

ALASKA LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE FILES 1991-1992 8672
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City of Seldovia

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Seldovia, Alaska 99663

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March 26, 1991

Honorable Georgianna Lincoln
Alaska State Legislature
P.O. Box "V" (MS 3100)
Juneau, Alaska 99811

SUBJECT: House Bill No. 207

Dear Representative Lincoln:

Thank you very much for sponsoring HB 207. We support passage of it and are writing to all of the members of the referral committees in the affirmative.

Your Bill is one of key significance to the smaller, rural towns. Keep up the good work.

Very truly yours,

THE CITY OF SELDOVIA

Vern C McCorkle

Vern C McCorkle
City Manager

STATE OF ALASKA

WALTER J. HICKEL, GOVERNOR

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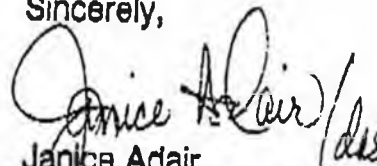
May 6, 1992

The Honorable Steve Frank
Alaska State Senate
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Senator Frank:

The Department of Environmental Conservation supports the intent of HB 207 which will permit first class cities with populations of less than 600 people to be eligible for the Village Safe Water grant program.

Sincerely,


Janice Adair
Assistant Commissioner

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DEC - Letter of Support

FISCAL NOTE

No. 1

Bill Version: HB 207

(H) Publish Date: 4/5/91

STATE OF ALASKA
1991 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Revision Date: _____ Department Affected: Community & Regional Affairs

Title: "An Act relating to the Village Safe Water Program." BRU: _____

Sponsor: Representative Lincoln Component: _____

Requestor: _____

COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

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

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

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

POSITIONS:

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

Estimate of current year impact: _____

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

Prepared By: Remond Henderson, Director *Remond Henderson* Phone: 465-4708

Division: Administrative Services Date: 4/1/91

Approved by Commissioner: Edgar Blatchford *Edgar Blatchford*

Agency: Community & Regional Affairs Date: 4/1/91

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

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1991 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

No. 2
Bill Version: HB 207
(H) Publish Date: 4/5/91

Revision Date:
Title: relating to village sewerwater
Sponsor: Rep. Lincoln
Requestor: Rep. Lincoln

Department Affected: DEC
BRU: Facilities, Construction and Operations
Component: Village Sewerwater

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	0.0	0.0	0.0
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND&STRUCTURES						
GRANTS,CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

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

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

Prepared by: Janice Adair
Division: Commissioner's Office

Phone: 465-2600
Date: 4/3/91

Approved by Commissioner: [Signature]
Agency: Dept. of Environmental Conservation

Date: 4/3/91

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

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HB 207

Revision Date: 11-May-92
Title: Village Safe Water Program
Sponsor: Rep. Lincoln
Requestor: Senate Finance

Department Affected: Environmental Conservation
BRU: Facilities Construction & Operation
Component: Village Safewater

COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 0 6 3 8

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	0.0	0.0	0.0
TRAVEL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CONTRACTUAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SUPPLIES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EQUIPMENT	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
LAND&STRUCTURES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
MISCELLANEOUS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
FUND SOURCE:						

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
FUND SOURCE:						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

Prepared by: Janice Adair
Division: Commissioner's Office

Phone: 465-5010
Date: 5/11/92

Approved by Commissioner: Janice Adair for John Sandoe
Agency: Environmental Conservation Date: 5/11/92

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

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HB 207

Revision Date: _____
Title: "An Act relating to the village
Safe Water Program"
Sponsor: Representative Lincoln
Requestor: _____

Department Affected: Community and Regional Affairs
BRU: _____
Component: _____
COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CAPITAL						

REVENUE FUND SOURCE:						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER FUND SOURCE:						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: _____

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

Prepared By: Remond Henderson, Director *Remond Henderson* Phone: 465-4708
Division: Administrative Services Division Date: 5/10/92

Approved by Commissioner: Edgar Blatchford *E. Blatchford*
Agency: Department of Community and Regional Affairs Date: 5/10/92

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

City of Seldovia

P.O. Drawer B
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March 26, 1991

Honorable Steve Frank, Chairman
Community & Regional Affairs Committee
Alaska State Legislature
P.O. Box "V" (MS 3100)
Juneau, Alaska 99811

SUBJECT: House Bill No. 207

Dear Senator Frank:


We are writing to let you know that we support HB 207, which revises the Village Safe Water Program and makes it possible for Seldovia to qualify for assistance.

This is an exceptionally helpful program and its passage is critical to the provision of safe water in Seldovia, as well as many other rural towns around Alaska. We urge you favorable consideration when it comes before your committee.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

THE CITY OF SELDOVIA


Vern C. McCorkle
City Manager

HB

263

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF LAW

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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April 1, 1991

The Honorable Walter J. Hickel
Governor
State of Alaska
P. O. Box AA
Juneau, Alaska 99811

RE: HCS CSSSSB 41(FIN) am H
Our file: 883-91-0002

Dear Governor Hickel:

At the request of your legislative liaison, Bruce Kendall, we have reviewed HCS CSSSSB 41(FIN) am H, titled "An Act making appropriations to the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for maintenance of class 3 roads and other purposes; amending certain appropriations; making appropriations; and providing for an effective date."

Contrary to the title of this bill, its main purpose is to supplement fiscal year 1991 appropriations for agency operations. See, Sec. 38 of the bill (appropriations lapse June 30, 1991). The title minimally satisfies the descriptive title rule of the Alaska Constitution, which provides: "[t]he subject of each bill shall be expressed in the title." Alaska Const. Art. II, Sec. 13. The general reference to the fact that the bill is "making appropriations" provides scant notice to legislators and the public as to the contents of the bill. However, appropriation bills are not limited by the single subject rule, which requires all non-appropriations bills to be confined to a single subject. Alaska Const. Art. II, Sec. 13. It is for this reason that we conclude that the title satisfies the descriptive title rule.

Section 8(b) of the bill makes an appropriation from the permanent fund dividend fund to reimburse the general fund for amounts expended to maintain public assistance benefits to permanent fund dividend recipients. The section refers to the "unlapsed" general fund appropriation initially made for this purpose. It would be more correct to have referred to the amount

expended or obligated from the general fund appropriation. It is doubtful that "unlapsed" is a word having an established legal meaning.

Sections 9 and 10 of the bill make appropriations for the "Fairbanks block grant program" and the "Anchorage block grant program." These "programs" are not established in permanent law. However, for a number of years amounts have been appropriated for these purposes to the same recipients. Former Governor Cowper vetoed the fiscal year 1991 appropriations and then allocated reduced amounts for these purposes from the general relief assistance budget request unit of the state operating budget. The legal problem with these grants is the lack of accountability to the executive branch of government. The legislature effectively removes executive branch agencies from grant administration. The necessary elements for a rational grant program -- eligibility criteria, accounting or other fiscal safeguards, and appeal procedures -- are not established in state law. Perhaps the municipalities of Anchorage and Fairbanks provide these basic safeguards by ordinance. However, in the absence of these safeguards on the state level, we must question whether the grants are made for a public purpose.

The Alaska Constitution requires that state money be expended only for public purposes. Alaska Const. Art. IX, Sec. 6. To satisfy the public purpose doctrine, the benefit to the public must be the direct and primary purpose of an expenditure. It is permissible if the expenditure also has an indirect private benefit. However, the reverse (direct private benefit with a secondary, indirect public benefit) constitutes a violation of the public purpose doctrine. If these appropriations are left intact, the grantees benefitting from these programs should be carefully reviewed to determine if the expenditures satisfy the public purpose doctrine.

Section 13 of the bill makes an appropriation to the Department of Law from the oil and hazardous substance release response fund (the so-called "470 Fund"), established in AS 46.08.010, for litigation expenses related to the Exxon Valdez oil spill. My office recently sent a letter to Representative Larson (copy attached) that sets out our opinion that 470 Fund money may be used to finance state litigation to recover past and future cleanup costs related to the Exxon Valdez spill. This fund may not be used, however, to finance litigation defending against suits filed against the state by third parties.

We note that sec. 40 of the bill (the effective date clause) contains what appears to be a manifest clerical error. The reference to "sec. 40" in that section should read "sec. 39." The

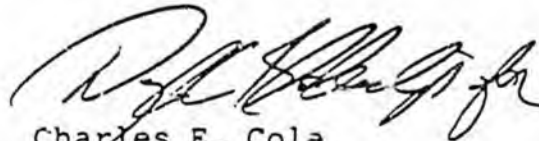
Hon. Walter L. Hickel, Governor
Our file: 883-91-0002

April 1, 1991
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revisor of statutes has the power under AS 01.05.031(b)(7) to correct such an error prior to printing the Acts of the legislature in permanent form.

There are no other legal issues raised by this bill that warrant your consideration prior to taking action.

Sincerely yours,



Charles E. Cole
Attorney General

CEC:JLB:jr

Alaska State Legislature

REPRESENTATIVE
MARK BOYER

VICE-CHAIRMAN
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House of Representatives

To: Senator Steve Frank, Chair
Senate Community and Regional Affairs Committee

From: Rep. Mark Boyer 

Date: April 14, 1992

Subject: HB 263, "An Act relating to human services community matching grants"

I am requesting that HB 263, "An act relating to human services community matching grants" be scheduled for a hearing by the Senate Community and Regional Affairs Committee at your earliest convenience.

The Anchorage and Fairbanks Health and Social Services Block Grants have been included in the Department of Health and Social Services budget for many years. However, primarily because these grants have no statutory base and require no local matching appropriation they remain easy targets for veto. This bill establishes a statutory basis for the grants and includes a community match requirement, beginning at 10 percent and increasing to 30 percent the second year and 50 percent the third and subsequent years. I believe the statutory recognition and the match requirement will allow the grants to receive the funding stability they need.

Anchorage and Fairbanks social services block grants have been included in the budget for many years. The Governor's proposed budget for FY 93 provides \$306,000 for Fairbanks and \$1,686,740 for Anchorage block grants.

The bill passed the House unanimously and has the support of the Anchorage and Fairbanks health and social services commissions.

Thank you for your consideration.

FAIRBANKS 20B

FISCAL NOTE

Bill Version: CSHB 263 (FIN)

(H) Publish Date: 4/8/92

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Revision Date: _____ Dept. Affected Health and Social Services
 Title: An act relating to human services community matching grants BRU: Anch. & Fbx. Social Services Block Grants
 Sponsor: Boyer, Ellis, Gruenberg, Kaponen, Ulmer, Component: Anchorage Social Services Block Grant
 Requestor: House Barnes, Sharp Fairbanks Social Services Block Grant
 COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 0286 and 0287

Expenditures/Revenues

(Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY93	FY94	FY95	FY96	FY97	FY98
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0.0	<199.4>	<398.8>	<398.8>	0.0	0.0
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	<199.4>	<398.8>	<398.8>	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING:

(Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	0.0	<199.4>	<398.8>	<398.8>	0.0	0.0
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	0.0	<199.4>	<398.8>	<398.8>	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME			
PART-TIME			
TEMPORARY			

Changes in SIS (S HB 263 (ERA))
reflect NO FISCAL CHANGE from the original
fiscal note. This fiscal note is appropriate.

