Title: Longevity Bonus Payments
Sponsor: Office of the Governor
Requestor: Office of the Governor

Department Affected: Administration
BRU: Division of Pioneers' Benefits
Component: Longevity Bonus

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	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	(7,326.0)	(12,284.0)	(12,946.0)	(13,509.0)	(14,219.0)	(14,879.0)
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL OPERATING	(7,326.0)	(12,284.0)	(12,946.0)	(13,509.0)	(14,219.0)	(14,879.0)

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	(7,326.0)	(12,284.0)	(12,946.0)	(13,509.0)	(14,219.0)	(14,879.0)
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	(7,326.0)	(12,284.0)	(12,946.0)	(13,509.0)	(14,219.0)	(14,879.0)

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: 0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)
The above savings are calculated from the annual costs of the program at \$250/65 years of age with regulation savings minus the cost of the program at \$237/for all recipients 67 years of age and for new recipients including regulation savings. See spreadsheet attached.

Prepared by: Barbara Bathony *Barbara Bathony* Phone: 465 4400
Division: Director Date: 2-27-91

Approved by Commissioner: Millett Keller *Millett Keller* Date: 2/28/91
Agency: Administration

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

Longevity Bonus Program
February 28, 1991

Year	Current Program	Regulatory Savings Current Program	Current Program with Regulatory Savings	Governor's Proposed 67/\$237.50	Regulatory Savings 67/\$237.50	Governor's Proposed with Reg. Savings	Net Savings 67/\$237.50
1991	\$61,060,000			\$61,060,000			
1992	\$65,447,500	\$2,800,000	\$62,647,500	\$56,621,025	\$1,300,000	\$55,321,025	\$7,326,475
1993	\$67,619,507	\$2,700,000	\$64,919,507	\$53,935,313	\$1,300,000	\$52,635,313	\$12,284,194
1994	\$70,897,839	\$2,700,000	\$68,197,839	\$56,551,875	\$1,300,000	\$55,251,875	\$12,945,964
1995	\$74,179,015	\$2,700,000	\$71,479,015	\$59,170,374	\$1,200,000	\$57,970,374	\$13,508,641
1996	\$77,204,292	\$2,600,000	\$74,604,292	\$61,585,547	\$1,200,000	\$60,385,547	\$14,218,745
1997	\$79,973,673	\$2,500,000	\$77,473,673	\$63,794,647	\$1,200,000	\$62,594,647	\$14,879,026
1998	\$82,751,583	\$2,400,000	\$80,351,583	\$66,009,243	\$1,200,000	\$64,809,243	\$15,542,340
1999	\$85,523,806	\$2,300,000	\$83,223,806	\$68,221,091	\$1,100,000	\$67,121,091	\$16,102,715
2000	\$88,045,819	\$2,100,000	\$85,945,819	\$70,232,362	\$1,100,000	\$69,132,362	\$16,813,457
						Cummulative Savings	\$123,621,557

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WALTER J. HICKEL
GOVERNOR



STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
JUNEAU

March 1, 1991

The Honorable Richard I. Eliason
President of the Senate
P.O. Box V
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear President Eliason:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the Alaska longevity bonus payment.

Section 1 of the bill raises the age of eligibility to qualify to receive a longevity bonus under AS 47.45.010(a) from age 65 to age 67. Additionally, the bill decreases the monthly bonus from the current \$250 to \$237.50.

The bill amends AS 47.45.010(a)'s minimum residency requirement from two years to one year. In Lindley, et al. v. Malone, 3rd Jud. Dist. C.A. No. 3AN-90-2586 (1990), the Alaska superior court held that a two-year residency requirement for permanent fund dividends and longevity bonus payments was unconstitutional. As enacted in 1989 (sec. 6, ch. 107, SLA 1989), AS 47.45.010(d) provided in advance for the court's finding, by stating that if the two-year residency requirement was held invalid and no appeal was pending, the residency requirement would be one year. The Department of Administration applied that one-year requirement during 1990. To clarify the law, AS 47.45.010(a) and (d) are amended to reflect the court's ruling.

Section 2 of the bill provides that the change in the age requirement made in sec. 1 of the bill will not affect an individual who received a longevity bonus payment for a month before July 1991. Section 2 also provides that this "grandfather" provision does not apply to a person who was receiving the bonus but who, on or after June 30, 1991, is disqualified from receiving it for some period of time. Disqualification can occur as a result of extended absences from the state or as a result of fraudulent activity. (Absence for

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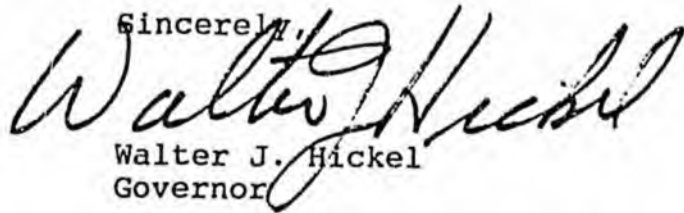
The Honorable Richard Eliason - 2 -

shorter periods, confinement in a mental institution, or residence in a nursing home will result in an interruption in bonus payments, but will not result in disqualification.)

Section 3 of the bill provides for an effective date of July 1, 1991.

I urge your early consideration and support of this bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Walter J. Hickel". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Walter J. Hickel
Governor



For A Bright Future

DR - save

REC'D FEB 07 1991

Dear Fellow Senior:

There are many serious problems facing Alaska today. There must be a change in leadership if there is to be a change in direction. Something needs to be done quickly to reduce state spending, to get rid of drugs in our society, and to create an atmosphere for jobs.