4/23/92 Shiela
date Comte Aide (initial)

Estimate of current year impact:

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Per CSHB 263 (Fin), the Anchorage and Fairbanks Social Services Block Grants are to be converted to 50 percent matching grants. Implementation of the 50 percent match reductions will begin to occur in FY94, with a 10% reduction, and continue in FY95 and FY96 with a 20 percent reduction in each year, resulting in 30 percent and 50 percent in each year respectively. The expenditure figures shown above assumes a FY93 base of \$1,993.7. No program impact on state services is expected assuming the municipalities apply and qualify.

Prepared by: Deborah R. Wing, Director BRW
Division: Family and Youth Services

Phone: 465-3191

Date: April 7, 1992

Approved by Commissioner: Theodore A. Mala
Agency: HA Department of Health and Social Services

Date: 4-7-92

Distribution (by preparer):

Legislative Finance OMB
Legislative Sponsor Impacted Agency(ies)
Requestor

COMMITTEE COPY

STATE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 4/10/92

FURTHER: HES
Finance

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: 4/24/92

CRA Committee considered

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 263 (FINANCE)

"An Act relating to human services community matching grants; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends:

replace with S CS CS HB 263 (CRA)

or adopt previous CS ()

attaches amendment(s)

same title
 new title
 technical title change (HB only)

adopts Letter of Intent

further referral to the _____

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

NEW FISCAL NOTES: Dept/Date

zero fiscal notes _____

fiscal notes _____

appropriation--no fiscal note

DO PASS:

Law

Arthur J. King, Jr.

PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTES: Dept/Date

zero fiscal notes HSS 4/8/92

fiscal notes _____

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Mark Do Pass
Chair: Signature and Recommendation



Tom Fink,
Mayor

Municipality of Anchorage

Department of Health and Human Services

825 "L" Street
P.O. Box 196650 Anchorage, Alaska 99519-6650



April 7, 1992

Representative Mark Boyer
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Representative Boyer,

The Municipality of Anchorage Health and Human Services Department fully supports the effort to pass CSHB 263, which would formally establish a human services match program.

The Municipality of Anchorage has been receiving Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) allocations from the state since the early 1980's. Although the state contributions have been useful we never knew from one year to the next how much money we would receive or even if we would receive any money at all. This uncertainty created problems among the non-profit agencies who ultimately depend on this money to run their programs.

By codifying this program in the Alaska State Statues, most of the uncertainty will be eliminated. In addition, the bill provides needed guidance and direction to the program. These regulations will help both the state and the Municipality run the program more smoothly.

One detail which concerns me involves the local match requirement. The people of Anchorage already contribute a substantial amount of money to social services through both governmental and private organizations. The Municipal Department of Health and Human Services has an operating budget (excluding state and federal grants) of over \$10 million, which is primarily derived from taxes. \$461,480 of this went to 32 social service agencies as a "match" to the SSBG.

Many individuals and corporations also contribute to social service agencies through organizations such as the United Way. Last year the Anchorage chapter collected over \$6.42 million, one of the highest rates of giving in the country, and the same 32 agencies received \$2.4 million of these funds. Thus, the people of Anchorage, through the United Way and the local government, provide approximately 63 percent of the agency's funding not including additional funds each agency gathers itself.

Letters of Support

Representative Mark Boyer
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April 7, 1992

Although it appears that the committee substitute would permit this type of match we would like to be assured that this is indeed the case.

In conclusion, non-profit agencies play an important role in the delivery of health and social services in Anchorage. According to a survey conducted in 1987, non-profit agencies provided approximately 14 percent of all health and human services delivered in Anchorage. In some areas, such as emergency shelter and food, non-profits are the only providers of the service.

Utilization of non-profits is an efficient means of delivering needed social services. In most cases, non-profits can provide the service at a substantially lower cost than local or state governments. As an added benefit, non-profits raise millions of dollars in local contributions which would not otherwise be available.

CSHB 263 will help to strengthen the non-profit health and human services system so that it can fulfill its traditional role as a provider of services to the most needy citizens in Anchorage. Strengthening the Anchorage social service system will have positive benefits for the rest of the State as well since approximately 11 percent of the clients served by SSBG agencies are non-Anchorage residents.

Sincerely,



Helen D. Beirne, Ph.D., Director
Municipality of Anchorage
Department of Health and Human Services

**Municipality
of
Anchorage**



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(907) 343-4311

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ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY

February 26, 1992

Representative Johnny Ellis
Alaska State Legislature
P.O. Box V
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Representative Ellis:-

The Anchorage Assembly has requested that I write you expressing our support of Committee substitute for House Bill 263, "An Act relating to human services community matching grants; and providing for an effective date".

As you are aware, the Municipality of Anchorage has been the major advocate and user of the Social Services block grant since its conception through SB 168. Although only Fairbanks and Anchorage have received these funds, they have been used to assist residents from throughout the State when they have been in Anchorage and utilized the services of the many non-profit agencies who are granted the funds.

Anchorage is a very generous and giving community. We have generally exceeded the community goals for the United Way drives and other community giving programs. As I read the qualifying criteria, match money need not be a new cash outlay, but we would be allowed to count the \$6.5 million plus raised in this year's United Way campaign or even other State grants received by the Municipality. In this light, we are very supportive of this bill and its passage.

Sincerely,

Craig Campbell
Craig Campbell, Chairman
Anchorage Municipal Assembly

cc Mayor Tom Fink
Anchorage Municipal Assembly

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ARCTIC ALLIANCE FOR PEOPLE

April 17, 1992

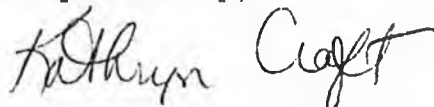
Senator Steve Frank
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

Dear Senator Frank,

I am writing on behalf of the Arctic Alliance for People, a coalition of approximately 35 social service organizations and 6 individual members, located in Fairbanks. We strongly endorse ~~HB 263~~. We urge the Senate Community and Regional Affairs Committee to support and pass HB 263.

Thank you for your time in this matter.

Respectfully,



Kathryn L.L. Craft
Arctic Alliance President

ARCTIC ALLIANCE FOR PEOPLE

4/8/92

Representative Mark Boyer/Interior Delegation
State Capital Building
Juneau, AK 99801

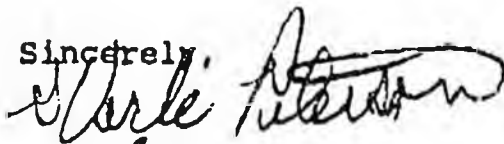
Dear Mark,

The Arctic Alliance for People would like to express its strong support for House Bill 263, concerning block grants.

These block grant funds are vital to the operation of social service agencies in the Fairbanks area. The dollars designated are multiplied by thousands of hours of volunteer work generated by these agencies. In our view, the loss of these funds would result in substantial increases in spending for government programs.

We appreciate your strong advocacy for this bill, as well as your on-going support of social services in the Fairbanks area.

Sincerely,



G. Verle Peterson
Vice-president, AAP



Mary Kay Brown, ACSW
Co-secretary, AAP

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FAIRBANKS HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION
REQUEST FOR FUNDING AND SCORING

	PROPOSAL SCORE	AGENCY REQUEST	CUMULATIVE TOTAL
Foster Grandparents/ Senior Companions	97.88	\$17,012	\$17,012
Hospice	95.50	\$10,000	\$27,012
Alaska Legal Services	95.50	\$50,000	\$77,012
Resource Center for Parents and Children	94.25	\$50,000	\$127,012
Alzheimer's Support Group	93.14	\$49,800	\$176,812
Salvatore Army - Youth Center	92.75	\$9,650	\$186,462
Salvatore Army - Medical/Dental	91.71	\$38,972	\$225,434
Deaf Community Services	91.50	\$31,028	\$256,462
Food Bank	90.00	\$15,000	\$271,462
Alaska Crippled Childrens Association	89.57	\$50,000	\$321,462
Interior Aids Association	88.29	\$45,226	\$366,688
WICCA - AV Program	87.57	\$15,804	\$382,492
Fairbanks Crisis Line	86.75	\$49,813	\$432,305
Literacy Council - Homeless	85.75	\$50,000	\$482,305
Big Brothers, Big Sisters	85.17	\$32,321	\$514,626
WICCA - Family Services Project	83.43	\$30,464	\$545,090
Literacy Council - Workplace	79.75	\$19,840	\$564,930
Alaska	77.67	\$31,522	\$596,452
Fairbanks Counseling and Adoption	77.14	\$41,245	\$637,697
Boy Scouts	76.25	\$49,601	\$687,298
Fairbanks Community Health Center	73.25	\$25,000	\$712,298
Fairbanks Native Association Comm. Patrol	68.25	\$13,981	\$726,279
Kila	66.67	\$49,999	\$776,278
	*	\$46,612	\$822,890

NOTE: * The KILA proposal was not complete and was not accepted for scoring
 The house budget currently has \$434,500 proposed for funding these projects
 The Senate budget currently has \$534,500 proposed for funding these projects

03-06-85-01-00 (0-60-30685-0287)

STATE OF ALASKA -- COMPONENT BUDGET SUMMARY

SALSFRMA 11:25 1/06/92

AGENCY: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
 CATEGORY: SOCIAL SERVICES

PROGRAM: FBX SOCIAL SVCS BLOCK GRANT
 SUB-PROGRAM:

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EXPENDITURES & FUNDING	FISCAL YEAR 1993												
	(01) FY91 ACT	(02) FY92AUTH	(03)	(04)	(23) FY93BASE	(24) FY93ADJB	(25) FY93 AGY	(07) GOVERNOR	(08)	(09) HOUSE	(10) SENATE	(11) C. C.	(12) BILLS
01 PERS. SERV.													
02 TRAVEL													
03 CONTRACTUAL													
04 COMMODITIES													
05 EQUIPMENT													
06 LANDS/BLDGS													
07 GRANTS, CLMS	216.0	306.3			306.3	306.3	306.3	306.3					
08 MISC.													
** TOTAL EXPEND	216.0	306.3			306.3	306.3	306.3	306.3					
1004 GEN FUND	216.0	306.3			306.3	306.3	306.3	306.3					
15 FULL TIME													
16 PART TIME													
17 TEMPORARY													
18 STAFF MONTHS													