It is extremely important that we do not forget those who made Alaska the wonderfully unique state which we enjoy today. Keeping our senior citizens in Alaska and with the family is a priority for my administration. The Longevity Bonus and the dividends from the Permanent Fund are a source of income that must be protected for you. There will be no change made by my administration in the Longevity Bonus for those who now receive it; you can count on that.

The Hickel/Coghill Administration strongly supports the Pioneers' Homes and the assistance given to those who are in the private long term care facilities. We will review the methods used to determine the Certificate of Need so that private facilities can have the capability of taking care of those in need in their own communities. We also have a commitment to home care so that the family member can stay at home as long as they are able. Keeping the family together is extremely important.

The Hickel/Coghill team is not promising everything to everybody, but we are committing our strong support to the senior programs. We appreciate your support on November 6th.

Sincerely,

Wally Hickel

Hickel backs off from bonus cuts

Tells seniors he'll be listening

By MATT KOHLMAN

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Gov. Walter J. Hickel says he will discard his plan to reduce longevity bonus payments if Alaska's elderly tell him not to tamper with the free-money program.

Spokesmen for the elderly say there is little doubt that the majority of Alaskans over 65 want to keep their monthly state payments at \$250.

Hickel said during his campaign that he would not cut the bonus. But after taking office he proposed payments be reduced by 5 percent, and the eligibility age be raised from 65 to 67.

Hickel sent a letter last week to pioneers' homes, senior centers and other agencies outlining the proposed cuts and asking for support.

"Many seniors told me they were willing to play their part in this necessary belt-tightening," Hickel wrote. "But if you tell me collective-

ly to maintain the current funding, then I'll recommend that we keep the program as is against my informed judgment."

Peggy Burgin, chairwoman of the state Older Alaskans Commission, said Hickel should have consulted with more elderly Alaskans before asking for the reduction.

"It's a feeling of the seniors that they've contributed enough back to the state in their pensions, their Social Security, their investments, that it's well worth keeping them in the state," said Burgin, who noted she was not speaking on behalf of the commission.

Joe Alter, a lobbyist for the American Association of Retired Persons, said his group's position is clear.

"I think the majority say leave it alone," he said. "We think the program should be stabilized."

Hickel spokesman Jeff Logan said a recent poll showed three-fourths of

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Alaskans want to cut the state budget, and the governor wants to see if that same percentage relates to elderly regarding the longevity bonus.

"He wants to hear from the people themselves who are getting the checks," he said. "That's who the

collective is."

The program's cost has risen steadily since its creation in 1972. In its first year, 4,753 people received \$100 monthly bonus payments at a cost of \$346,100, according to the Division of Pioneers' Benefits.

About 22,260 people will receive the \$250 monthly bonus checks in the coming fiscal year at a cost of more

than \$60 million. The bonus is paid regardless of need.

Legislators say it probably will not matter if Hickel decides to do away with his proposal to reduce the longevity bonus.

"I don't think that legislation will be adopted," said Sen. Jay Kerttula, D-Palmer. "I think there is funding for this year."

Addn'l Articles

Proposed bonus cut to take 4 years

The Associated Press

JUNEAU — The Hickel administration's proposed 5 percent cut in the \$250 longevity bonus paid monthly to elderly Alaskans would take effect over each of the next four years, reducing the checks to \$200 by 1995.

"That's the plan we're going forward with," Administration Commissioner Millett Keller told the Older Alaskans Commission on Monday.

Keller also said the administration is considering filing liens against property owned by residents of the state's Pioneers' Homes to collect unpaid bills after they die.

In his state-of-the-budget speech Thursday, Gov. Walter Hickel proposed cutting

the longevity bonus by 5 percent, or \$12.50 a month, but did not say he wanted to impose the cut annually over the next four years.

He also suggested raising the minimum eligibility age from 65 to 67.

In an interview, Keller said he wanted to end the longevity bonus program and use the \$60 million a year saved to help the needy elderly, but Hickel rejected the idea.

The longevity bonus is not the best way to help the elderly in need, Keller said.

The state has the authority to collect unpaid rent and fees from Pioneers' Home residents, but it has not pursued such debts vigorously. Keller said the state should look at filing liens "so that

people who have the ability to pay are given the opportunity."

Keller said he was unsure when the state might begin using liens, and noted that public hearings would be held before any change is made.

State law allows the state to charge Pioneers' Home residents the full cost of their care, and "provides in very cold, calculating language" that liens may be applied to residents' property.

Residents pay from \$525 to \$800 a month depending on the type of care they receive at the Pioneers' Homes. Each resident costs the state from \$2,000 to \$6,000 a month, however.

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Date Referred: March 20, 1992

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT
FURTHER REFERRALS:

4-22-92
Rules

Date of Committee Action: 4/22/92

The STATE AFFAIRS Committee considered:

HCS CSSB 185(FIN)

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 185 (FIN)

LEGISLATIVE ETHICS

"An Act relating to current and former legislators and legislative employees, and candidates for the legislature; establishing a legislative ethics commission; and providing for an effective date."

RECOMMENDATIONS:

be replaced with 2d House CS for CS for SB 185 (STA) | | the same title
[X] 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)

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zero fiscal note LAA _____

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Eugene A. Kubiara	X	David P. Pickett			
Tommye	X	Chiquette			
Edward G. Gaudeman	X				
McC. Shrentz	X				

Eugene A. Kubiara
CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HCS CSSB 185 (Fin) am H

Revision Date: _____

Department Affected: Administration

Title: Legislative Ethics Act

BRU: Alaska Public Offices Commission

Sponsor: Senate Special Committee on Ethics Reform

Component: Alaska Public Offices Commission

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	73.1	42.5	43.8	45.1	46.5	47.9
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	1.0	11.0	11.0	11.0	11.0	11.0
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	74.1	53.5	54.8	56.1	57.5	58.9

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

GENERAL FUND	74.1	53.5	54.8	56.1	57.5	58.9
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER FUND SOURCE:	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	74.1	53.5	54.8	56.1	57.5	58.9

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	2	1	1	1	1	1
PART-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

Estimate of current year impact: 0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)
 See attached narrative.

Prepared by: Karen Booman, Executive Director
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 Date: _____

Approved by Commissioner: Nancy Bear Usara
 Agency: Administration

Date: 4/6/92

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

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HCS CSSB 185 (Fin) am H

HCS CSSB 185 (Finance) am H FISCAL NARRATIVE

This bill establishes new financial disclosure requirements for legislators, candidates for the legislature and legislative directors.

The Alaska Public Offices Commission (Commission) is requesting funds to prepare for implementation of these new requirements and for ongoing administration. A Regulations Specialist II position (range 16) is requested for the first year only to develop forms, manuals, and instructional material and prepare proposed regulation changes for Commission adoption. A modest sum of \$1,000 is requested to supplement manual costs to accommodate the separate disclosure requirements for legislators, candidates, and directors.

An Administrative Assistant (range 12) is proposed to administer the program on an ongoing basis. This would include providing compliance, assisting interpretations of the law, review of statements and assistance with complaint investigations.

The Commission anticipates that potential complaints could include allegations that a legislator or candidate did not reveal complete or accurate information about an income source with a substantial interest in legislative, administration, or political action. The Commission anticipates that one complaint annually could proceed to public hearing before the Commission as required under the Administrative Procedures Act. Funds are requested to absorb the additional expense.

A detailed breakdown of the costs associated with administration and enforcement of this bill is attached.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HCS CSSB 185 (Fin) am H

HCS CSSB 185 (Finance) am H
Alaska Public Offices Commission Estimated Costs
FY 93

Personnel:

* Regulations Specialist II, Range 16A	\$52,422	
Administrative Assistant, Range 12A	<u>\$20,640</u>	(Starting January 1, 1993)
	\$73,062	

Contractual Services:

<u>Manuals/Forms</u>	\$ 1,000	
** <u>Legal Fees</u>	\$10,000	
Hearings, witness fees, subpoenas, transcripts, professional services.		

* Funding for Regulations Specialist II position required for FY 93 only.

** Complaint investigation funds will be necessary after FY 93.

Personnel Services costs projected to increase 3 percent per year for merit increases.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO: SB 185

Revision Date: _____
Title: "An Act relating to conduct of legislators, legislative employees....on Legislative Ethics."
Sponsor: Senate Spec. Comm. on Ethics Reform
Requestor: House State Affairs

Department Affected: Legislative Affairs Agency
BRU: Legislative Council
Component: Council & Subcommittees

COMPONENT SERIAL NO:

Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
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						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
REVENUE FUND SOURCE	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	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

Estimate of current year impact: _____

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Zero fiscal impact.

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Division: Administrative Services

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Date: 3/24/92

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Agency: Legislative Affairs Agency

Warren W. Endicott

Date: 3/24/92

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

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Alaska State Legislature

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Official Business

State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

TO: All Representatives
FROM: David Finkelstein *DF*
DATE: April 16, 1992
SUBJECT: Ethics legislation

Last May, the House passed the Legislative Ethics Act of 1992, HCS CSSB 185(FIN) am-H. The Senate did not accept the title changes made by the House and returned the bill to the House. SB 185 is currently in the House State Affairs Committee which is attempting to forge a compromise between the House and Senate versions of the bill which fits under the Senate title.

Listed below (and in the attached CS) are changes to the House version now being considered by the State Affairs Committee. In addition to adopting many Senate provisions, the draft CS also uses the drafting style of the Senate bill, i.e., additions and deletions to the current ethics statute rather than a complete replacement of the current law.

If you have concerns with any of the changes to the House bill, please let me know. I would like to work with you to address any problems before the bill is back on the House floor.

Proposed Changes to the House version of SB 185:

1. Modify the House prohibition against the misuse of state resources for political purposes, by removing the general statement prohibiting correspondence that is primarily intended to influence an election and the provision directing the Legislative Council to recommend regulations.
(CS page 4, line 5)
2. Adopt Senate restriction on the taking of an action which could substantially benefit or harm an entity with which a legislator or aide is negotiating for employment.
(CS page 5, line 7)
3. Adopt Senate ban on fundraising by legislators during session, with the House clarification that only fundraising for legislative races is prohibited.
(CS page 5, line 22)

4. Add a new section prohibiting legislative employees from filing as candidates for the legislature, or filing letters of intent to run for the legislature.

(CS page 6, line 1)

5. Accept Senate retention of the existing statutory provisions relating to legislators' and aides' interests in state contracts or leases, with the House expansion to cover the immediate family members of legislators and legislative employees.

(CS page 6, line 17)

6. Adopt Senate disclosure requirements for close economic associations. The Senate version keeps the current statutory requirements, plus requires that disclosure statements include sufficient detail. The House version only requires disclosure of financial relationships with lobbyists, but the commission is given the power to determine whether the economic association warrants restrictions.

(CS page 8, line 10)

7. Adopt Senate gift sections. The Senate version increases the value of acceptable gifts to \$100, but limits gifts from a single source to \$100/year. Both the Senate and House versions prohibit the acceptance of gifts from lobbyists during session, with some exceptions. The Senate bill also prohibits the acceptance of gifts from lobbyists' clients during the session, and states that a lobbyist may not give or facilitate a gift to a legislator or aide, other than food or beverage for immediate consumption, during the session. In addition to the Senate language, the exception for family gifts will be limited to gifts from immediate family members. Gifts from other relations may be permitted under the exclusion for gifts unrelated to the recipient's legislative status.