Budget Summary

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STATE OF ALASKA -- COMPONENT BUDGET SUMMARY

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AGENCY: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
 CATEGORY: SOCIAL SERVICES

PROGRAM: ANCH SOCIAL SVCS BLOCK GRANT
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EXPENDITURES & FUNDING	FISCAL YEAR 1993												
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01 PERS. SERV.													
02 TRAVEL													
03 CONTRACTUAL													
04 COMMODITIES													
05 EQUIPMENT													
06 LANDS/BLDGS													
07 GRANTS, CLMS	984.0	1687.4			1687.4	1687.4	1687.4	1687.4					
08 MISC.													
** TOTAL EXPEND	984.0	1687.4			1687.4	1687.4	1687.4	1687.4					
1004 GEN FUND	984.0	1687.4			1687.4	1687.4	1687.4	1687.4					
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STATE OF ALASKA -- COMPONENT BUDGET SUMMARY

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AGENCY: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
 CATEGORY: SOCIAL SERVICES

PROGRAM: FBX SOCIAL SVCS BLOCK GRANT
 SUB-PROGRAM:

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EXPENDITURES & FUNDING	FISCAL YEAR 1991												
	(01) FY89 ACT	(22) FY90CONF	(03) FY90 RP	(04) FY90 SUP	(02) FY90AUTH	(25) FY91 AGY	(26) FY91 GOV	(08) GOV AMD	(09) HOUSE	(10) SENATE	(11) C. C.	(12) BILLS	(13) LEG.REC.
01 PERS. SERV.													
02 TRAVEL													
03 CONTRACTUAL													
04 COMMODITIES													
05 EQUIPMENT													
06 LANDS/BLDGS													
07 GRANTS, CLMS	437.5	437.5			437.5	437.5	437.5	437.5	437.5	537.5	537.5		
08 MISC.													
** TOTAL EXPEND	437.5	437.5			437.5	437.5	437.5	437.5	437.5	537.5	537.5		
09 I-A TRANSFER													
1004 GEN FUND	437.5	437.5			437.5	437.5	437.5	437.5	437.5	537.5	537.5		
15 FULL TIME													
16 PART TIME													
17 TEMPORARY													
18 STAFF MONTHS													

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STATE OF ALASKA -- COMPONENT BUDGET SUMMARY

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AGENCY: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
 CATEGORY: SOCIAL SERVICES

PROGRAM: ANCH SOCIAL SVCS BLOCK GRANT
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01 PERS. SERV.													
02 TRAVEL													
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05 EQUIPMENT													
06 LANDS/BLDGS													
07 GRANTS, CLMS	2410.6	2410.6			2410.6	2410.6	2410.6	2410.6	2410.6	2510.6		2510.6	
08 MISC.													
** TOTAL EXPEND	2410.6	2410.6			2410.6	2410.6	2410.6	2410.6	2410.6	2510.6		2510.6	
09 I-A TRANSFER													
1004 GEN FUND	2410.6	2410.6			2410.6	2410.6	2410.6	2410.6	2410.6	2510.6		2510.6	
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FAIRBANKS HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION

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The Health and Social Service Block Grants must be reinstated.

Every human services agency in Fairbanks has a wait list and is struggling under financial constraints to serve its existing clients. Agency personnel are acutely aware of the need to contain program costs, reduce administration overhead, and pursue alternative funding resources while simultaneously delivering services to an increasing number of needy local residents.

The Health and Social Services Block Grant is used as last resort funding for the highest priority health and social services needs, as defined by the 1988 update to the Fairbanks Needs Assessment Study. For FY 91, grants were awarded to agencies to provide food, shelter, physical care, protection, vocational training and rehabilitation for victims of child sexual abuse, domestic violence, alcohol and/or drug.

For the past four years, an average of 25 agencies in Fairbanks have requested funding. The number of fundable agencies (based on scoring) has always been \$200,000 to \$300,000 more than the funds available. This has discouraged agencies with creative programs from applying, and has denied funding for many meritorious requests.

In FY 91, a total of 24 agencies applied for last resort program funding. The Commission was only able to fund 15-1/2, all with scores exceeding 83%; another four agencies, representing \$142,000, scored above 75% but were denied funding due to lack of Block Grant monies.

The Block Grants meet the most basic and highly demonstrative health and social services needs of the Fairbanks community.

1. The Block Grant process is a model for the most efficient use of state monies possible. Operating as a part of the governor's budget, the monies passed directly from the Department of Health and Social Services to the communities they serve. An all volunteer commission evaluates and makes recommendations for allocation of funds.

The City of Fairbanks has continued to reduce its administrative fees; from 10% to 5% and now to 1% in FY 91. Each agency that applies for funding under the Block Grant must document substantial in-kind services and materials.

On an average, last year's successful applicants documented three dollars of service for every state dollar funded.

2. The Block Grant process does not add to the state's cost of operation. IN FACT, IT REDUCES STATE OPERATING COSTS. Grant monies are used to encourage existing agencies to develop creative programs that meet specific human needs, thus reducing potential costs of state civil/criminal proceedings or further overburdening existing state funded health and social services.
3. Governor Hickel has listed his four highest priorities as:

Reducing the administrative costs of government and investing in capital projects.
Investing in people.
Developing employment opportunities.
Creating healthy families.

Agencies requesting Block Grant monies respond in all four areas.

Programs are designed to meet basic human needs and to rehabilitate the mental well-being of individuals and families. Many agencies selected for funding provide specific counseling and training to enhance employability. With one exception, all agencies selected are wellness oriented. The long-range goal is to restore individuals and families to a healthy and productive state of living where the agency's services are no longer needed. **There is no greater investment in our people.**

4. Fairbanks is a catchment area. The Fairbanks Block Grant services the entire Interior, plus many residents of northern rural Alaska.

We are requesting full restoration of The Block Grant monies as a separate line item in the governor's budget for the Department of Health and Social Services. This Commission intends to satisfy the governor's request for a reduction in administrative costs and increased financial commitment from the municipality. We will work to:

1. Eliminate the remaining city 1% administrative fee to put 100% of the Block Grant monies into direct service.
2. Obtain Borough Assembly support for an ordinance assuming health and social service powers to be put before Fairbanks voters in October, 1991.

3. Support and increase use of the Borough Economic Development Center to provide grant sourcing and aid in grant writing for all local health and social service non-profit organizations.
4. Create and fund an Advocacy Office, through only private and/or local public monies, to help local agencies become more self-supporting.
5. Volunteer our time and expertise to the United Way's 1991 Needs Assessment Study which is being funded 100% from locally generated revenue.
6. Work with both the city and the borough to increase their support for human services. Again, with overburdened state agencies and wait-lists at most private local agencies, the documentable basic needs are still growing faster than the services to treat them.

Under separate cover, we are sending you an update of the FY 91 recipients, the current status of their finances, case load and projected impact on the Interior if these services are eliminated.

Thank you for all the time and effort you are investing in this critical need for our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sally Crawford". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Sally Crawford
Chairperson

POSITION PAPER
 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL 263 (FIN)

"An Act relating to human services community matching grants; and providing for an effective date."

The Department of Health and Social Services generally supports House Bill 263.

House Bill 263 creates a new community matching grant program to provide local social services in the two largest communities in Alaska. This program replaces the Anchorage and Fairbanks Social Services Block Grants which have been part of the Department of Health and Social Services budget for several years.

Creation of a local matching grant program is in keeping with the Governor's goal of reducing dependence on the State budget for services. A statutory basis for these programs will provide some certainty of funding while showing a clear State commitment for needed social programs. Using the block grant concept, as well as requiring local match, should also strengthen local involvement and commitment to these services as State dollars continue to decline. Reducing the State general fund share down to 50/50 match is consistent with both the administration's goal for community match and declining State resources.

1. The expenditure figures used for the fiscal note assume a FY93 base of \$1,993.7 with a 10% decline in FY94 <199.4>, another 20% in FY95 <398.8> with a final 20% reduction <398.8> in FY96 when the 50% match rate is achieved.
2. Changes in the amount authorized in FY93 for the Anchorage and Fairbanks Social Services Block Grant could impact the fiscal note.

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 Department of Health and Social Services

Anchorage

FY 92 SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT AWARD RECOMMENDATIONS

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AGENCY/PROGRAM	FY-91 Award	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	Recommended FY 92 Award
ABUSED WOMEN'S AID IN CRISIS	\$ 94,822	To provide services for abused women and children, batterers, and the general public. Services include: shelter, counseling and guidance to victims of abuse; counseling to batterers, including those referred by the courts; and community education. Only AWAIC offers services to an entire family group which is in a domestic violence crisis.	\$ 101,180
ACCESS ALASKA	\$ 24,725	Provision of Personal Care Attendants (PCA) to persons who have experienced a severe physical disability and fall within the low to moderate income level. Each PCA will assist the consumer in meeting his/her daily personal needs.	\$ -0-
ALASKA CHILDREN'S SERVICES	\$ 13,794	Provides early intervention for children experiencing emotional, behavioral and mental difficulties. As problem areas and goals are identified for children and their parents the child's school attendance and classroom behavior improves, parents are enabled to work more cooperatively with the school system, and their ability to utilize community resources in dealing with family problems is enhanced.	\$ 10,290
ALASKA LEGAL SERVICES	\$ 127,401	The grant will provide: a) legal assistance and advocacy to persons unable to afford representation regarding deprivation of basic shelter, food, health, and family care of essential resources; b) legal representation, advice and support to secure physical safety for victims of domestic violence; and, c) advocacy to disabled persons facing physical security discrimination through screening, providing representation or referral, and providing information to persons not needing representation.	\$ 89,810

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AGENCY/PROGRAM	FY-91 Award	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	Recommended FY 92 Award
ALASKA WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER - Employment Readiness	\$ 42,034	Provides a three tiered program consisting of counseling for barriers to employment, pre-employment training and job readiness skills, Job search, and acquisition and retention workshops. Coordination within AWRC and other social services agencies allows for recognition of various needs of the clients. The population this grant serves is adult Anchorage women with low and low/moderate incomes. Services provided to the target group through AWRC are not available through any other programs in Anchorage.	\$ 31,350
ALASKA WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER - Domestic Violence	\$ 36,027	AWRC is the only non-shelter based, low-fee program providing services to victims of domestic violence in Anchorage. AWRC provides immediate crisis intervention services and individual and group counseling. Basic safety and physical needs are addressed with each client as well as a lethality assessment. AWRC's counseling and advocacy services support the victim and are an essential component of an overall strategy of early intervention designed to reduce the incidence of domestic violence.	\$ 26,870
ALASKA WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER - New Dawn	\$ 69,425	AWRC's New Dawn program is a ten-bed Halfway House for women recovering from drug and/or alcohol abuse. New Dawn accepts women in recovery who are pregnant and New Dawn is the only halfway house in Alaska that accepts women and their children. New Dawn provides a drug-free structured therapeutic environment in which women and their children can live for up to a year. Through the coordination with AWRC's other programs, New Dawn clients are prepared to re-enter the community and be able to function as productive citizens and as effective parents.	\$ 51,780
ALASKA YOUTH & PARENT FOUNDATION	\$ 25,568	To partially fund Project Safe Place which is a comprehensive outreach/prevention program for the benefit of runaway youth in crisis and/or at risk. It provides a network of "safe places" located throughout the community where teens can go if they need help quickly.	\$ 19,070