(CS page 9, line 5 and page 27, line 17)

8. Adopt Senate version regarding honoraria, plus the House clarification that the prohibition against honoraria does not prevent a legislator from holding a job which requires appearances or speech as part of the normal course of employment.

(CS page 10, line 23)

9. Delete House language allowing exceptions to the nepotism ban when a relative is uniquely qualified to perform a task.

(CS page 11, line 1)

10. Modify House provisions on the representation of clients before state agencies by returning to the language of the current statute, which requires disclosure of all types of representation.

(CS page 11, line 16)

11. Modify House ethics commission provisions in the following ways: (CS pages 11 - 20)

- Retain the current committee structure, but the committee will consist of two representatives, two senators and five public members;
- The House and Senate subcommittees will each consist of two legislators and five public members;
- The committee and subcommittees must be chaired by public members;
- All five public members will be appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and will serve three-year staggered terms;
- Remove term limits for public members;
- Reduce commission staffing to one half-time employee hired by the committee, with legal assistance provided by Legal Services;
- Adopt Senate version of the advisory opinion and complaint processes; and
- Delete list of sanctions the committee may recommend.

12. Adopt the Senate provision stating that a member of the ethics commission may obtain access to closed confidential committee files only if the full committee determines by majority vote that the member has a need to know.
(CS page 13, line 25)

13. Replace specific provisions scattered throughout the House bill allowing exceptions with one general section permitting the committee to grant exceptions to the ethics prohibitions under certain circumstances.
(CS page 14, line 25)

14. Modify the House financial disclosure provisions relating to gifts, inheritances, the definition of income, and the definition of a person with with a substantial interest in legislative action. These changes conform to amendments the House State Affairs Committee made to the campaign finance bill, HB 195.
(CS page 20, line 12)

15. Remove reference to candidates for the Legislature from the sections relating to financial disclosure.
(CS page 20, line 12)

16. Modify House the definition of "legislative employee" to include all employees except those whose jobs are incidental to the legislative process, such as maintenance workers. Legislative employees include public members of the ethics committee and committee employees and contractors. The category of "legislative assistants" will be deleted.
(CS page 24, line 4)

17. Adopt Senate restriction on lobbyists' influence on the introduction of bills. Current law prohibits a lobbyist from encouraging the introduction of a bill so that the lobbyist may be employed opposing the bill. The Senate version states that a lobbyist also may not encourage introduction of a bill for the purpose of being employed to secure its passage.

(CS page 27, line 2)

18. Adopt Senate prohibition against lobbyists' involvement in legislative campaigns with one modification. Lobbyists would be allowed to give personal contributions to candidates.

(CS page 27, line 10)

19. Adopt Senate post-legislative lobbying restrictions with the House clarification that the ban applies to executive and legislative lobbying by paid lobbyists, but not by volunteer or representational lobbyists. The House version bans executive branch and legislative branch lobbying for one session. The Senate extends the ban for one year, but only to legislative lobbying.

(CS page 27, line 22)

20. Modify House provisions to clarify that all disclosures will be submitted to the committee, which will turn them over to the journal. Under the current law, some disclosures are given directly to the chief clerk and some go first to the committee.

(CS various pages)

21. Delete House provisions which relate to legislative office accounts, supplemental office expenses and travel.

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22. Delete House provisions which relate to the state-funded legal defense of legislators and legislative employees.

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Alaska State Legislature

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Official Business

State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

TO: House State Affairs Committee

FROM: David Finkelstein

DATE: April 14, 1992

SUBJECT: SB 185, ethics legislation

Listed below is the best compromise I can come up with between the House and Senate versions. In addition to adopting many Senate provisions, I have also incorporated the Senate drafting style, as Senator Collins requested. I will try to talk to you prior to tomorrow's State Affairs hearing to address any concerns you may have.

1. Adopt Senate restriction on lobbyists' influence on the introduction of bills. Current law prohibits a lobbyist from encouraging the introduction of a bill so that the lobbyist may be employed opposing the bill. The Senate version states that a lobbyist also may not encourage introduction of a bill for the purpose of being employed to secure its passage.
(Senate page 1)
2. Adopt Senate prohibition against lobbyists' involvement in legislative campaigns with one modification. Lobbyists would be allowed to give personal contributions to candidates.
(Senate page 2)
3. Adopt Senate restriction on the taking of an action which could substantially benefit or harm an entity with which a legislator or aide is negotiating for employment.
(Senate page 4)

4. Modify the House prohibition against the misuse of state resources for political purposes, by removing the general statement prohibiting correspondence that is primarily intended to influence an election and the provision directing the Legislative Council to recommend regulations.

(Senate page 4, House page 2)

5. Adopt Senate ban on fundraising by legislators during session, with the House clarification that only fundraising for legislative races is prohibited.

(Senate page 5, House page 8)

6. Adopt Senate disclosure requirements for close economic associations. The Senate version keeps the current statutory requirements, plus requires that disclosure statements include sufficient detail. The House version only requires disclosure of financial relationships with lobbyists, but the commission is given the power to determine whether the economic association warrants restrictions.

(Senate page 5, House page 12)

7. Adopt Senate gift sections. The Senate version increases the value of acceptable gifts to \$100, but limits gifts from a single source to \$100/year. Both the Senate and House versions prohibit the acceptance of gifts from lobbyists during session, with some exceptions. The Senate bill also prohibits the acceptance of gifts from lobbyists' clients during the session, and states that a lobbyist may not give or facilitate a gift to a legislator or aide, other than food or beverage for immediate consumption, during the session. In addition to the Senate language, the exception for family gifts will be limited to gifts from immediate family members. Gifts from other relations may be permitted under the exclusion for gifts unrelated to the recipient's legislative status.

(Senate page 5, House page 7)

8. Adopt Senate version regarding honoraria, plus the House clarification that the prohibition against honoraria does not prevent a legislator from holding a job which requires appearances or speech as part of the normal course of employment.

(Senate page 6, House page 8)

9. Modify House provisions on the representation of clients before state agencies by returning to the language of the current statute, which requires disclosure of all types of representation.

(Senate page 7, House page 5)

10. Modify House ethics commission provisions in the following ways:

- Retain the current committee structure, but the nine-member committee will consist of two representatives, two senators and five public members instead of six legislators and three public members;
 - The House and Senate subcommittees will each consist of two legislators and five public members;
 - The committee and subcommittees must be chaired by public members;
 - All five public members will be appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and will serve three-year staggered terms;
 - Remove term limits for public members;
 - Reduce commission staffing to one half-time employee hired by the committee/commission, with legal assistance provided by Legal Services;
 - Adopt Senate version of the advisory opinion and complaint processes; and
 - Delete list of sanctions the committee may recommend.
- (Senate pp. 7-12, House pp. 14-28)

11. Adopt the Senate provision stating that a member of the ethics commission may obtain access to closed confidential committee files only if the full committee determines by majority vote that the member has a need to know.
(Senate page 8)

12. Adopt Senate post-legislative lobbying restrictions with the House clarification that the ban applies to executive and legislative lobbying by paid lobbyists, but not by volunteer or representational lobbyists. The House version bans executive branch and legislative branch lobbying for one session. The Senate extends the ban for one year, but only to legislative lobbying.
(Senate page 13, House page 38)

13. Delete House language allowing exceptions to the nepotism ban when a relative is uniquely qualified to perform a task.
(House page 4)

14. Modify the House financial disclosure provisions relating to gifts, inheritances, the definition of income, and the definition of a person with with a substantial interest in legislative action. These changes conform to amendments the House State Affairs Committee made to the campaign finance bill, HB 195.
(House page 10)

15. Remove reference to candidates for the legislature from the sections relating to financial disclosure.

(House page 10 and various references)

16. Accept Senate retention of the existing statutory provisions relating to legislators' and aides' interests in state contracts or leases, with the House expansion to cover the immediate family members of legislators and legislative employees.

(House page 12) section.

17. Replace specific provisions scattered throughout the House bill allowing exceptions with one general section permitting the committee to grant exceptions to the ethics prohibitions under certain circumstances.

(House page 20 and various other references)

18. Delete House provisions which relate to legislative office accounts, supplemental office expenses and travel.

(House page 34)

19. Delete House provisions which relate to the state-funded legal defense of legislators and legislative employees.

(House page 35)

20. Modify House the definition of "legislative employee" to include all employees except those whose jobs are incidental to the legislative process, such as maintenance workers. Legislative employees include public members of the ethics committee and committee employees and contractors. The category of "legislative assistants" will be deleted.

(Senate page 4, House page 27)

21. Add a new section prohibiting legislative employees from filing as candidates for the legislature, or filing letters of intent to run for the legislature.

(Not in Senate or House version)

22. Modify House provisions to clarify that all disclosures will be submitted to the committee, which will turn them over to the journal. Under the current law, some disclosures are given directly to the chief clerk and some go first to the committee.

23. Adopt the Senate title.



Alaska State Legislature

SENATE

Official Business

P.O. Box V
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Juneau, Alaska 99811

April 14, 1992

MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative David Finkelstein

FROM: Senator Virginia Collins, Chair
Senate Special Committee Ethics Reform

SUBJECT: Ethics

I am in receipt of your last note requesting further changes to your memorandum dated 4/3/92. You specifically asked about item 6, item 11 and item 23.

Item 6. It makes sense to allow an exception for contested special elections. The prohibition on fundraising in Juneau during session should remain.

Item 11. I am not sure that all of our differences can be resolved on this item.

Item 23. My preference is that the ethics code cover all legislative employees but above a range 15 as specified in the original senate language is fine.

I still believe the preferred method of accomplishing both of our goals is to modify the existing statutes rather than a repeal and reenactment. Now the House State Affairs Committee and the rest of the House must decide which approach^{ho?} the better chance of success.

cc: Representative Kubina



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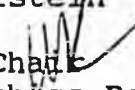
Senate

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ETHICS REFORM
Senator Virginia Collins

Pouch V
State Capitol
Juneau, Alaska 99811

April 7, 1992

MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative David Finkelstein
FROM: Senator Virginia Collins, Chair 
Senate Special Committee Ethics Reform
SUBJECT: Ethics

I am in receipt of your memorandums dated 4/6/92 and 4/7/92. I have not completed my review of your new work draft 7-LS0799\N dated 4/6/92 and must reserve judgement. However, I have attached your 4/3/92 memorandum with notations in the margin next to the 24 listed items.

I note that your new draft adopted some suggestions presented in my work draft 7-LS0799/E dated 3/30/92. I would like to reiterate that there is no guarantee that the Senate will concur with a repeal and reenactment of the legislative ethics statutes.

I want to again emphasize that modifying the existing statutes is preferable to a repeal and reenactment. As we both know, the house and senate versions of SB 185 only deal with advisory committees with regard to legislators. My new work draft 7-LS0799/K dated 3/30/92 is a very good compromise and I believe it stands the best chance of concurrence by the full Senate.

My preference is for the House State Affairs Committee to adopt work draft 7-LS0799\K dated 4/2/92 as their committee substitute. Then legislature pass SJR 31 which would allow a vote on a completely independent Commission On Public Standards.