AGENCY/PROGRAM	FY-91 Award	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	Recommended 92 Award
ALASKA AIDS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	\$ 24,900	The purpose of this program is two fold: to provide case management and program support for individuals needing AIDS-related care; and to provide transitional and residential housing as part of the case management for clients.	\$ 18,570
ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP	\$ 9,400	Provides salaries and operating costs to help families avoid "burnout" and sustain caregiving at home for Alzheimer's Disease victims.	\$ 8,300
AMERICAN RED CROSS	\$ 25,710	This program provides direct emergency assistance to families and individuals victimized by disasters such as fire. Services include: provision of essentials such as food, clothing, housing, household goods, medical care, transportation, occupational supplies, home repair, etc.; and information and referral as needed.	\$ 19,180
ANCHORAGE LITERACY PROJECT	\$ 22,431	This program will provide an opportunity for functionally illiterate and non-English speaking adults to acquire basic knowledge and skills. Services include: volunteer training; English language instruction on and off site; life skills and cultural transition training; and, community awareness.	\$ 24,460

AGENCY/PROGRAM	FY 91 Award	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	Recommended FY 92 Award
ANCHORAGE NEIGHBORHOOD HEALTH CENTER	\$ 172,219	Provides prenatal care, high risk pregnancy deliveries, physician inpatient care, immunizations, family planning counseling to adolescents, pap smear follow-ups, hypertension treatment and anemia screening to Anchorage residents living outside federally designated Medically Underserved Areas. Provides dental prevention, treatment and restorative services on a sliding fee scale.	\$ 167,460
ANCHORAGE CENTER FOR FAMILIES	\$ 338,600	To prevent child abuse, neglect, and family distress through a comprehensive program of prevention, intervention, treatment, and awareness. Services include: parent aid, intermission, crisis nursery, respite care, parent training therapeutic child care, parenting skills classes, parent support groups, clinical services, crisis counseling, and community education.	\$ 263,120
ASSOCIATION FOR RETARDED CITIZENS OF ANCHORAGE	\$ 16,157	To continue the community support network establishing a support system enabling adults who experience substantial disabilities to live independently.	\$ 12,050
ASSOCIATION FOR STRANDED RURAL ALASKANS	\$ 8,107	This program provides direct assistance in the form of transportation back to their homes in rural Alaska, emergency shelter funds, bus tokens/taxi fare for in-town travel and counseling on urban survival skills, for rural Alaskans who have come to Anchorage for medical problems and have become stranded here in Anchorage with no resources to return home.	\$ 6,050

AGENCY/PROGRAM	FY-91 Award	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	Recommended FY 92 Award
DEAN'S CAFE	\$ 189,262	Provides quality meals and daytime shelter for Anchorage poor and homeless people. This program also makes medical, employment and other social services referrals.	\$ 138,000
BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS	\$ 17,593	Provides positive adult friendship and role modeling for single parent youth, ages 6 - 16. Service includes: volunteer recruitment, career development activities, field trips, child abuse training, and on-going program evaluation.	\$ 15,500
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB Summer Program	\$ 16,143	Provides summer child care for children five to twelve years of age with emphasis on serving low-income and disadvantaged youth. A variety of core programs are available and include: social recreation, personal and leadership development, citizenship, physical and health development, cultural enrichment and environmental education.	\$ 15,390
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB School Age Child Care	\$ 49,531	Provides a well supervised and developmentally appropriate School Age Child Care program for children five to twelve years old. A variety of core programs are available and include: social recreation, personal and educational development, citizenship and leadership development, health and physical education, cultural enrichment and outdoor environmental education.	\$ 49,710

AGENCY/PROGRAM	FY-91 Award	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	Recommended FY 92 Award
CAMP FIRE, ALASKA COUNCIL School Age Child	\$ 242,950	Provides a School Age Child Care program for children during the school year. The program will be operated at different elementary school sites in the Anchorage School District as follows: Abbott Loop, Airport Heights, Chinook, Chugach, Northwood, Nunaka Valley, Ravenwood, Roger's Park, Russian Jack, Sand Lake, Chugiak, Denali, Fire Lake, Inlet View, Homestead, Lake Otis, North Star, Scenic Park, Spring Hill, Susitna, Turnagain, and other schools as may be selected.	\$ 198,390
CAMP FIRE, ALASKA COUNCIL Summer Program	\$ 33,579	To provide full-day child care for elementary school age children during the summer vacation months. Program activities will include opportunities for participants to develop or increase skills in: leisure time activities; self development; decision making; and, inter-personal relations Emphasis is on low-income families.	\$ 36,090
CAMP FIRE, ALASKA COUNCIL Drop In Program	\$ 66,276	Serves children in a community center program at Loussac Manor Community Center, Mt. View Community Center, Fairview Recreation Center, and Woodside Village. The program will provide skill development, self-development and social activities in a safe environment.	\$ 63,770
CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES St. Frances House	\$ 8,809	This program serves the emergency needs of families and individuals through the provision of food, clothing, rent and utility assistance, medical bills assistance and food baskets to the low income population.	\$ 14,470

AGENCY/PROGRAM	FY-91 Award	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	Recommened FY 92 Award
CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES Clare House	\$ 137,500	This program provides temporary emergency shelter to women and women with children; assists clients in securing permanent housing, acquiring job skills training and employment; and refers clients to appropriate social services agencies.	\$ 112,550
CHALLENGE ALASKA	-0-	The purpose of this project will be to provide transportation services to disabled individuals as they relate to their social and recreational needs, utilizing two wheelchair vans year round and one bus during the summer.	\$ -0-
CHUGIAK SENIOR CITIZENS	\$ 43,140	This program provides services to the elderly in the Chugiak/Eagle River area. Services include meals, nutritional information, home delivered meals, information and referral, transportation and outreach services.	\$ 32,180
FOOD BANK OF ALASKA	\$ 43,140	This agency collects surplus and unmarketable food items for redistribution to Anchorage area non-profit agencies who provide health and human services to the needy. They also increase public community support and awareness of hunger through publishing a newsletter, public service announcements, and gaining support for canned food drives.	\$ 30,580

AGENCY/PROGRAM	FY-91 Award	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	Recommended FY 92 Award
HOPE COTTAGES	\$ 21,111	The vocational program will help to improve the employment potential of adults and adolescents diagnosed as autistic, or who manifest severe/profound mental retardation with a secondary diagnosis of cerebral palsy.	\$ 19,990
HOSPICE	\$ 26,195	To provide hospice care and support services to terminally ill persons and their families; education and awareness programs to health and social service providers/general public. Services include: hospice care volunteer training and direct service; bereavement services for family members; information and referral; and, workshop presentations.	\$ 19,780
LITTLE BEAR'S PLAYHOUSE	\$ 4,496	Provides School Age Child Care services to children at the Girdwood Elementary School.	\$ 4,490
LOUISE RUDE CENTER	\$ 29,681	To provide interpreter referral services for deaf and hearing impaired individuals and community agencies. Services include: 24-hour access to sign language interpreters; community education services; and, centralized information and referral.	\$ 27,960

AGENCY/PROGRAM	FY-91 Award	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	Recommended FY 92 Award
MENTAL HEALTH CONSUMERS	-0-	Provides peer support, advocacy and outreach to people currently suffering from mental illness. This project is a contingency fund set aside for those who are having an income crisis and are therefore unable to provide their basic needs such as food, shelter, clothing and medication.	\$ -0-
OLDER PERSON'S ACTION GROUP	\$ 12,379	Provides salaries and operating costs in the provision of hearing aids and eyeglasses to low income and low-moderate income senior citizens.	\$ 14,440
PLANNED PARENTHOOD	\$ 16,453	Provides partial funding for a comprehensive health care program that addresses reproductive and maternal/child health issues and concerns. The services provided will integrate medical, educational and counseling services to provide the most effective prevention efforts possible.	\$ 12,350
PROGRAMS FOR INFANTS AND CHILDREN	-0-	This program will provide early intervention and support services to 12 - 15 children age birth to three who experience disabilities, and their families.	\$ -0-

AGENCY/PROGRAM	FY-91 Award	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	Recommended FY 92 Award
PROVIDENCE HOSPITAL Case Management Program	\$ 12,353	This program provides services to people age 60 and over with multiple functional impairments or dementia and who have inadequate support systems, and provides outreach to individuals with multiple needs.	\$ 9,210
PROVIDENCE HOSPITAL Medically Indigent	\$ 27,655	This program provides skilled nursing, physical, occupational, and speech therapies; medical social work; and Home Health Aide services to the medically indigent.	\$ 32,890
SALVATION ARMY, BOOTH HOME - Maternity	\$ 79,556	This program provides maternity outpatient services to low-income women and pregnant adolescents. Services include: prenatal medical care; parenting and childbirth classes; individual, couple/family and group counseling; and, medical care at delivery.	\$ 59,340
SALVATION ARMY, BOOTH HOME - Newborn Nursery	\$ 19,573	This program provides affordable child care services to newborn children of teenage mothers while the mothers continue their education in the Anchorage School District Whaley Center, when alternate child care is not available.	\$ 17,880

AGENCY/PROGRAM	FY-91 Award	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	Recommended FY 92 Award
SALVATION ARMY McKinney House	\$ 226,500	This agency provides emergency assistance of basic human needs to the poor and homeless through the provision of information and referral, meals, lodging, utility assistance, emergency transportation, counseling and group self-help sessions, and job referrals.	\$ 170,710
SALVATION ARMY Meals On Wheels	\$ 33,963	This program provides for the delivery of home delivered meals to low-income, frail, elderly individuals unable to reach congregate meal sites.	\$ 43,970
SALVATION ARMY Dental Program	\$ 54,137	This program will provide low-income seniors with initial and follow-up dental care.	\$ 50,780
STANDING TOGETHER AGAINST RAPE - Sexual Abuse of Children	\$ 63,617	This grant will provide salaries and operating costs for crisis intervention and follow-up services to sexually abused children and their families.	\$ 47,450

HISTORY OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT

The Municipality first received SSBG funds in 1981 through SB 168. Although this bill primarily dealt with the appropriation of capital funding on a per capita basis to municipalities and unincorporated parts of Alaska, each recipient had the option of spending some small portion of these funds for social services. The Municipality of Anchorage spent 3% of the total \$135,814,100 (4.5 million) on grants to social services agencies.