Attachment

cc: Representative Kubina



Alaska State Legislature

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Official Business

State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

TO: House State Affairs Committee
FROM: David Finkelstein
DATE: April 3, 1992
SUBJECT: SB 185, ethics legislation

We are still in the process of developing a compromise on the ethics bill. Listed below are some possible changes to the House version to bring it closer to the Senate version. While no one has agreed to this approach, I believe the final compromise will be close to this. Please let me know if you feel any of these changes should not be made.

1. Adopt Senate restriction on lobbyists' influence on the introduction of bills. Current law prohibits a lobbyist from encouraging the introduction of a bill so that the lobbyist may be employed opposing the bill. The Senate version states that a lobbyist also may not encourage introduction of a bill for the purpose of being employed to secure its passage.
(Senate page 1)

*yes
Senate
language*

2. Adopt Senate prohibition against lobbyists' involvement in legislative campaigns with one modification. Lobbyists would be allowed to give personal contributions to candidates.
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3. Adopt Senate restriction on the taking of an action which could substantially benefit or harm an entity with which a legislator or aide is negotiating for employment.
(Senate page 4)

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Senate
language*

4. Modify the House prohibition against the misuse of state resources for private benefit, by making the use of a telephone that does not carry a special charge the only exception. Delete the exception for limited use of nominal cost.
(Senate page 4 , House page 2)

*yes
Senate
language*

5. Modify the House prohibition against the misuse of state resources for political purposes, by making the use of a telephone that does not carry a special charge the only exception. Delete the exception for limited use of nominal cost, and the provision for regulations, and the prohibition against mass mailings within thirty days of an election. *no exception*
(Senate page 4, House page 2)

6. Adopt Senate ban on fundraising by legislators during session, with the House exception for special elections. *no exception*
(Senate page 5, House page 8)

7. Adopt Senate disclosure requirements for close economic associations. The Senate version keeps the current statutory requirements, plus requires that disclosure statements include sufficient detail. The House version only requires disclosure of financial relationships with lobbyists, but the commission is given the power to determine whether the economic association warrants restrictions. *yes Senate language*
(Senate page 5, House page 12)

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(Senate page 5, House page 7)

9. Adopt Senate version regarding honoraria, plus the House clarification that the prohibition against honoraria does not prevent a legislator from holding a job which requires appearances or speech as part of the normal course of employment. *yes*
(Senate page 6, House page 8)

10. Modify House provisions on the representation of clients before state agencies by requiring disclosure of all types of representation. *yes*
(Senate page 7, House page 5)

11. Modify House ethics commission provisions in the following ways: *no assurance that Senate will occur*
- All five public members appointed by the Supreme Court;
- Reduce commission staffing to one half-time employee hired by the committee/commission, with legal assistance provided by Legal Services; and
- Adopt Senate version of the complaint process.
(Senate pp. 7-12, House pp. 14-28)

12. Adopt the Senate provision stating that a member of the ethics commission may obtain access to closed confidential committee files only if the full committee determines by majority vote that the member has a need to know. *yes Senate language*
(Senate page 8)

13. Adopt Senate post-legislative lobbying restrictions with the House clarification that the ban applies to executive and legislative lobbying by paid lobbyists, but not by volunteer or representational lobbyists, and that the Commission may grant exceptions. The House version bans executive branch and legislative branch lobbying for one session. The Senate extends the ban for one year, but only to legislative lobbying. *yes Senate language with House addition*
(Senate page 13, House page 38)

14. Modify the House restrictions on requiring staff to do personal services by eliminating the exception for unusual and infrequent situations. *no except*
(House page 2)

15. Delete House language allowing exceptions to the nepotism ban when a relative is uniquely qualified to perform a task. *yes*
(House page 4)

16. Delete House provisions which permit legislators and employees to accept contributions to legal defense and election challenge funds. *yes*
(House page 9)

17. Modify the House financial disclosure provisions relating to gifts, inheritances, the definition of income, and the definition of a person with with a substantial interest in legislative action. These changes conform to amendments the House State Affairs Committee made to the campaign finance bill, HB 195. *yes*
(House page 10)

18. Remove reference to candidates for the legislature from the sections relating to financial disclosure. *yes*
(House page 10 and various references)

19. Accept Senate retention of the existing statutory provisions relating to legislators' and aides' interests in state contracts or leases, with the House expansion to cover the immediate family members of legislators. *yes*
(House page 12)

20. Delete most House provisions which permit the Commission to grant exceptions to the ethics prohibitions under extraordinary circumstances.

(House page 20 and various other references)

yes

21. Delete House provisions which relate to legislative office accounts, supplemental office expenses and travel.

(House page 34)

yes

22. Delete House provisions which relate to the state-funded legal defense of legislators and legislative employees.

(House page 35)

yes

23. Modify House definitions of legislative assistant and legislative employee to reflect Senate division at range 15. Assistants will be employees who work at range 15 and above and public members of the ethics commission. Employees include everyone on the legislature's payroll, including ethics commission employees and contractors.

(Senate page 4, House page 27)

include all employees

24. Add a new section prohibiting legislative employees from filing as candidates for the legislature, or filing letters of intent to run for the legislature.

(Not in Senate or House version)

yes



Official Business

Alaska State Legislature

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

TO: House State Affairs Committee

FROM: David Finkelstein

DATE: April 3, 1992

SUBJECT: SB 185, ethics legislation

We are still in the process of developing a compromise on the ethics bill. Listed below are some possible changes to the House version to bring it closer to the Senate version. While no one has agreed to this approach, I believe the final compromise will be close to this. Please let me know if you feel any of these changes should not be made.