In 1982 and 1983 the capital budgets (HB 148 [\$1.9 million] and HB 105 [\$2.9 million] respectively) continued block grant funding with line item appropriations. The SSATF reviewed grant proposals and made recommendations regarding the use of those funds. Final funding decisions were made by the Assembly in late November or early December in those respective years. The grant to non-profit agencies started January 1st and ran concurrently with the Municipal fiscal year.

During 1984 the SSBG of \$2.9 million was placed in the State Operating Budget (HB 511) for the first time. State Operating funds must be spent during the state's fiscal year. Therefore, 1984 and 1985 funding had to be adjusted to allow expenditures to conform to the state fiscal year (July 1 through June 30). Funding for all social service agencies which received money through these block grants expired June 30, 1986.

In 1986, due to declining oil revenues, the SSATF had to meet three different times to adjust their recommendations to meet reduced funding, with the final state grants totaling \$2,410,600 in HB 500, and \$425,000 in HB 574 (Child Abuse Prevention/Treatment Grant).

The legislature in 1987 again appropriated \$2,410,600 for the Anchorage SSBG, but without any additional funds for child abuse/treatment grants as had been done in 1986. Through the re-programming of unused federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, municipal contribution of operating funds, and residual funds from HB 574, the SSATF had a total of \$3,003,360 which they recommended awarding in 46 separate grants.

In 1988 and 1989 the State funding remained at \$2,410,600, but without the re-programmed CDBG funds, the SSATF had only \$2,843,620 in 1988 and \$2,821,460 in 1989 resulting in reductions in almost all service areas.

The 1990 legislature appropriated \$2,510,600 through HB 500 for the Anchorage Social Services Block Grant (SSBG). In July, 1990, as part of his line-item vetoes, Governor Cowper vetoed the SSBG, severely impacting the Anchorage health and human services agencies. In order to mitigate this impact, Governor Cowper later made direct grants to these agencies for only six months of the SSATF recommended funding. In April, 1991, the Legislature provided additional funding in the amount of \$984,000 in a supplemental appropriation. The Municipality made up the balance of the required funding which had been recommended by the SSATF for FY-91.

The 1991 legislature approved \$2,510,600 for the SSBG in FY 92 which Governor Hickel reduced to \$1,687,400. With the addition of Municipal funds and federal Community Development Block Grant Public Services funds, a total of \$2,148,880 was awarded to 32 non-profit agencies. Additionally these 32 agencies received \$2,382,000 from the local United Way Agency.

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SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 5/7/92

FURTHER: Finance

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CRA Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 387 (RESOURCES) am

"An Act relating to accrediting engineers for inspections of wastewater systems for single-family homes and duplexes; and relating to the accreditation of engineers and environmental consultants for the assessment and cleanup of sites contaminated with hazardous substances."

and recommends:

[X] replace with SCS CS AB 387 (CRA)
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[] individual recommendations

NEW FISCAL NOTES: Dept/Date
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PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTES: Dept/Date
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OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

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STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. SCS CSHB 387 (CRA)

Revision Date: 11-May-92
 Title: Accrediting Engineers
On-Lot/Site Assessment
 Sponsor: Rep. Boyer
 Requestor: (S) CRA

Department Affected: Environmental Conservation
 BRU: Environmental Quality
 Component: Domestic Wastewater/Water Treatment

COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 1 | 4 | 2 | 6

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	0.0	0.0	0.0
TRAVEL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CONTRACTUAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SUPPLIES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EQUIPMENT	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
LAND&STRUCTURES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
MISCELLANEOUS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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REVENUE						
FUND SOURCE:						

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
OTHER P/R						
FUND SOURCE:	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

Prepared by: Janice Adair
 Division: Commissioner's Office

Phone: 465-5010
 Date: 5/11/92

Approved by Commissioner: *Janice Adair for John Sander*
 Agency: Environmental Conservation Date: 5/11/92

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contractor for sewage disposal systems or a member of a qualified inspection service to determine if the sewage disposal system was operating in a satisfactory manner at the time of inspection and if the sewerage system is considered adequate to dispose of all domestic wastes in a manner which will not create a nuisance or endanger the public health. (If the system has not been in use for thirty days, a dye test is recommended.)

- f. There must also be an inspection of the water system and a certificate from a local health authority or a State EPA approved laboratory to determine if the system was operating in a satisfactory manner at the time of inspection, and if the quality of water supply meets the local health or State drinking water standards based on results of:

1. Bacteriological analysis of the water supply source.
2. Chemical analysis of the water supply source where there is a history of ground water contamination in the area.

NOTE: Only the laboratory may perform the sampling. A third party is not acceptable.

3. The well construction must meet the requirements of the health authority.

- D. Suitability of Soil. The soil and subsoil conditions of the site must be considered. The type and permeability of the soil, the location of the water table, surface drainage conditions, compaction, and the existence of rock formations are among the physical features that are important in the analysis of the site. Effects of the adverse features of the adjoining land must also be observed.

12-17. SHARED WELLS. To be eligible for consideration for mortgage insurance, any shared well must:

- A. Serve existing properties which cannot feasibly be connected to an acceptable public or community water supply system.
- B. Serve proposed construction only if:
 - 1) It is infeasible to serve the housing by an acceptable public or community water system; and

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domestic needs and for auxiliary uses, such as lawn and garden maintenance. Possible sources of pollution of the water from the subject and adjoining properties must be considered.

- b. Individual sewage disposal systems may be acceptable when connection to a public or community system is not feasible and the site conditions are such that the individual system can be expected to function satisfactorily. Examination of neighborhood conditions is necessary to assist in this determination. Local health department approval is required.

2) Existing Construction Properties.

- a. Individual wells should be checked to ascertain the distance from the septic system, ease of maintenance and repair of the well, and adequacy of the water pressure. The distance from the well to the septic system must be in accordance with 24 CFR 200.926d (HUD Handbook 4910.1, Appendix K). A well located within the foundation walls of a dwelling is not acceptable except in arctic or subarctic regions. The appraiser should turn on several cold water faucets in the house to check water pressure and flow, letting the system run during the time of the inspection. Flushing a toilet at the same time will also reveal any weakness in water pressure.
- b. Individual sewerage systems may be acceptable where soil conditions are satisfactory for proper installation and absorption of the effluent. After checking the interior of the house and water pressure, the appraiser should then check the outside area for any evidence of subsurface sewage failure, and/or evidence of failures in the surrounding neighborhood.
- c. Failure of individual sewerage systems on adjoining properties may be cause for rejection of the subject property due to the health hazards involved.
- d. If either system in the subject property is failing, the property should be rejected with a requirement for a repair proposal acceptable to local and State authorities and HUD.
- e. If the home is not occupied and the systems have not been in use for several months, an inspection of the sewerage system must be made by a State licensed sanitation or civil engineer, a State licensed

- **Zoning classification and compliance.** The appraisal report must accurately state the zoning classification and whether the use of the subject property complies with the reported classification. The use of the mortgaged premises must conform to applicable zoning and use restrictions and enable the mortgage to qualify as a home mortgage, as defined in section 0212. Freddie Mac may, however, purchase a home mortgage secured by property that does not conform to applicable zoning and use restrictions, provided that the property is a legal use (commonly referred to as legal nonconforming use). The appraiser must comment on any adverse effect of any nonconforming use when estimating the market value and marketability of the property.

Freddie Mac's policy on legal nonconforming condominium projects is found in section 2001.

Zoning requirements cannot be the basis for classifying a project as a PUD. (See section 2101 for the definition of a PUD.)

- **Utilities.** The utilities serving the subject property must meet community standards. In addition, the comparable sales should have utilities similar to the subject property. When differences in utilities exist between the subject property and the comparable sales, any adjustments made to the comparable sales, or lack of adjustments, for significant differences must be explained in the comments area. In addition, the appraisal report must evaluate the effect these differences have on the subject property's value or marketability.
- **Streets.** The subject property must have legally appropriate ingress and egress. The streets serving the subject property must be maintained in a manner that generally meets community standards. In addition, the comparable sales should have street maintenance similar to the subject property. When differences exist between the ownership or maintenance of the subject property's streets and the comparable sale's streets, adjustments made to the comparable sale, or lack of adjustments, for the differences must be explained in the comments area. In addition, the appraisal report must evaluate the effect these differences have on the subject property's value or marketability.
- **Environmental influences and conditions.** The appraiser must consider any known environmental influences or conditions, make any appropriate adjustments to market value to reflect any such influences or conditions, and comment on the effect the influences or conditions have on the marketability or value of the subject property. Examples of adverse environmental influences or conditions include, but are not limited to,

Selling

Section 403.06

On the other hand, if the current improvements clearly do not represent the highest and best use of the site as an improved site, the appraiser must so indicate on the appraisal report. In such cases, we will not purchase or securitize a mortgage that is secured by the subject property. *

Section 403.03 Utilities

For a mortgage to be eligible for purchase or securitization, the security property's utilities must meet community standards and be accepted generally by area residents. If public sewer and/or water facilities—those that are supplied and regulated by the local government—are not available, then community or private well and septic facilities must be available and utilized by the subject property. If community facilities are used, the owners of the subject property must have the right to access the system's facilities, which must be viable on an on-going basis. Generally, private well or septic facilities must be located on the subject site. However, off-site private facilities are acceptable if the inhabitants of the subject property have the right to access them and if there is an adequate, legally binding agreement for their access and maintenance. *

If there is market resistance to an area because of environmental hazards or any other conditions that affect well, septic, or public water facilities, the appraiser must comment on the effect of the hazards on the subject property's marketability and value.

Section 403.04 Streets

The property should front on a publicly dedicated and maintained street that meets community standards and is accepted generally by area residents. If the property is on a community-owned or privately owned and maintained street, there should be an adequate, legally enforceable agreement for maintenance of the street. A street that does not meet city or state standards frequently requires extensive maintenance, and property values may decline if it is not regularly maintained. If a property fronts on a street that is not typical of those found in the community, the appraiser must comment on the effect of that location on the subject property's marketability and value.

Section 403.05 The Lot

The topography, shape, size, and drainage of the lot are all equally important. Steep slopes that cause erosion, difficulty in maintaining a lawn, or difficult access to the property itself or to a garage are generally unfavorable conditions. Drainage must be away from the improvements to avoid the collection of water in or around them. The presence of sidewalks, curbs and gutters, street lights, and alleys depends on local custom—if they are typical in the commu-

AHFC Manual

.06 Bathrooms

All dwellings must include at least one full bath (sink, toilet and tub). On newly constructed duplex through four-plex, all units must include a full bath, and on existing properties the owner's unit must have a full bath and the other units must include at least a three-quarters bath.

If the entrance to the only bath in a structure is through a bedroom, or if there is no bath on the same level as the bedrooms, functional obsolescence must be considered on the appraisal report. In addition, AHFC will usually not consider maximum financing.

.07 Utilities/Well and Septic Systems

- A. All properties must be connected to public utilities, if available. An escrow may be established (1-1/2 times estimate) if the property cannot be connected due to weather conditions.
- B. On properties served by on-site private utilities, the Seller/Service must retain in their file a current, unconditional approval from the appropriate Department of Environmental Quality or an acceptable engineer's report. AHFC will accept DEC approvals or engineer's reports up to six months old at time of closing provided the approvals were completed for the sale or transaction being financed by AHFC. The engineer's report must approve the adequacy and health and safety of the system. A new test must be completed for each sale transaction when the loan is sold to AHFC. This requirement applies to all loans including refinance loans except for VA Slam Dunk and FHA Streamlined Refinances of existing AHFC loans. Refinance loans will not require hook-up to public water or sewer, if available. However, if public hook-up is desired by the borrower, the loan may be considered as a refinance for home improvement.

To insure that the State authority spacing requirements between fuel tanks and water wells have been met, if the subject property has a fuel tank on site, the lender must retain a copy of Application for On-Site Water and Sewer Approval. The application should show the separation distance between the well casing and the fuel tank. The lender should check other sources such as the as-built survey to verify the correct separation distance. Should there be a conflict of the separation distance from any source, the lender should confer with the approval authority to determine the validity of any approval. This documentation does not need to be sent to AHFC, but it must be retained in the lender's file.

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- b. Have capacity in the sewage collection system and treatment plant to adequately serve the properties in the development.
 - c. Have organizational documents which assure continuity of service at reasonable rates as required in HUD Handbook 4075.12 Rev.
 - d. If a private system operated for profit, be regulated by the State Public Utility Commission or have a Trust Deed of Third Party Beneficiary Agreement as specified in HUD Handbook 4075.12 Rev.
- 3) Farmers Home Administration approval of water and/or sewage systems is sufficient for eligibility on individual cases where both agencies are involved.
 - 4) Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws for water and sewerage systems owned by property owner associations or cooperatively owned systems will also be acceptable for assuring continued service and reasonable rates if approved by the Farmers Home Administration.
 - 5) Whenever public or community facilities are within a reasonable distance from the property, a connection must be made to these utilities. However, if the cost to connect to it would cause a financial hardship, this requirement may be waived.
 - 6) Field Offices should maintain a list of all approved community systems for distribution to appraisers and Direct Endorsement underwriters.
 - 7) More detailed information concerning central water and sewer systems may be found in HUD Handbook 4075.12 Rev.
- c. Individual Systems are owned and maintained by the homeowner but subject to compliance with requirements of the local or State health authority having jurisdiction.
- 1) Proposed Construction Properties.
 - a. Individual water supply systems may be acceptable when connection to a satisfactory public or community system is not feasible and there is assurance of a continuing adequate supply of safe potable water for

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12-16. WATER AND SEWAGE SYSTEMS. There are three types of water and sewer systems which may be acceptable to serve a dwelling:

- A. A public system which is owned, operated and maintained by the city, county or local unit of government with power of taxation or assessment. This system is most preferred for safety and reliability.
- B. A community system, which is a central system, owned, operated and maintained by a private corporation or a non-profit property owners association.

1) For both proposed and existing construction community water systems must:

- a. Have current water supply permit from the local Health Department with evidence that the water supply:
 - 1. Meets State Drinking Water Standards for quality and
 - 2. Provides sufficient quantity to supply peak demands in the development.
- b. Be in compliance with requirements of the local or state Health Authority. Deficiencies in the water system should not adversely affect the health of the consumers, the acceptability of the quality of the water for all household purposes nor provide for less than the quantity of water required in the development.
- c. Have organizational documents providing for ownership and operation which meet requirements of HUD Handbook 4075.12 Rev. to assure continuity of service at reasonable rates.
- d. Private systems operated for profit must be under jurisdiction of State Public Utility Commission or have a Trust Deed of Third Party Beneficiary Agreement as per HUD Handbook 4075.12 Rev.

2) A Community Sewer System must:

- a. Be in compliance with requirements of the Health Authority having jurisdiction for satisfactory operation of the sewage treatment plant and discharge of treated wastes.

(2-5.A.)

- 2) Sewage disposal system.
 - a. Provide a statement that the permitted individual sewage disposal system, with proper maintenance, can be expected to function satisfactorily and is unlikely to create an unsanitary condition; and
 - b. Show how many bedrooms the sewage disposal system is designed for and whether there is or is not a garbage disposal.

The HUD Field Office or the DE Lender must include a Specific Condition on Form HUD 92800.5B (in addition to item E on the back of the form that ensures acceptable installation according to accepted exhibits). Obtain a statement from the local health authority that if a water-supply system is used, that the quality of water is satisfactory for human consumption.

B. Location Map of property.

C. Plot Plan. Show these additional items (see paragraph 2-2.A. and Appendix 1):

- 1) Lot lines and all improvements;
- 2) Topography;
- 3) Location of septic tank, distribution box, absorption field or bed, seepage pits, and other essential parts of sewage system;

Holding tanks are not acceptable on newly constructed properties.

- 4) Location of well, service lines and other essential parts of water supply system, including well casing seal;
- 5) Distance to individual well from the dwelling, septic field and property line. Also show distance of well to individual well and septic systems on adjacent properties;

(2-4.C.)

- 4) Identification of each lot by number;
- 5) Elevations according to individual plot plan, including bench mark and datum or, in lieu of finish grade elevations, contours of proposed finish grading may be submitted. Contour intervals selected will be appropriate to the topography of the site;
- 6) Lot grading will be shown by indicating protective slopes and approximate location of drainage swales; and
- 7) Location of drainage outfall if any drainage is not to a street.

Special requirements by HUD Field Office may be necessary for grading plans, specifications and engineers certifications (79-G). See paragraph 2-2.B. and 2-2.F.

- D. Floor Plans, Elevations, Sections, and Details.
Submit for each plan type (see paragraph 2-2 for scale and details).

Optional elevations to a basic plan can be shown at a scale not less than $1/8" = 1' - 0"$.

When the Schedule of Options is used, provide necessary exhibits.

- E. Description of Materials. See paragraph 2-3.

2-5. INDIVIDUAL WATER SUPPLY AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS.
Provide:

- A. A Written Opinion by the Health Authority.

- 1) Water-supply system.

Give the most recent record of failure of wells in the immediate vicinity to furnish an adequate supply of water.

Alaska State Legislature

REPRESENTATIVE
MARK BOYER

VICE CHAIRMAN
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To: Senator Steve Frank, Chair
Community and Regional Affairs Committee

From: Rep. Mark Boyer *MB*

Date: May 8, 1992

Subject: Request to hear HB 387

I am requesting that HB 387, An Act relating to accrediting engineers for inspections of waste water systems for single-family homes and duplexes", be scheduled for a hearing or waived from the Community and Regional Affairs Committee.

The State Department of Environmental Conservation has terminated the certification of wells and septic systems for one and two family dwellings as of February, 1992. While the Department continues to assert authority for larger units, it wishes to discontinue the certification procedures for one and two family units.

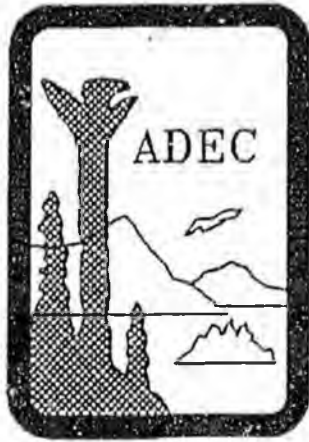
The DEC proposal to cease agency certification could force ill equipped lending institutions to certify that the environmental quality standards for on-site systems are met. This could increase the cost of originating new loans.

HB 387 requires the DEC to develop criteria for accrediting engineers who inspect domestic waste water systems. This action will effectively place the responsibility of reviewing systems with the private sector and will satisfy a mortgage industry requirement for certification of a system's adequacy by a health authority.

The bill has the support of the DEC, AHFC, Alaska Mortgage Bankers Association, and the Alaska Association of Realtors.

Thank you for your consideration.

FAIRBANKS 20B



Department of Environmental Conservation

POSITION PAPER

BILL NO: CSHB 387 (Res)

APPROVED: *David Allen*

TITLE: Accrediting Engineers

DATE: 4-30-92

The Department of Environmental Conservation supports CSHB 387 (Res).

CSHB 387 (Res) would allow the Department of Environmental Conservation to certify that professional registered engineers were knowledgeable about the Department's wastewater regulations for the purposes of providing lending institutions with the assurance they need that an on-lot sewer system meets the design criteria established in those regulations.

The Department's current regulations require an engineering report for on-lot systems for triplexes and larger buildings. Single family homes and duplexes are not required to have such an engineering report. However, lending institutions have asked that the Department, as the state's health authority, certify that an engineering report prepared for any size structure meets the Department's regulatory requirements.

To meet the lending industry's concern, the Department conducted a familiarization seminar to provide private sector registered engineers with information on the subject regulations. However, it was learned that the secondary market, where many banks sell their mortgages, require a sign-off by the local health authority. In Alaska, that would be DEC. CSHB 387 (Res) would allow DEC to provide an accreditation to private registered engineers that would also meet the requirement of the secondary financial market. For this reason, the Department supports this provision.

The Resources Committee Substitute would also establish a similar program for registered engineers and qualified environmental consultants for assessment and cleanup of sites contaminated with hazardous substances. Generally, the substance will be a petroleum based product, such as would be found at an underground storage tank site.

There are a number of contaminated sites in Alaska. However, many of these sites are low risk as to public health and welfare. The Department would be able to develop a program to certify registered engineers and environmental consultants are familiar with the Department's regulations on hazardous substance assessment and cleanup. The Department believes such a program will significantly increase the number of contaminated site cleanups around the State. The Department strongly supports this provision.



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Representative Cliff Davidson
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Dear Mr. Davidson:

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AAR supports DEC proceeding with their plan of private professional engineers performing the certification process. AAR urges the Department of Environmental Conservation to proceed as soon as possible with the request to adopt regulations concerning the certification program of professional engineers, and have these regulations in place by April 15, 1992.

AAR seeks DEC's support in passing H.B. 387 by Representative Boyer of Fairbanks; this bill is necessary for stability of the home loan process for the general public. It takes the early politics out of a process in which politics do not belong.