1. Adopt Senate restriction on lobbyists' influence on the introduction of bills. Current law prohibits a lobbyist from encouraging the introduction of a bill so that the lobbyist may be employed opposing the bill. The Senate version states that a lobbyist also may not encourage introduction of a bill for the purpose of being employed to secure its passage.
(Senate page 1)
2. Adopt Senate prohibition against lobbyists' involvement in legislative campaigns with one modification. Lobbyists would be allowed to give personal contributions to candidates.
(Senate page 2)
3. Adopt Senate restriction on the taking of an action which could substantially benefit or harm an entity with which a legislator or aide is negotiating for employment.
(Senate page 4)
4. Modify the House prohibition against the misuse of state resources for private benefit, by making the use of a telephone that does not carry a special charge the only exception. Delete the exception for limited use of nominal cost.
(Senate page 4 , House page 2)

5. Modify the House prohibition against the misuse of state resources for political purposes, by making the use of a telephone that does not carry a special charge the only exception. Delete the exception for limited use of nominal cost, and the provision for regulations, and the prohibition against mass mailings within thirty days of an election.

(Senate page 4, House page 2)

6. Adopt Senate ban on fundraising by legislators during session, with the House exception for special elections.

(Senate page 5, House page 8)

7. Adopt Senate disclosure requirements for close economic associations. The Senate version keeps the current statutory requirements, plus requires that disclosure statements include sufficient detail. The House version only requires disclosure of financial relationships with lobbyists, but the commission is given the power to determine whether the economic association warrants restrictions.

(Senate page 5, House page 12)

8. Adopt Senate gift sections. The Senate version increases the value of acceptable gifts to \$100, but limits gifts from a single source to \$100/year. Both the Senate and House versions prohibit the acceptance of gifts from lobbyists during session, with some exceptions. The Senate bill also prohibits the acceptance of gifts from lobbyists' clients during the session, and states that a lobbyist may not give or facilitate a gift to a legislator or aide, other than food or beverage for immediate consumption, during the session.

(Senate page 5, House page 7)

9. Adopt Senate version regarding honoraria, plus the House clarification that the prohibition against honoraria does not prevent a legislator from holding a job which requires appearances or speech as part of the normal course of employment.

(Senate page 6, House page 8)

10. Modify House provisions on the representation of clients before state agencies by requiring disclosure of all types of representation.

(Senate page 7, House page 5)

11. Modify House ethics commission provisions in the following ways:

- All five public members appointed by the Supreme Court;
- Reduce commission staffing to one half-time employee hired by the committee/commission, with legal assistance provided by Legal Services; and
- Adopt Senate version of the complaint process.

(Senate pp. 7-12, House pp. 14-28)

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20. Delete most House provisions which permit the Commission to grant exceptions to the ethics prohibitions under extraordinary circumstances.

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21. Delete House provisions which relate to legislative office accounts, supplemental office expenses and travel.

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23. Modify House definitions of legislative assistant and legislative employee to reflect Senate division at range 15. Assistants will be employees who work at range 15 and above and public members of the ethics commission. Employees include everyone on the legislature's payroll, including ethics commission employees and contractors.

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24. Add a new section prohibiting legislative employees from filing as candidates for the legislature, or filing letters of intent to run for the legislature.

(Not in Senate or House version)



Official Business

Alaska State Legislature

Senate

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ETHICS REFORM

Senator Virginia Collins

Pouch V
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Juneau, Alaska 99811

April 2, 1992

MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative Gene Kubina, Chair
House State Affairs Committee and
Members of House State Affairs Committee

FROM: Senator Virginia Collins, Chair *W*
Senate Special Committee Ethics Reform

SUBJECT: House State Affairs Committee Substitute CSSB
185(JUD) am

My memorandum to you dated 3/31/92 explained that I would be forwarding two draft committee substitutes for discussion. You already have work draft 7-LS0799/E based on the version passed by the House.

Attached is work draft 7-LS0799/K along with a sectional analysis. It has been drafted based on the bill that passed the Senate. As I mentioned before, the Senators to whom I have spoken prefer leaving intact the existing Select Committee on Legislative Ethics. The attached draft includes most of the concerns that have been expressed to me by various House members. Draft 7-LS0799/K represents the best of both bill versions and has the best chance of concurrence by the full Senate.

I believe that the critical items have been addressed. Listed below are the changes to CSSB 185(JUD) am:

1. Add section requiring compliance with Open Meetings Act, Sec. 15.
2. Add section on reprisals against whistle blowers, Sec. 13.
3. Add section prohibiting discrimination, Sec. 13.
4. Add language to include all legislative employees under the ethics statute, Sec. 4.
5. Reduces the legislative members on the committee from six to four, two from Senate and two from House. Also requires membership on subcommittee, one from the majority and one from the minority. Committee size is reduced from nine members to seven members with changes in quorum requirements, Sec. 17 - 20.

6. Add language to prohibit receipt of anything of value for performing legislative duties, Sec. 6.
7. Add language to prohibit preferential treatment in state contracts, Sec. 6.
8. Add section to prohibit legislative employees from serving on boards and commissions requiring legislative confirmation, Sec. 8.
9. Deletes the total ban on representation before state agencies.
10. Deletes the total ban on post legislative employment.

I urge the House State Affairs Committee to adopt work draft 7-LS0799\K as a committee substitute.



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Senate

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ETHICS REFORM Senator Virginia Collins

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Juneau, Alaska 99811

March 31, 1992

MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative Gene Kubina, Chair
House State Affairs Committee

FROM: Senator Virginia Collins, Chair *VC*
Senate Special Committee Ethics Reform

SUBJECT: Ethics

My staff has gone over both versions of SB 185 and the Representative Finkelstein's proposals dated 3/25/92. I have been working on two proposed committee substitutes which have been drafted using either version.