Respectfully,

Bob Ingalls
Member, Alaska Association of Realtors





Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House ^{Community &} ~~Committee~~ - Regional committee name
 committee on HB 387 , dated 1-23-92 affairs
 bill/subject

The Alaska Bankers Association endorses passage of CS HB 387 for the following reasons as a result of a survey of our members held in November, 1991.

1. Government has the sole responsibility for monitoring safe water and sewage, whether by statute or as a duty to the population.
2. Mortgage bankers have no technical training in the review of engineers reports and increased liability in this area will be a part of the bankers concern if they require certification of these systems prior to closing a loan.
3. Our secondary market investors currently require government certification prior to purchasing these loans. Failure to have this accomodation will result in a loss of the secondary market and limit access to home mortgages for consumers.

I had asked to testify today, but apparently was too late in my request. Thanks to Representative Boyer and his staff for their efforts.

Signed: [Signature]
 Testifier
Alaska Bankers Association
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February 13, 1992

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Alaska House of Representatives
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Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Glenda Feeken'.

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the suspension of On-Lot Well and Septic Certifications by the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation is currently being considered, and,

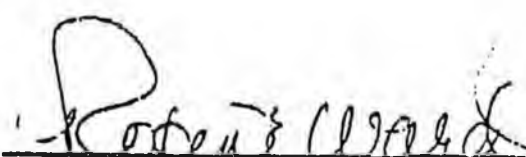
WHEREAS the Building Industry Association of Anchorage has grave concerns regarding the withdrawal of state oversight on an issue which is clearly related to the health and safety of Alaskans, and

WHEREAS it seems inappropriate to place the responsibility for health standards in the hands of private enterprise when the expertise to ensure compliance is currently in place in the state system, and

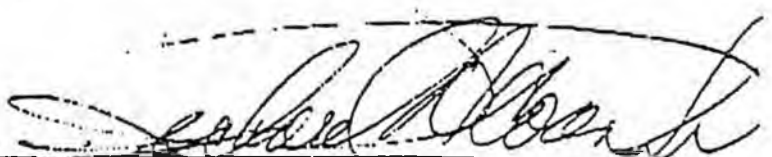
WHEREAS the state does not have to fund this program when users pay a fee for the inspections so the program is not cost prohibitive,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the current approval system using the State of Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation for on-lot well and septic certifications is the most economical and efficient means of addressing this health and safety issue in home ownership.

Dated: This 16th day of January 1992.



Robin E. Ward
President



Richard A. Coan, Sr.
Secretary

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February 12, 1992

John A. Sandor, Commissioner
Department of Environmental Conservation
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Dear Commissioner Sandor:

The Kenai Peninsula Builders Association requests the continuation of DEC oversight of on-lot certifications until such a time that building industry representatives have had an opportunity to be involved in establishing regulations governing the certification program.

There is concern that unregulated costs from private industry will make homeownership less affordable. Builders have obtained price quotes from private engineers that range from \$500 to \$5,000 for on-lot certifications.

The Kenai Peninsula Builders Association responds to the February 7, 1992, News Release which stated, "Adair said that the department needs its staff to work on higher-priority environmental projects." We ask, what issue could possibly be more important to Alaskans than the safety of our drinking water?

Sincerely,

Jean Bunn, President

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To: <i>Lucille Staito</i>	From: <i>Pat Vincent</i>
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TESTIMONY HB 387
February 18, 1992

The Kenai Peninsula Builders Association urges your support of House Bill 387.

There is a definite concern on the part of our members that the withdrawal of State oversight by the Department of Environmental Conservation will increase liability for those involved in the home building industry and increase costs to the homeowner. We feel that the State of Alaska should continue to be involved in an issue of public health and safety.

Patricia Vincent, E.O.



ALASKA STATE
HOMEBUILDERS ASSOCIATION

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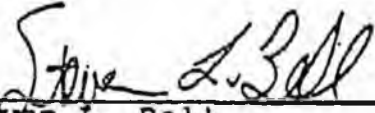
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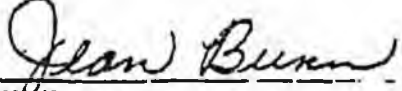
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Dated: This 8th day of January 1992.



Steven L. Bell
President



Jean Bunn
Secretary





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MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 9, 1991
TO: Bob Sullivan
Intergovernmental Affairs Director
FROM: Kay Murphy *KM*
Mortgage Operations Director
RE: DEC Certifications

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As you know, Commissioner Sandor continues to push toward elimination of DEC's certification of wells and septic serving one and two family dwellings. Rumor has it that this action is being triggered by Governor Hickel's office. While you are in Juneau later this month, would you please talk with the Governor or members of his staff to discuss alternatives to DEC's reduction of services.

Areas of concern include:

- o Health and Safety issues are ignored by the State for small residential properties.
- o Quality of engineer's and certified installer's reports is suspect. Statistics provided by DEC show a statewide return rate of 31% and decline rate of 12%.
- o Increased lender liability as well as processing delays and added expense are expected.
- o Lack of expertise in identifying non-conventional systems and/or soils deficiencies. Per DEC, the engineers and lenders do not have the knowledge accumulated over the years by DEC staff.
- o Many DEC requirements are based on staff experience not published guidelines.
- o Cost is easily absorbed by User Fees.

Please find attached recent correspondence to and from Commissioner Sandor and Dick Farnell, DEC's Wastewater Program Manager.

Please contact me if I can be of further assistance.

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February 13, 1992

In Reply Refer To: 363/26

John A. Sandor, Commissioner
Department of Environmental Conservation
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Dear Commissioner Sandor:

VA policy requires that when individual water and sewerage systems are contemplated, each must comply in all respects with the health authority regulations for the respective localities.

VA supports any efforts to ensure that such systems are subject to extremely careful study and investigation to assure against possible later deficiencies.

Passage of HB 387 seems essential to remove any concern about DEC's authority to regulate this important public policy function. Your support of Representative Boyer's HB 387 will alleviate the authority issue raised during the past year.

Sincerely,

Edward Hull
Loan Guaranty Officer

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First National Bank
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April 23, 1992

House Resources Committee
Cliff Davidson, Chair
Alaska State Legislator
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RE: HOUSE BILL 387

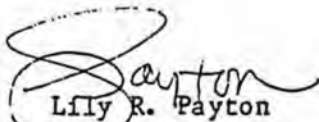
Dear Mr. Davidson:

The First National Bank of Anchorage would like to express their support of House Bill 387, which provides for accreditation of engineers for inspections of wastewater systems for single family homes and duplexes.

We feel passage of this bill is important to the health and safety of the people of Alaska.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact me at 265-3566.

Sincerely,



Lily R. Payton
Vice President

Investor Lending Production Division

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January 23, 1992

Representative Mark Boyer
Alaska State Legislature
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Representative Boyer:

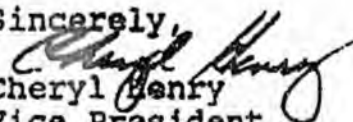
The Alaska Mortgage Bankers Association strongly supports the passage of CHSB 387.

The bill would provide for continuation of oversight by DEC of on-site systems, a service which DEC has historically performed.

Owners of one and two family units are currently the only homeowners not covered by DEC oversight by state statute; this bill would place these homeowners on an equal footing with other property owners.

There should be no financial effect on DEC, as user fees can be charged for the service.

If we can provide any information, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

 Cheryl Henry
 Vice President

Attachment: Membership List



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February 3, 1992

To: Representative Mark Boyer
State Capital
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Fax 465-3841

From: Security Pacific Bank Alaska *WJW*
Theresa Wolf

RE: DEC on-site certifications

Security Pacific Bank Alaska is very concerned if DEC discontinues its on-lot certifications. This will put more liability on the lenders and engineers. Engineers will most likely raise their prices to accommodate the additional liability placed on them. This will result in higher costs to the home buyers and lenders will be taking a greater risk in interpreting the engineers report. We are not engineers and do not have engineers on staff. Therefore, we support House Bill 387.

Background on Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation On-Site Wastewater Disposal System Certification Program

House Bill 387- Seventeenth Alaska Legislature Date: January 23, 1992
Prepared for House Community and Regional Affairs Committee

The Department of Environmental Conservation reviews and approves engineered plans for modification of existing or new construction of wastewater systems as required by 18 AAC 72.210 Domestic Wastewater System Plan Review.

Exception: Plan approval is not required for conventional on-site wastewater system serving a single-family or duplex residence. This exception does not apply to systems that require waiver of separation distance from water.

The Current Situation: Approvals of these systems by the Department is not required by regulation. It has been conducted at the request of the Banks and Real Estate industries. The program has required 8.9 FTE's and a budget of \$536,000 (FY 91). In FY 91 the Department approved about 2,400 on-site wastewater systems. Of these, approximately 1,300 systems were conventional and would be affected by the proposed private sector assumption.

Proposed Reduction: The Department is planning to have private sector engineers review conventional on-site wastewater systems for single-family and duplexes and their evaluation would be given directly to the bank. A phased transition has been proceeding in FY 92, and should be completed by February 1992. The reduction of program responsibilities not required by regulations is necessary to make use of our limited resources in other important public health and environmental protection areas.

Other program activities are proposed to continue. These include engineering plan approval of all non-conventional systems, or systems which require separation distance waivers. Also, filing and maintaining archival records of previous on-site system approvals. The Department offers training statewide for Certified Wastewater Installers, and maintains a list of contractors who have met the requirements.

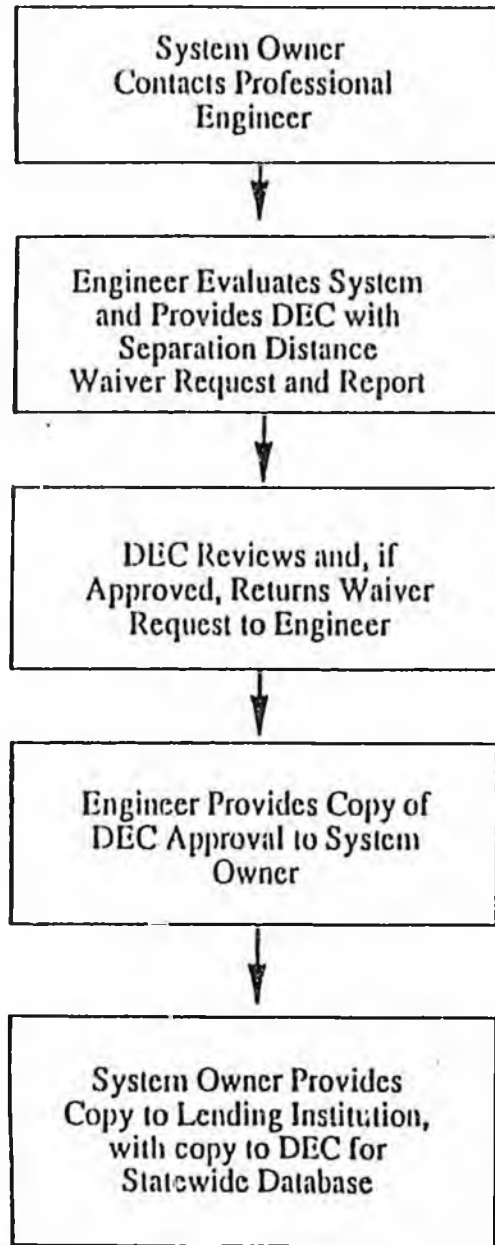
Activities to Date: In support of the proposed reduction in single-family and duplex approvals the Department testified at House and Senate Finance Committee Hearings on our FY 92 Budget Request. We have also notified the Banking and Real Estate industry, and the Professional Engineering community of the planned change. A series of meetings were held with these groups to identify concerns, and to provide for an orderly transition. Training was presented to Engineers in Anchorage and Fairbanks. A form has been prepared for the use of the industry in substituting Professional Engineer approval for the Departments approval.

Situation in Other States: Alaska is unique in having a state agency involved with the on-site wastewater system approvals. In most other states, the local government or county health departments provide this service. The state usually is only involved as far as establishing minimum criteria.

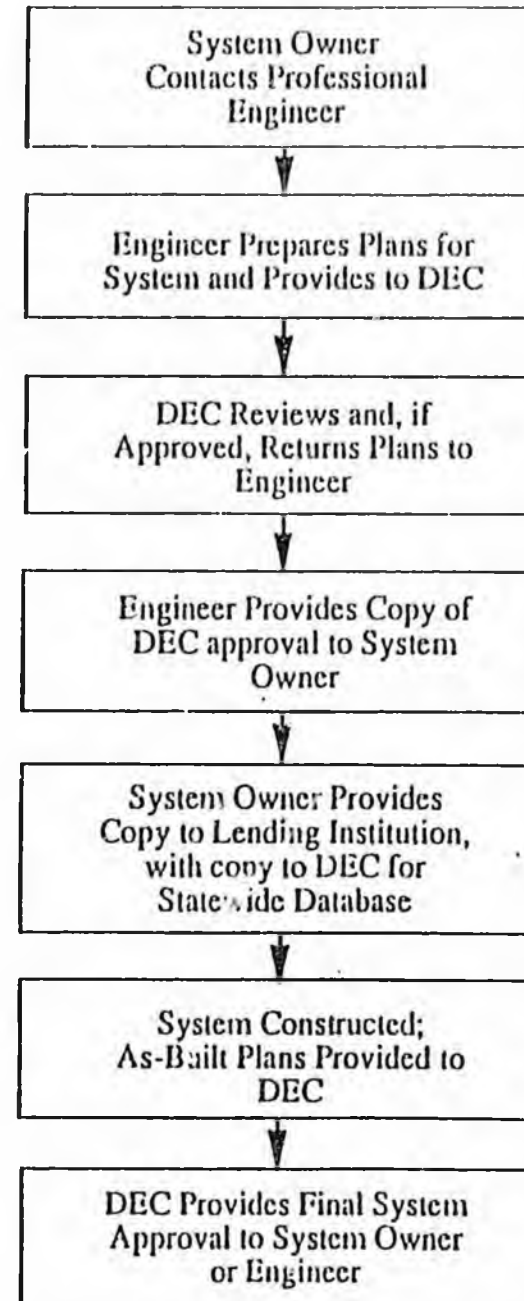
On-Lot Wastewater System Certification Process

(No Proposed Changes)

Existing or New Wastewater Systems, Requiring Separation Distance Waiver



New Systems, Larger than Duplex and/or Non-Conventional





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January 15, 1992

Representative Mark Boyer
Alaska House of Representatives
Juneau, AK

Sent VIA FAX - 465-3841

RE: HB 387

Dear Representative Boyer:

Thank you for introducing the above referenced bill. This bill is supported by myself as President of Denali State Bank and by the Alaska Bankers Association of which I am the current President.

Your efforts in seeking the passage of this bill, which will continue to assist the financial institutions in originating mortgage loans on residential properties, is sincerely appreciated. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gary Roth".

Gary Roth
President and Chief Executive Officer

GR/bf



First National Bank
of Anchorage

Representative Mark Boyer

The First National Bank of Anchorage would like to briefly describe our concerns regarding the possible suspension of on-lot well and septic approvals by DEC.

They are as follows:

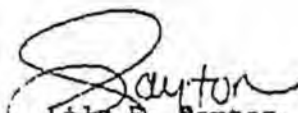
1. Lenders would be expected to rely on reports completed by certified installers and engineers who have already demonstrated a 31% return rate by DEC on their reports. The rate of return in Anchorage alone was 75%. Please refer to Dick Farnell's letter dated August 21, 1991, a copy of which is attached.
2. We have been also advised by Dick Farnell in his letter of the following:
 - A working knowledge of on-lot septic systems is required of reviewers to adequately review certifications and reports.
 - Not all installers or engineers would know of the existence of special conditions, some of which may not be readily identifiable from cursory soil examinations, and would require experience with the local soils.
3. DEC has indicated they currently have a library of information available concerning soil conditions around the state and have suggested lenders submit copies of the reports received from engineers and installers to DEC so they can continue to update their library. As it is unclear how this procedure would be enforced, it is felt that this procedure would go by the wayside which would render this library obsolete in no time.

Although there are many qualified engineers and installers in Alaska, it appears as though lenders would ultimately be responsible for reviewing the reports submitted to determine whether they are accurate and complete. I think we can all agree that lenders do not have this type of expertise and to leave this to chance would do a great injustice to the public.

The First National Bank of Anchorage would like to thank you for introducing House Bill No. 387, which appears to address the problem.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact me at 265-3566.

Sincerely,



Lily B. Payton
Vice President

Investor Lending Production Division

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DATE: February 12, 1992

TO: Board Presidents
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FROM: Dave Feeken, Chairman
Political Affairs Committee

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CALL TO ACTION

The Legislative and Political Affairs Committees of the Alaska Association of REALTORS® urge all members to contact their elected officials and the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) concerning the on-site certification process of well/septic systems. The Alaska Association of REALTORS® supports DEC's plan to privatize the approval process of "standard" single family and duplex on-site well/septic systems. Furthermore, we urge DEC to adopt regulations governing the engineer certification process by April 15, 1992.

1. Adoption of the DEC plan will save the Department funds in administering what all of us know is practically a rubber-stamp process now.
2. Adoption of the DEC plan will shorten the period of time for closing, as there will no longer be any DEC delays.
3. DEC will continue to approve "designated systems."
4. Privatization will allow for competition and the marketplace will set the fees.

AAR members are also urged to ask their legislators to pass H.B. 387, which mandates DEC issue written approval of single family and duplexes. This will take the certification process out of the political arena, at last. This bill does not affect the issue of private engineers approving "standard systems," as DEC can certify engineers through regulation.

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January 21, 1992

Representative Mark Boyer
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Representative Boyer:

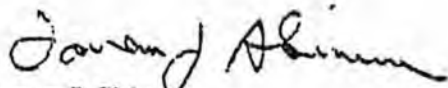
Re: DEC On-site Certification
House Bill 387

Please consider this letter as Alaska USA's support for the passage of House Bill 387.

Based on numerous meetings that the mortgage lending community has had with the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), we feel that the review and approval of on-site well and septic systems should be performed by qualified personnel in the DEC's office. Mortgage lenders lack the expertise required to interpret engineers' reports on the performance of well and septic systems. Consequently, to confirm the adequacy of such systems, DEC's review and approval should be required.

We appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



Lorrin J. Skinner
First Senior Vice President



Representative Cliff Davidson
Alaska House of Representatives
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Representative Davidson:

The Alaska Association of REALTORS (AAR) supports in part the position of the Alaska Mortgage Bankers Association (AMBA) concerning the on-site certification of well and septic systems.

AAR supports DEC proceeding with their plan of private professional engineers performing the certification process. AAR urges the Department of Environmental Conservation to proceed as soon as possible with the request to adopt regulations concerning the certification program of professional engineers, and have these regulations in place by April 15, 1992.

AAR seeks DEC's support in passing H.B. 387 by Representative Boyer of Fairbanks; this bill is necessary for stability of the home loan process for the general public. It takes the yearly politics out of a process in which politics do not belong.

Respectfully

Dave Feeken
Member, Alaska Association of REALTORS



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DATE: February 13, 1992
TO: Representative Cliff Davidson 465-5070
FROM: Beluga Realty
RE: Bill HB 387

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Respectfully,

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Sandra Benson, Member, Alaska Association of REALTORS®

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April 13, 1992

Representative Mark Boyer
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Representative Boyer:

The Alaska Association of REALTORS® has reviewed CSHB 387, the act relating to accrediting engineers for inspections of wastewater systems for single family homes and duplexes.

The Association is satisfied with this bill as written and thanks you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Dea Turner
Executive Vice President

cc: Konrad Reinke
Legislative Chairman

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The Honorable John Sandor
Commissioner
Department of Environmental Conservation

Dear Commissioner Sandor:

I request that the Department of Environmental Conservation postpone its plans to discontinue on February 2 certification of on-lot domestic wastewater systems for one and two family properties.

As you know, I have introduced legislation to give the DEC specific authority to issue certifications of these properties for property owners who request them (HB 387).

We have requested our legal staff to review the memorandum of understanding between the Department of Labor and the Department of Environmental Conservation, giving the DEC primary responsibility for regulating private sewage disposal systems," so long as such regulation is no less stringent than that set forth in AS 18.60.705 and Appendix I of the Uniform Plumbing Code." I question whether or not the DEC can delegate that authority away to the private sector.

The prudent course of action with regard to this issue would be to wait until a determination has been made on the department's authority to discontinue the certification process.

If we don't clear up the cloudy issue of regulatory responsibility and authority before DEC takes further action, the home mortgage industry could be adversely affected, by discontinuing approval of new mortgages, or at least greatly lengthening the time it would take a prospective home buyer to secure a loan.

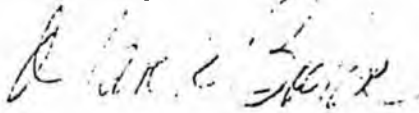
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Neither one of us wants to make home ownership any more difficult than it already is. By going forward with your plan to discontinue on-lot certifications, while there are unanswered questions, you will be doing a great disservice to the home buyers and lenders of Alaska.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,



Mark Boyer
Representative

cc: Rep. Jerry Mackie, Chair
House Community and Regional Affairs
Senator Steve Frank
Senate Community and Regional Affairs