Work Draft 7-LS0799\E dated 3/30/92 has been drafted to incorporate many of the senate items not contained in the bill that passed the house. I have taken the liberty of deleting from HCS CSSB 185(FIN) am H those items which were purposely left out of CSSB 185(JUD) am. I want to be clear that my preference is still the approach taken in the bill passed by the Senate.

I find little agreement with those I have talked with about doing away with our current advisory ethics committee and establishing a new advisory ethics committee. The main problem seems to be that they do the same thing and the new committee costs 15 times as much as the current committee. We legislators should be looking at ways to cut the cost of government and make it run more efficiently.

After having sat on the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics for over a year, I am not convinced that the current method is broke and needs fixing. We have some very fine public members on our committee and they take their appointments seriously. The statute problems identified in the Adams investigation could not have been foreseen which is why both the senate and the house versions now cover that situation. The current committee was not at fault for the deficiency in the statute.

This draft does not tamper with the concepts passed by the house. However, we have made some minor changes that enhance the enforcement of an ethics code and delete exemptions to the statute. Please consider this draft a starting point should a conference committee become necessary in order to achieve agreement.



Alaska State Legislature

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

TO: House State Affairs Committee

FROM: David Finkelstein

DATE: March 25, 1992

SUBJECT: Possible amendments to HCS CSSB 185(FIN) am-H,
the Legislative Ethics Act.

I am working with the Senate to try to find a compromise between the House and Senate versions of the ethics bill. Listed below are some possible amendments to HCS CSSB 185(FIN) am-H to incorporate provisions from the Senate version. While we haven't yet reached an agreement with the Senate, I thought it would be helpful to give the committee an idea of what some of these changes would involve. Also attached is an additional list of provisions in the House version which don't fit under the Senate title.

1. Adopt Senate disclosure requirements for close economic associations. The Senate version keeps the current statutory requirements, plus requires that disclosure statements include sufficient detail. The House version only requires disclosure of financial relationships with lobbyists, but the commission is given the power to determine whether the economic association warrants restrictions. ✓
(House page 12, line 4. Senate page 5, line 15)
2. Adopt Senate restriction on the taking of an action which could substantially benefit or harm an entity with which a legislator or aide is negotiating for employment. ✓
(Senate page 4, line 23)
3. Adopt Senate restriction on lobbyists' influence on the introduction of bills. Current law prohibits a lobbyist from encouraging the introduction of a bill so that the lobbyist may be employed opposing the bill. The Senate version states that a lobbyist also may not encourage introduction of a bill for the purpose of being employed to secure its passage.
(Senate page 1, line 11)

4. Adopt Senate gift sections. The Senate version increases the value of acceptable gifts to \$100, but limits gifts from a single source to \$100/year. Both the Senate and House versions prohibit the acceptance of gifts from lobbyists during session, with some exceptions. The Senate bill also prohibits the acceptance of gifts from lobbyists' clients during the session, and states that a lobbyist may not give or facilitate a gift to a legislator or aide, other than food or beverage for immediate consumption, during the session. (House page 7, line 8. Senate page 5, line 18)

5. Adopt Senate limitation on lobbyists' ability to give loans to legislators and aides during the session. A lobbyist may not give or facilitate a non-standard loan during the session. The House version, as well as the Senate version, implicitly prohibits non-standard loans which are related to the recipient's legislative status. Such loans would probably be considered gifts exceeding the \$50 or \$100 limit. (Senate page 2, line 15)

6. Adopt Senate version of the ban on the use of state resources for political gain, but retain the House language restricting the use of state funds to distribute mass mailings immediately before an election. The Senate version prohibits the use of the facilities of public office with the intent to affect a candidate or campaign. The House version clarifies that nominal use, and the use of public information is acceptable. The House version allows the Legislative Council to recommend policies on the use of public resources for political purposes, for adoption by the ethics commission. (House page 2, line 30. Senate page 4, line 19)

7. Adopt Senate version regarding honoraria, plus the House clarification that the prohibition against honoraria does not prevent a legislator from holding a job which requires appearances or speech as part of the normal course of employment. The Senate version expressly permits teaching at a state-funded school or university. Otherwise, the House and Senate language is equivalent. (House page 8, line 13. Senate page 6, line 28)

8. Adopt the Senate provision stating that a member of the ethics commission may obtain access to closed confidential committee files only if the full committee determines by majority vote that the member has a need to know. (Senate page 8, line 18)

9. Adopt Senate post-legislative lobbying restrictions with the House clarification that the ban only applies to registered lobbying, and not to volunteer or representational lobbying and that the Commission may grant exceptions. The House version bans executive branch and legislative branch lobbying for one session. The Senate extends the ban for one year, but only to legislative lobbying. (House page 38, line 3. Senate page 13, line 13)

The following additional items need to be addressed if we decide to try to fit the bill within the Senate title:

Name Change of the Commission

The Senate title refers to the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics. In order to fit under the Senate title, the name of the Legislative Ethics Commission must be changed to the "Select Committee on Legislative Ethics".

Candidates for the Legislature

Reference to candidates for the legislature must be removed from the sections relating to financial disclosure and campaign fundraising during the legislative session. ✓

Legal Defense of Legislators

The sections of the bill which relate to the state-funded legal defense of legislators and legislative employees must be deleted. ✓

Items Related to Compensation

The provisions which relate to legislative office accounts and travel must be removed. ✓

The title of the House version, HCS CSSB 185(FIN) am-H is:

"An Act relating to current and former legislators and legislative employees, and candidates for the legislature; establishing a legislative ethics commission; and providing for an effective date."

The title of the Senate version, CSSB 185(JUD) am is:

"An Act relating to conduct of legislators, legislative employees, former legislators, former legislative employees, and lobbyists, and to the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics."