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**HB**

**304**

# FISCAL NOTE

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 Title Permanent Fund Income BRU Permanent Fund Corp.  
 Component Permanent Fund Corp.  
 Sponsor Representative Whitaker  
 Requester House State Affairs Component No. 109

**Expenditures/Revenues** (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Liens & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

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

CHANGE IN REVENUES ( )	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008

**FUND SOURCE** (Thousands of Dollars)

FUND SOURCE	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

Estimate of any current year (FY2002) cost: 0.0  
 Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2003 budget proposal:

**POSITIONS**

POSITIONS	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

**ANALYSIS:** (Attach a separate page if necessary)

The proposed legislation would not increase the cost of operations for the Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation.

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 Division: Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation Date/Time 2/22/02 2:58 PM  
 Approved by: Larry Persily, Deputy Commission Date 02/22/2002  
 Agency: Department of Revenue

**HB 304**  
**Permanent Fund Income**

**Section 1** – Adds a subsection to AS 37.13.145 that (e) directs the permanent fund corporation to calculate the realized income of the earnings reserve and (f) transfer to the general fund either; an amount that is equal to the realized earnings or \$7,000,000.00 (plus an indexing for inflation and population change), whichever is less.

**Section 2** – Amends the uncodified law by (a) designating the amount transferred to the general fund for FY 02 and 03 as the lesser of the realized earnings or \$2,000,000 and (b) designates \$2,000,000.00 as the benchmark amount by which subsequent years shall be calculated.

**Section 3** – Sets the effective date of this legislation as June 30, 2002.



## Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation

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### MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** November 21, 2001

**TO:** Lori Backes,  
Finance Aide to Representative Jim Whitakers

**FROM:** Jim Kelly  
Director of Communications

**SUBJECT:** APFC analysis of your proposal

You have asked the APFC to analyze the impact of appropriating \$200 million per year of Fund income, after dividends and inflation-proofing, beginning in 2002 and then increasing that payment annually by (a) the rate of inflation, or (b) the rate of inflation plus the rate of population growth.

As the chart at the end of this memo indicates, the APFC estimates the average annual rate of inflation for the next ten years at 3.25 percent and population growth at 1.1 percent. With those assumptions, the \$200 million annual appropriation grows to \$267 million in the first case and \$294 million in the second.

In terms of the proposal's impact on the Fund, there are three essential points to make.

1. Taking volatility of investment returns into consideration, the APFC projects that over the next ten years the Fund will most likely produce between \$175 - 300 million per year available for appropriation for legislative purposes in addition to the transfers required for dividends and inflation-proofing per existing statutory formulas.
2. Expenditure of that \$175 - 300 million would not place inflation-proofing in jeopardy; the Fund would still be able to retain sufficient income over

time to provide long-term protection of the total Fund's purchasing power.

3. Any appropriations out of the Fund, in addition to dividends per existing statutes, would cause dividends to decline relative to the status quo.

**Volatility.** Before discussing the specific impacts of the proposal, it is important to understand how the APFC addresses volatility. In recent years, the APFC has moved away from providing forecasts which focus on individual numbers and instead has preferred to talk in terms of ranges of likely outcomes.

This shift recognizes that it is not only impossible to produce reliably accurate single point-in-time numbers for future years, it is misleading to indicate that any of us can assess the impacts of future events such as financial market performance with "laser-guided precision."

With that cautionary note, there are two fundamental principles - one relating to investment policy and one to spending policy - with which one can assess the soundness of any proposed change to the current use of Fund income.

- Time greatly reduces - but does not eliminate - the volatility in annual returns. That is why from an investment policy perspective, asset allocation, diversification, disciplined rebalancing and long-term time horizon are all key elements of a successful investment program. **The proposal does not have an adverse effect on the Board's investment strategy.**
- From a spending policy perspective, the best way to moderate the impact of volatility is averaging. So, for example in the case of the Alaska Permanent Fund, which - with its 53 percent target allocation to equities - has a one-in-four chance of a negative total Fund return in any given year, averaging returns over five years reduces the likelihood of a negative return to one-in-twenty. This moderation of the impact of volatility provides a valuable cushion to ensure stability of distributions. **Although the proposal does not include an averaging provision, we know from other analyses that this level of additional payout fits within the range of long-term average real income which the Fund can be expected to produce on a sustainable basis - five percent of the Fund's average five-year market value in perpetuity.**

**Impacts of this proposal on the dividend.** The actual effect of this proposal, which would pay out between \$200 - 300 million annually to the General Fund

over the next ten years, will depend on two factors. The first is certain – the increased payouts relative to the status quo mean the Fund will produce relatively less income each year in the future; the second is uncertain – the impact of volatility in the financial markets.

Taking only the first factor into consideration, it is likely that the proposal would have very little impact – less than \$20 per check – for the first 4-5 years, growing to an annual difference of approximately \$150 in ten years.

Now, let's consider the impact of the second factor, volatility. Under the status quo – depending on market conditions between now and then – per capita dividends in 2011 are most likely to fall within the range of \$1,600 to \$3,300. Under your proposal, the most likely range is \$1,500 to \$3,000.

So, the impact of your proposal on per capita dividends ten years out – compared to the status quo – is in the range of \$100 - \$300 per year. Note the much larger impact of volatility, which could cause the actual dividend in 2011 to vary, depending on market conditions between now and then, by as much as \$1,700 in the status quo case.

If you have any further questions, please let me know.

**Estimated annual payout of \$200 million of Fund income  
adjusted for inflation growth or inflation plus population  
(in millions)**

	<b>\$200 million + inflation (3.25%)</b>	<b>\$200 million + inflation (3.25%) + population (1.1%)</b>
2002	200	200
2003	207	209
2004	213	218
2005	220	227
2006	227	237
2007	235	248
2008	242	259
2009	250	270
2010	258	282
2011	267	294

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February 25, 2002

The Hon. Ethan Berkowitz; Alaska House of Representatives  
State of Alaska  
Juneau, AK 998

re: Dickens & Numbers

han B.

Thanks for the opportunity to talk to State Affairs today-- here are a few comments on Alaska's budget and growth percentages.

Dickens One of Charles Dickens' characters, Micawber, succinctly expresses the facts of budget life (paraphrased below):  
"Income twenty pounds, expenditures 19 pounds, 11 shillings, 19 pence; result, happiness. Income twenty pounds, expenditures 20 pounds, 0 shillings, 1 penny; result, DESPAIR."

Irrelevant Percentages It really doesn't matter what percentage Alaska's income or expenditures increased by, whether this percentage is above or below some hypothesized ideal. All that matters is that current income be a bit MORE than current spending.

7% Seven percent, compounded for THIRTY years, results in a multiplier close to that 10.34 multiplier derived from actual population increases times inflation (consumer price index increases; using CPI gives a HIGHER number than producer price increases).

Only THREE, Not 4, doubles But using 1960 as a starting point, when actually the \$150 million was the 1969 budget figure for Alaska, is incorrect. This 9-year difference is significant because 1969-2002 would be about THREE 'doubles' at 7% {using the 'Rule of 72'} but 1960-2002 would be FOUR.

Three doubles would be: \$300, \$600, \$1,200 millions (\$1.2 billion). See accompanying "Claims & Facts", which shows a 10.34 ACTUAL multiplier: i.e., 1969 budget = \$1.551 billion in 2003.

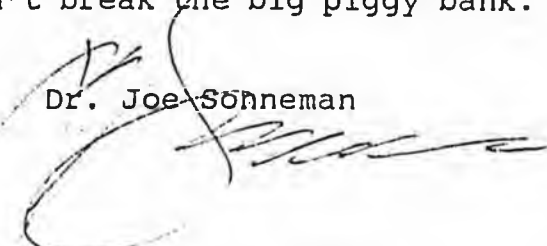
As I told the Committee, this is of historical interest only, because the essential point is that current spending be kept below current income, regardless of historical trendlines.

Panama Canal Revelance? Whatever was spent on the Panama Canal (1895-1915?), even if of the same nominal dollar amount as Alaska's 1969 budget [UNTRUE], is irrelevant to Alaska's present situation. ["Nominal dollars" of course are radically different in real value when separated in time by perhaps 70 years, yes?].

Please keep the PFD program and Permanent Fund UNTOUCHED and UNCHANGED. Build up--and TAX--value-added manufacturing, winding down the CBR and balance State spending with State income. Yes, it can be done, probably in any of many different ways. Please do NOT involve the PFD or Permanent Fund: don't break the big piggy bank.

Sincerely & cordially,

Dr. Joe Sonneman



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CLAIMS AND FACTS RE: PANAMA CANAL, ALASKA POPULATION, PRICE INDEX

by Joe Sonneman

CLAIM

FACT & SOURCE

The Panama Canal cost \$150 million.

One encyclopedia lists the cost of construction at \$380 million. Another encyclopedia does not list the construction cost, but notes that the U.S. paid Panama \$10 million to start, plus \$250,000 per year (starting in 1913), with the annual payment increased in 1936 to \$400,000 and increased again in 1955 to about \$1.9 million. {Panama always called this a "rental payment," not a purchase; hence, the return of the canal under Pres. Carter in 1978-79.}

The combination of Alaska population and inflation from 1969 [NOT 1960] to present is a compounded 7% {so it is OK to use the Rule of 72 in comparing 1969 and present Alaskan budgets}

[All numbers from the Statistical Abstract of the United States, 2001 and 1981 editions].

POPULATION of Alaska  
1970: 303,000                      2000: 627,000

INFLATION (national Consumer Price Index)  
1982-83 = 100:  
1969 = 2.726                      2000 = .581

ANALYSIS: Not quite clear what kind of 'combination' is meant, additive or multiplicative, so let's take the bigger number by multiplying the differences.

$$\text{Population increase} = \frac{627,000}{303,000} = 2.069 \quad (1970 - 2000)$$

ROUNDING: let's round this up to 2.2 (1969 -2003)

$$\text{Price Index increase} = 2.726 / .581 = 4.6919 \quad \{\text{round to } 4.7\}$$

MULTIPLYING the 2.2 population increase x 4.7 price increase yields a result of 10.34, taking both population and inflation into maximum account ['maximum', because these were multiplied, not just added].

APPLYING the 10.34 multiplier to the 1969 Alaska budget total of \$150 million yields an equivalent year 2003 budget of about \$1.551 billion.

CONCLUSION: Alaska is spending far more in 2002 & 2003 than it did in 1969, even when corrections are made both for population increases and for inflation. That extra spending may be good in part--no one says the 1969 level was ideal--but the higher present level may be bad if spending continues to run ahead of income, especially if income actually declines as predicted by Dept. of Revenue (which does not have a good track record on predicting).

BACK UP MATERIALS SENT TO REP. BERKOWITZ

# HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)  
Date Referred to Committee: January 14, 2002

FURTHER REFERRALS: Finance

Date of Committee Action: 19 MAR 02

The STATE AFFAIRS Committee considered:

HB 304

HOUSE BILL NO. 304

PERMANENT FUND INCOME

"An Act relating to disposition of income of the permanent fund; and providing for an effective date."

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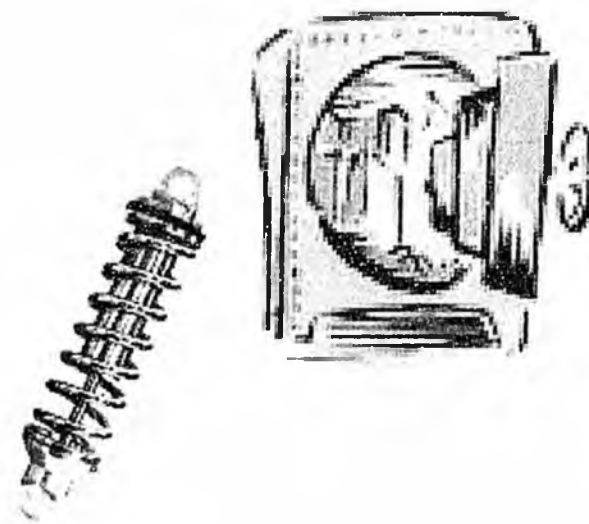
# Understanding Alaska's Finances

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Fund**



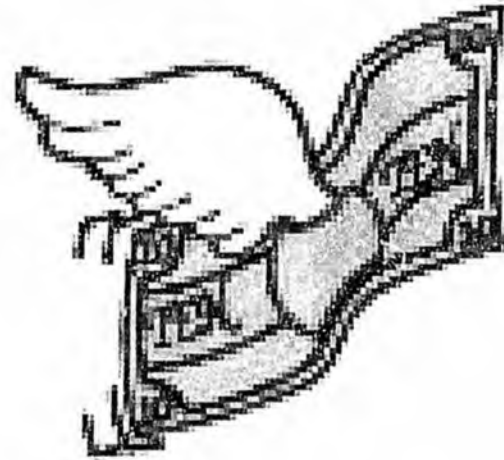
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**ERA**

# General Fund



**Revenues from:**

- **Oil Royalty, Severance Tax,  
Property Tax**
- **Corporate Income Tax**
- **Fees and other sources**



# The CBR

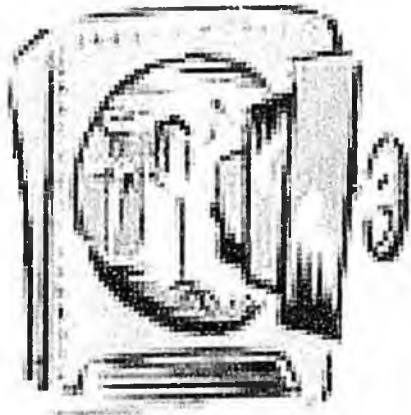


**\$2.4 Billion**

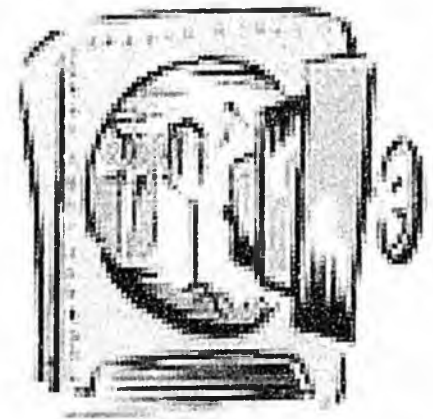
- **Used as a shock absorber for the budget in times of deficit.**

- **Draw in FY 2002**      **\$865 Million**

# The Permanent Fund Corpus



\$21 Billion



- The Fund Principal is protected.

What comes out of the Principal?

**NOTHING**



# The ERA

\$2.8 Billion

- **The ERA acts as the shock absorber for the Permanent Fund.**
- **Debits and Credits to the Permanent Fund are realized by the ERA. (Earnings, Losses, Dividends)**
- **If the Permanent Fund Corpus realizes a loss, the ERA absorbs the loss.**

**How are these funds  
affected by an ongoing  
budget deficit?**

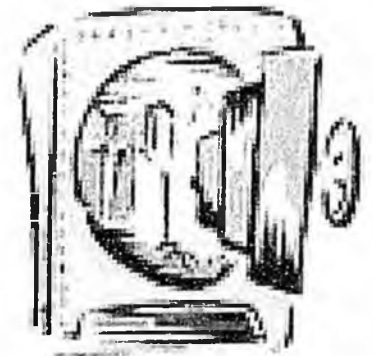
# The Funds are Related

**General  
Fund**



**FY2004**

**Permanent  
Fund**



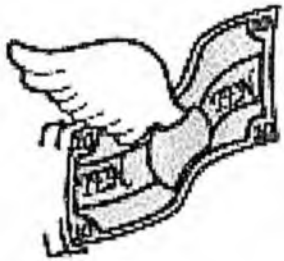
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# **Conclusion:**

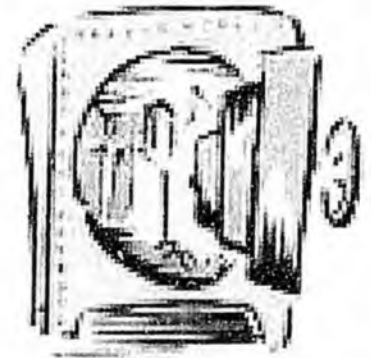
- **The ERA is not sustainable functioning as a shock absorber for both General Fund and the Permanent Fund**
- **If the ERA functions as a shock absorber for both funds, it will most probably, effectively be drained by the end of the decade.**
- **And the dividend program will end.**

**And then there were two...**

**General  
Fund**



**Permanent  
Fund**



# **If nothing is done, by the end of the decade:**

- The dividend program is gone**
- Government spending will be significantly reduced**
- And our economy will shrink**

**HB**

**305**

# HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)  
Date Referred to Committee: February 15, 2002

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: 14 MAR 02

The STATE AFFAIRS Committee considered:

HB 305

HOUSE BILL NO. 305

NONCOMPLIANCE WITH SELECTIVE SERVICE

"An Act prohibiting certain state employment, a student loan, or a permanent fund dividend for a person who fails to register for the military selective service; and providing for an effective date."

Recommends it be replaced with CS HB 305 (STA) [ ] Same Title [ ] New Title  
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**HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT**

(7)

Date Referred to Committee: January 14, 2002

FURTHER REFERRALS: Finance

Date of Committee Action: 14 MAR 02

The STATE AFFAIRS Committee considered:

HB 303

HOUSE BILL NO. 303

STATE SALES AND USE TAX

"An Act relating to the levy and collection of a sales tax; and providing for an effective date."

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## REPRESENTATIVE JOHN COGHILL

Date: March 14, 2002

To: Mike Ford, Leg Legal

From: Rynniva Moss, Legislative Aide

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rynniva Moss".

Re: Work Order #LS1209 Version F

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Please prepare a final on CSHB 305(STA), which is version F. It was passed out of State Affairs this morning with no changes.

Thanks.

# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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## Sponsor Statement

### HB 305

**“An Act prohibiting certain state employment, a student loan, or a permanent fund dividend for a person who fails to register for the military selective service; and providing for an effective date.”**

In an effort to encourage military selective service registration for all eligible persons, I have introduced HB 305. The intent of this legislation is to ensure that Alaskans are knowledgeable about the military selective service registration system and will register promptly. This is particularly timely in view of the attack on America on September 11<sup>th</sup> and the resurgence of patriotism and service to protect our freedom and way of life in our country.

HB 305 requires any United States male citizen who is between the ages of 18 and 26 to comply with the federal selective service registration requirements, if applicable, when applying to receive:

- Certain state employment
- An Alaska student loan
- A permanent fund dividend

Failure to timely register within 30 days of turning 18 will result in ineligibility for the above state benefits. Federal law already requires military selective service registration, with consequences for not registering. A male U.S. citizen, who is 18 and meets the requirements of 50 U.S.C. App. 453 and has not registered for the selective service, is subject to a fine of \$250,000 and up to five years in prison. Registration is also a requirement to qualify for federal student aid, job training benefits and most federal employment. The US Immigration and Naturalization Service makes registration with the selective service a condition for US citizenship if the man first arrived in the U.S. before his 26<sup>th</sup> birthday. Twenty-eight other states have or are considering legislation which attaches conditions of service for eligibility for certain programs and state benefits. With this legislation, Alaska will join those other states in ensuring compliance with the federal registration requirements.

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**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 305( )**  
**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**  
**TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION**

BY

**Offered:**  
**Referred:**

**Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES MURKOWSKI, HARRIS, MULDER, AND JAMES, Hudson, Green, Guess, Dyson, Foster**

**A BILL**  
**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act prohibiting certain state employment, a student loan, or a permanent fund  
2 dividend for a person who fails to register for the military selective service; and  
3 providing for an effective date."

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

5 \* Section 1. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section  
6 to read:

7 SHORT TITLE. This Act may be known as the Selective Service Registration  
8 Awareness and Compliance Act.

9 \* Sec. 2. AS 14.43.125(a) is amended to read:

10 (a) A person is eligible for a loan if the person

11 (1) is

12 (A) enrolled as a full-time student in a career education,  
13 associate, baccalaureate, or graduate degree program;

14 (B) enrolled as a half-time student in a career education,

1 associate, baccalaureate, or graduate degree program

2 (i) in the state; or

3 (ii) out of the state and is physically present in this state

4 while attending that program; or

5 (C) a graduate of a high school or the equivalent, or scheduled  
6 for graduation from a high school within six months, who, at the time of loan  
7 disbursement, will be enrolled in compliance with (A) or (B) of this paragraph;

8 (2) is not delinquent and has never been in default on a loan previously  
9 awarded by the commission;

10 (3) is a resident of the state at the time of application for the loan; for  
11 purposes of this section, a person qualifies as a resident of the state if at the time of  
12 application for the loan the person

13 (A) has been physically present in the state for at least one year  
14 immediately before the time of application for the loan with the intent to  
15 remain indefinitely;

16 (B) is dependent on a parent or guardian for care, the parent or  
17 guardian has been present in the state for at least one year immediately before  
18 the time of application for the loan with the intent to remain indefinitely, and  
19 the person has been present in the state for at least one year of the immediately  
20 preceding five years except that the commission may by a two-thirds vote,  
21 acting upon a written appeal by the person, grant an exemption to the  
22 requirement that the person has been present in the state for one year of the  
23 immediately preceding five years;

24 (C) has been physically present in the state for at least one year  
25 immediately before the applicant was absent from the state, the person intends  
26 to return permanently to the state, and the absence is due solely to

27 (i) serving an initial period of up to three years on  
28 active duty as a member of the armed forces of the United States;

29 (ii) serving for up to three years as a full-time volunteer  
30 under the Peace Corps Act;

31 (iii) serving for up to three years as a full-time volunteer

1 under the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973;

2 (iv) required medical care for the applicant or the  
3 applicant's immediate family;

4 (v) being a person who otherwise qualifies as a resident  
5 and is accompanying a spouse who qualifies as a resident under (i) -  
6 (iv) of this paragraph;

7 (vi) an absence allowed under (D)(i) - (iv) of this  
8 paragraph; or

9 (D) is a dependent of a parent or guardian who has been  
10 physically present in the state for at least one year immediately before the  
11 parent or guardian was absent from the state, the parent or guardian intends to  
12 return permanently to the state, and the absence is due solely to

13 (i) participating in a foreign exchange student program  
14 recognized by the commission;

15 (ii) attending a school as a full-time student;

16 (iii) full-time employment by the state;

17 (iv) being a member of or employed full-time by the  
18 state's congressional delegation;

19 (v) being a person who otherwise qualifies as a resident  
20 and is accompanying a spouse who qualifies as a resident under (i) -  
21 (iv) of this paragraph;

22 (4) does not have a past due child support obligation established by  
23 court order or by the child support enforcement division under AS 25.27.160 -  
24 25.27.220 at the time of application or loan disbursement;

25 (5) has not, within the previous five years, had a loan discharged or  
26 written off by the commission for any reason;

27 (6) does not have a status, at the time of the application for a loan or  
28 disbursement of loan funds, that would prevent the person from repaying the loan as it  
29 becomes due;

30 (7) has not within the previous seven years defaulted on another loan  
31 made to the person by a lending entity unless the person can show good faith efforts to

1 repay the loan and extraordinary circumstances that led to the default; [AND]

2 (8) does not have a credit history, at the time of application for a loan,  
3 that demonstrates chronic inability or unwillingness to pay an extension of credit or  
4 loan as it becomes due; and

5 (9) has complied with the military selective service registration  
6 requirements imposed under 50 U.S.C. App. 453 (Military Selective Service Act),  
7 if those requirements were applicable to the person.

8 \* Sec. 3. AS 14.43.750(a) is amended to read:

9 (a) A person may apply for and obtain a family education loan on behalf of a  
10 family member if

11 (1) the borrower

12 (A) is a resident of the state at the time of application for the  
13 loan; for purposes of this paragraph, a borrower qualifies as a resident of the  
14 state if the borrower has been physically present in the state for at least one  
15 year immediately before the time of application for the loan with the intent to  
16 remain indefinitely or, if not physically present in the state, the borrower has  
17 not declared or established residency in another state, intends to return  
18 permanently to the state, and the absence meets the requirements imposed  
19 under AS 14.43.125(a)(3)(C)(i) - (vi);

20 (B) satisfies the requirements of AS 14.43.125(a)(6) - (9)  
21 [AS 14.43.125(a)(6) - (8)];

22 (2) the family member

23 (A) is enrolled as a full-time student in a career education,  
24 associate, baccalaureate, or graduate degree program; or

25 (B) is a graduate of a high school or the equivalent, or  
26 scheduled for graduation from a high school within six months, who, at the  
27 time of loan disbursement, will be enrolled in compliance with (A) of this  
28 paragraph; and

29 (3) neither the borrower nor the family member

30 (A) is delinquent or has ever been in default on a loan  
31 previously awarded by the commission;

1 (B) is past due on a child support obligation established by  
2 court order or by the child support enforcement division under AS 25.27.160 -  
3 25.27.220 at the time of application or loan disbursement;

4 (C) has, within the previous five years, had a loan discharged  
5 or written off by the commission for any reason.

6 \* Sec. 4. AS 39.25.160 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

7 (k) A person may not be employed in the classified, partially exempt, or  
8 exempt service unless the person has complied with the military selective service  
9 registration requirements imposed under 50 U.S.C. App. 453 (Military Selective  
10 Service Act), if those requirements were applicable to the person. Notwithstanding  
11 AS 39.25.110, this subsection applies to employees in the exempt service except

12 (1) a justice, a judge, or a magistrate;

13 (2) the governor or the lieutenant governor;

14 (3) a member of the legislature;

15 (4) a person appointed under art. III, sec. 25, or art. III, sec. 26,

16 Constitution of the State of Alaska.

17 \* Sec. 5. AS 43.23.005(a) is amended to read:

18 (a) An individual is eligible to receive one permanent fund dividend each year  
19 in an amount to be determined under AS 43.23.025 if the individual

20 (1) applies to the department;

21 (2) is a state resident on the date of application;

22 (3) was a state resident during the entire qualifying year;

23 (4) has been physically present in the state for at least 72 consecutive  
24 hours at some time during the prior two years before the current dividend year;

25 (5) is

26 (A) a citizen of the United States;

27 (B) an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the  
28 United States;

29 (C) an alien with refugee status under federal law; or

30 (D) an alien that has been granted asylum under federal law;

31 [AND]

1 (6) was, at all times during the qualifying year, physically present in  
2 the state or, if absent, was absent only as allowed in AS 43.23.008; and

3 (7) was in compliance during the qualifying year with the military  
4 selective service registration requirements imposed under 50 U.S.C. App. 453  
5 (Military Selective Service Act), if those requirements were applicable to the  
6 individual.

7 \* Sec. 6. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
8 read:

9 APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to a person who seeks employment with the  
10 state, applies for a student loan or family education loan under AS 14.43, or applies for a  
11 permanent fund dividend under AS 43.23 on or after the effective date of this Act.

12 \* Sec. 7. This Act takes effect January 1, 2004.

# FISCAL NOTE

**STATE OF ALASKA**  
**2002 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

Fiscal Note Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bill Version: HB 305  
 () Publish Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): \_\_\_\_\_ Dept. Affected: Revenue  
 Title Noncompliance BRU Revenue Operations  
with Selective Service Component Permanent Fund Dividend  
 Sponsor Rep. Murkowski  
 Requester Military and Veteran Affairs Component No. 981

**Expenditures/Revenues** (Thousands of Dollars)

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

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

<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>						
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<b>CHANGE IN REVENUES ( )</b>						
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**FUND SOURCE** (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

Estimate of any current year (FY2002) cost: 0.0  
 Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2003 budget proposal:

**POSITIONS**

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

**ANALYSIS:** *(Attach a separate page if necessary)*  
 This bill amends the eligibility section of the Permanent Fund Dividend statutes by adding a section requiring that an individual who is required to register with the Selective Service System be in compliance during the qualifying year in order to be determined eligible for the dividend.

We do not expect this bill to have a fiscal effect on the operations of the Permanent Fund dividend program.

See Page 2 for further discussion.

Prepared by: Nanci A. Jones Phone 465-2323  
 Division Permanent Fund Dividend Date/Time 2/11/02 4:15 PM  
 Approved by: Larry Persily, Deputy Commissioner Date 02/11/2002  
 Agency Department of Revenue

**HB 305**  
**Department of Revenue**

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However, we do expect that this legislation will increase the number of eligibility determinations that go into review and appeal, as we expect a fair number of applicants will be denied each year for failure to register with Selective Service -- particularly in the first year of the new law. Young Alaska men in 1999 and 2000 averaged 86.5% compliance with Selective Service registration.

The bill carries a January 1, 2003 effective date, which would mean applicants for the October 2003 dividend would be judged on their compliance with Selective Service registration in 2002 — and we would expect that some applicants would be caught unaware of the new dividend eligibility rule until they were denied and it was too late the remedy the omission. (The new rule would be printed in the January 2003 application booklet.)

We also expect that an unknown number of applicants will be initially denied each year because of failures in data matches between the Dividend Division's information and computer tapes obtained from the Selective Service System. Although such errors (data entry, human error, hard-to-read hand-written applications) occur in any data match and can be corrected, the applicants will experience delays in receiving their dividend until they have cleared up any data errors in the matches.

# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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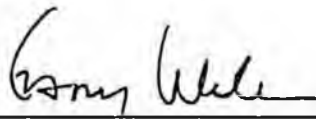
January 17, 2002

Representative Lisa Murkowski  
Special Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs  
Alaska State Legislature  
Juneau, Alaska 99801

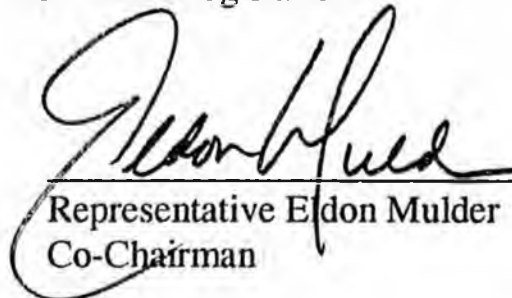
Dear Representative Murkowski:

At the November 15, 2001 meeting of the Joint Armed Services Committee, we received an informative briefing from Charles Smith, State Director of the Selective Service System for Alaska.

As you are aware, at that meeting Senator Randy Phillips moved that our committee request legislation be put forward requiring receipt of state benefits including the Permanent Fund be tied to Selective Service registration. Following lengthy discussion, the motion carried unanimously. We are pleased to lend our support to this worthwhile legislation.



\_\_\_\_\_  
Senator Gary Wilken  
Co-Chairman



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Representative Eldon Mulder  
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RECEIVING STATE REGISTER SHOULD CONSIDER  
 JUST ABOUT SERVICES COMMITTEE, INDIVIDUALS  
 SHOULD, AS DISCUSSED WITH THE LEGISLATIVE  
 FROM RECORDS U.S. CITIZENS.  
 FAILURE TO REGISTER ALSO PROVIDES AGENCY  
 EMPLOYERS INCLUDE THE POSTAL SERVICE;  
 LOSS, FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ALONG WITH FEDERAL  
 VARIOUS REGISTERERS TO THEM, SUCH AS, STUDENT  
 YOU MAY FAIL TO REGISTER DEALERS  
 PERSON AND UP TO A \$25,000.00 FINE; ALSO,  
 CLAIMS, PUNISHABLE BY UP TO 5 YEARS IN  
 REGISTERED BEING AGE 26 IS A FEDERAL  
 AGE OF 18 THROUGH 25; FAILURE TO  
 REGISTER OF ALL YOURS BEING REGISTERED THE  
 FIRST, SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION IS

Service Legislation:

THERE ARE TWO WAYS TO BE SELECTIVE  
 BILL CONGRESSIONAL SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION.  
 THIS LETTER IS INTENDED IN SUPPORT OF YOUR

DEAN REPRESENTATIVE MURKIN:

REPRESENTATIVE LINDA MURKIN  
 ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

MISSISSIPPI, ALASKA

ALASKA STATE ANATOMISTS

SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM

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Very Truly Yours,  
 Charles A. Smith  
 State Director

To The Lay, As Well As To Project Team  
 From The Loss Of Formal Benefits.  
 I Sincerely Appreciate Your Attention  
 To This Most Important Matter.  
 If I Can Be Of Any Assistance, Please  
 Do Not Hesitate To Call On Me.

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To: The Senate  
 From: LTC Victor Van Horn,  
       SSS Detachment Commander- Alaska Army National Guard  
       Educator for the Sitka School Borough  
 Re: SSS Legislation

I am in full support of the legislation for the Selective Service System Bill. As an educator, I know what happens to students that don't register for the Selective Service. There are many reasons to help students register for the Selective Service: Federal financial aid, Federal employment (includes Post Office), job training benefits, and some State jobs. They will violate the Federal law- even though the SSS hasn't prosecuted anyone lately does not mean we don't need the legislation. But by helping a student to registrar, we will keep him from violating Federal law and subject to \$250,000 maximum fine, a prison term of up to five years, or a combination of both. It is hard enough to make it without putting another burden on these young kids. Our jobs as citizens, educators, and legislators are to educate them to get registered with the SSS and help make sure they don't loose valuable benefits.

As the SSS Detachment Commander, I know we are limited to three National Guard officers to make sure all students registrar. These officers work for the SSS while on National Guard duty (part time) - which means we don't have enough time to make sure registration is done throughout the entire state. We have many other tasks to complete in order to be ready when we do incorporate a draft. It is not an easy task to get registrars in all the high schools in Alaska- right now we are at 90% of the high schools have a registrar on their staff. We need 100% high school to have registrars in order to be effective, along with the SSS legislation. Each person that does not registrar, Alaska looses many potential dollars for job training and Federal employment.

Registration with the SSS is not only a law but also a duty that every citizen should not take lightly. The protection of the US and the protection of our rights are important to all of us- because we must keep this country strong. Please help us make sure everyone does his part by registering with the Selective Service. We need to make sure all individuals that must registrar do registers with the SSS in order to make sure the draft is fair and equitable for everyone.

Thank you for considering the SSS bill as a very important legislation for the State of Alaska.

  
 LTC Victor Van Horn

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# Selective Service System

Region III, Denver, CO 80207

December 27, 2001

MEMORANDUM FOR ALASKA STATE DIRECTOR AND DETACHMENT COMMANDER

FROM: REGION III DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: SD/DC Conference Follow Up - Costs of Not Registering

During the SD/DC Conference conversations were discussed on how much does a state lose in federal dollars if a registrant fails to register when he turns 26.

I contacted a JTPA (Job Training Partnership Act) office to determine the average cost for an individual to obtain a vocational trade, it was \$5,000.

The matrix below represents the number of registrants who turned 26 and failed to register within your state. If those individuals wanted to obtain some type of vocational trade, he would NOT receive federal dollars under the Workmen Investment Act (WIA) and consequently the state would have to expend state dollars to assist instead of getting federal assistance. This would be even more detrimental if there would be Solomon and/or Thurmond state laws.

During your next round of Driver's License legislation in your state, please use this example when you testify to your different committees. The importance of our initiative is two fold, (1) fair and equitable draft and (2) a state helping their constituents secure their future.

STATE	Alaska	\$5,000 federal dollars lost by a state when a registrant fails to register. \$5K times total = total \$
1999	8	
2000	9	
2001	21	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>\$185,000.00</b>

Lyle Wilkes  
COL, USA

SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM  
REPORT NO. REGSTATS-4

DATE PREPARED 06/27/2001

REGISTRATION STATISTICS REPORTING SYSTEM

REGISTRATION STATISTICS  
FOR MEDIA RELEASE  
As Of  
April 30, 2001

STATE	CURRENT YOB 1983	PRIOR YOB 1982	YOB 1981	YOB 1980	YOB 1979	YOB 1978	YOB 1977	YOB 1976	TOTAL ALL YOB
AK	1,113	4,680	4,929	4,818	4,599	4,412	4,251	4,061	32,863
AZ	5,188	24,008	28,404	29,828	28,222	26,716	26,548	26,246	195,160
CA	35,185	171,761	202,806	207,281	200,782	192,782	194,120	194,862	1399579
CO	4,587	18,223	25,971	27,022	25,721	24,107	23,947	23,195	172,773
GU	143	863	1,113	1,186	1,189	1,205	1,101	1,099	7,899
HI	1,271	5,566	6,384	6,889	6,970	6,727	6,474	6,276	46,557
IA	5,158	20,009	21,364	22,353	21,818	20,790	20,841	19,657	151,990
ID	2,458	9,501	10,224	10,661	10,357	9,799	9,971	9,391	72,362
KS	4,415	17,466	19,279	19,485	18,839	17,474	17,680	17,100	131,738
MN	7,825	32,453	35,599	35,631	34,643	32,881	31,929	30,477	241,438
MO	8,380	32,905	36,309	38,169	37,432	35,655	35,613	33,775	258,238
MP	28	122	174	219	217	228	246	236	1,470
MT	1,556	6,544	7,083	7,149	7,076	6,824	6,881	6,500	49,613
ND	1,558	5,099	5,217	5,328	5,168	4,902	5,070	4,745	37,087
NE	3,186	11,995	12,781	13,376	12,513	12,015	12,070	11,538	89,474
NM	2,600	11,309	12,791	13,200	12,504	12,484	12,339	12,071	89,298
NV	1,892	8,727	10,062	10,257	9,873	9,163	8,900	8,592	67,466
OK	4,234	22,937	24,978	25,916	25,254	23,906	24,348	23,944	175,517
OR	4,614	19,946	22,824	22,806	22,126	21,273	21,304	20,515	155,408
SD	1,561	5,756	6,169	6,360	6,063	5,693	5,689	5,567	42,858
UT	3,614	17,303	19,467	20,525	20,284	19,314	19,568	18,958	139,053
WA	7,873	34,374	38,818	39,641	38,494	36,144	36,082	35,150	266,576
WY	1,091	3,948	4,183	4,294	4,501	4,109	4,199	3,814	30,139
TOTALS	109,530	485,495	556,929	572,394	554,645	528,603	529,191	517,769	3854556

NATIONWIDE STATISTICS

	ACTUAL REGISTRATIONS	ESTIMATED COMPLIANCE RATES
YOB 1983	360,443	75.9%
YOB 1982	1,542,420	73.6%
Draft Eligible (76-81)	10,485,728	90.3%
All YOB (76-83)	12,388,591	87.4%

SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM  
REPORT NO. 28021A5-253

212 CODE DISTRIBUTION SUMMARY REPORT  
As of Feb. 28, 2001

PAGE: 1  
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REGION: 3  
STATE: ALASKA

YOB 1976 - 1983 (ALL YEARS OF BIRTH)

YOB 1983 (CURRENT YOB)

COUNTY	ESTIMATED POPULATION	ACTUAL REGISTRATIONS	ESTIMATED COMP RATE	ACTUAL # OF NON-REGISTRATIONS	RCN REGISTRATION RATE	ESTIMATED POPULATION	ACTUAL REGISTRATIONS	ESTIMATED COMP RATE	ACTUAL # OF NON-REGISTRATIONS	RCN REGISTRATION RATE
ALUTIAN BASIN EAST	28	0	0.00	0	0.00	2	0	0.00	0	0.00
ALUTIAN BASIN WEST	601	181	30.12	30	16.57	6	4	66.67	0	0.00
BARCELOAGE	12,154	10,205	84.34	1,100	10.70	188	190	100.00	0	0.00
BERTHELE	760	685	90.26	59	8.60	12	12	100.00	0	0.00
BREIDENBACH	534	662	100.00	32	1.81	1	2	100.00	0	0.00
BULGIN	245	188	76.73	12	6.38	4	6	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY	4,769	2,999	62.89	227	7.57	70	59	84.29	0	0.00
CHALKY NORTH	117	133	100.00	8	6.02	2	5	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY SOUTH	1,293	2,232	96.80	120	9.66	19	20	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY WEST	2,189	2,558	100.00	152	5.94	34	61	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY NORTH	644	723	100.00	48	6.73	8	8	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY SOUTH	702	612	87.18	0	0.00	10	16	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY WEST	103	123	100.00	0	0.00	1	4	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY NORTH	2,314	2,297	99.27	0	0.00	16	71	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY SOUTH	498	421	84.54	0	0.00	8	9	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY WEST	285	275	96.14	0	0.00	4	7	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY NORTH	0	14	0.00	1	7.14	0	0	0.00	0	0.00
CHALKY SOUTH	351	256	84.33	38	12.84	5	7	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY WEST	428	316	75.60	22	6.96	5	5	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY NORTH	424	439	100.00	18	4.10	6	10	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY SOUTH	0	201	0.00	12	5.97	4	3	0.00	0	0.00
CHALKY WEST	321	183	100.00	25	6.53	4	3	75.00	0	0.00
CHALKY NORTH	513	490	95.52	37	7.55	7	13	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY SOUTH	331	316	95.47	11	3.48	4	4	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY WEST	311	310	99.68	16	5.16	4	7	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY NORTH	728	935	100.00	62	6.63	3	23	100.00	0	0.00
CHALKY SOUTH	30,677	27,074	88.26	2,010	7.42	144	549	100.00	0	0.00

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# WHAT DOES THE SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM PROVIDE FOR AMERICA?

*The Selective Service System and the registration program for America's young men provide our Nation with:*

- America's only time-proven, inexpensive *defense manpower insurance policy* in a still dangerous and uncertain world, and a hedge against underestimating the number of soldiers needed to fight in a future crisis.
- A visible symbol of national resolve to America's potential adversaries.
- A link between society-at-large and today's volunteer military, demonstrating that America's young men are responsibly standing ready to serve should a national crisis demand it.
- A proven, time-tested method of conducting a military draft in a crisis that would, from the outset, be the most fair and equitable draft in our nation's history.
- A small and efficient government agency, operating at a minimum essential budget level. Recent budgets have been consistently less than the Fiscal Year 1985 budget of \$27.4 million.
- A system that can conduct a skill specific draft, should the military find itself short of personnel with critical skills in a national emergency (i.e., medical personnel).
- Maintenance of a low cost infrastructure, existing in a variety of forms since 1917, to provide America with the ability to plan and operate an emergency conscription program.

# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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To: Representative John Coghill, Chairman, State Affairs

From: Representative Lisa Murkowski

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Lisa Murkowski".

Date: February 19, 2002

Re: HB 305

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Please schedule House Bill 305 "An Act prohibiting certain state employment, a student loan, or a permanent fund dividend for a person who fails to register for the military selective service; and providing for an effective date" for a hearing in the House Standing Committee of State Affairs as soon as possible.

Included with the request is:

- 1) HB 305
- 2) Blank CS for HB 305
- 3) Fiscal Note
- 4) Sponsor Statement
- 5) Letters of Support
- 6) Informational Testimony

Thank you for your consideration.

**HB**

**314**

# Alaska State Legislature

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## Representative Lesil McGuire

*House District 17*

### SPONSOR STATEMENT

#### HB 314

**“An Act relating to service in the peace corps as an allowable absence from the state for the purposes of eligibility for permanent fund dividends; and providing for an effective date.”**

Alaskans are known for their volunteer spirit. Our young people often consider serving their country as a way to give back what this country has given to them. Many serve in the military, while others choose to make conditions better for someone else by devoting two years of their lives to the Peace Corps. Like military service, the Peace Corps has played a major role in promoting democracy in other countries. But we the legislature, have overlooked this valuable service to our country.

Alaska college students, those taking care of a loved one outside or being a merchant marine, all qualify as exemptions when applying for the Permanent Fund Dividend. Spending two years of your life in a third world country as a Peace Corps' volunteer not only means going without your P.F.D., it also means that as a volunteer, you are not paid a salary. Instead, you receive a stipend to cover your basic necessities – food, housing expenses, and local transportation. At the conclusion of your service as a volunteer, you will receive a “readjustment allowance” of \$225 for each month of service. The annual dividend check would help these men and women to better their lives while they are serving our country and helping those less fortunate.

Additionally, the committee substitute before you adds language to existing statute that will give the Department of Revenue a new tool for enforcing fraud. For many years we have tried to catch and prosecute those who would lie and cheat to get a check, only to be frustrated by an overcrowded and costly court system.

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CSHB 314 amends the application period from January 2 to January 1. This change is due to the fact that applicants could not file for their PFD electronically until recently, and had to wait to file a paper application until January 2.

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**TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION**

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**Referred:**

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 Bill Version: HB314  
 () Publish Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): \_\_\_\_\_ Dept. Affected: Revenue  
 Title PFD Eligibility for BRU Revenue Operations  
Peace Corps Volunteers Component Permanent Fund Dividend  
 Sponsor Representative McGuire  
 Requester House State Affairs Component No. 981

**Expenditures/Revenues** (Thousands of Dollars)

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

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

<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>						
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<b>CHANGE IN REVENUES ( )</b>						
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**FUND SOURCE** (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

Estimate of any current year (FY2002) cost: 0.0

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

**POSITIONS**

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

**ANALYSIS:** (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This bill would re-establish service in the Peace Corps as an allowable absence in determining eligibility for the Permanent Fund dividend.

The division does not expect that this legislation would have a fiscal effect on its operations.

Prepared by: Nanci A. Jones, Director Phone 465-2323  
 Division: Permanent Fund Dividend Date/Time 1/30/02 11:25 AM  
 Approved by: Larry Persily, Deputy Commissioner Date 01/30/2002  
 Agency: Department of Revenue

AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE HOUSE  
TO: HB 314

BY REPRESENTATIVE HAYES

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21 Insert "(10) [(9)]"  
22  
23 Page 2, line 16:  
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- 1           Insert "(11) [(10)]"
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- 3   Page 2, line 18:
- 4           Delete "(11)"
- 5           Insert "(12) [(11)]"
- 6
- 7   Page 2, line 20:
- 8           Delete "(12)"
- 9                 Insert "(13) [(12)]"
- 10          Following "(5)"
- 11                 Insert "or (6)"
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- 13   Page 2, line 21:
- 14          Delete "(13)"
- 15          Insert "(14) [(13)]"
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- 17   Page 2, line 22:
- 18          Delete "(5) - (12), [OR] (14), or (15)"
- 19          Insert "(5) - (13), 15, or 16 [(5) - (12) OR (14)]"
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- 21   Page 2, line 24:
- 22          Delete "(14)"
- 23          Insert "(15)"
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- 25   Page 2, line 25:
- 26          Delete "(15)"
- 27          Insert "(16) [(14)]"
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- 29   Page 2, line 28:
- 30          Delete "(1) - (14)"
- 31          Insert "(1) - (15)"

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3 Delete "(3) - (14)"

4 Insert "(3) - (15)"

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6 Page 3, line 2:

7 Delete "(1) - (14)"

8 Insert "(1) - (15)"

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10 Page 3, line 4:

11 Delete "(a)(1) - (14)"

12 Insert "(a)(1) - (15)"

Alaska Department of Revenue  
Permanent Fund Dividend Division

Absences for Service in the Peace Corps

	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
# of Absences reported	24	16	26	28	49*

\*Note – this number may be inflated if a person in the Peace Corps answered yes to both questions –gone for more than 90 days and gone for more than 180 days. Both answers may have been totalled instead of taking the difference between the two.

## Peace Corps Volunteers From Alaska 2002

Fettig, Megan E  
% Nancy Bernard Dept Of State  
2130 Dakar Pl  
Washington Dc 20521-2130  
District: 11-255  
(Senegal)

Resari, Joanna I  
4031 North Star St  
Anchorage Ak 99503  
District: 15-317  
(Bolivia)

Gibson, Rachel C  
221 E 7th Ave #318  
Anchorage Ak 99501  
District: 15-303  
(Jordan)

Stohr, Adrienne M  
1920 Otter St  
Anchorage Ak 99504  
District: 21-409  
(Zambia)

Wilcox, Melinda M  
2930 Sunspot Cir  
Anchorage Ak 99507  
District: 30-363  
(Senegal)

Burrows, Amy E  
9701 Spring Hill Dr  
Anchorage Ak 99507  
District: 18-363  
(Bolivia)

Thornley, Jean B  
925 Coral Ln  
Anchorage Ak 99515  
District: 10-245  
(Lesotho)

Thornley, John D  
925 Coral Ln  
Anchorage Ak 99515  
District: 10-245  
(Lesotho)

Crabtree, Gwentyth M  
Corpul Pacii Moldova  
Str Grigore Ureche 12  
Chisinau 2001 Republica Moldova  
District: 26-457  
(Moldova)

Taylor, Catherine A  
Po Box 772048  
Eagle River Ak 99577-2048  
District: 24-437  
(Mali)

Small, Kristina M  
653 Rangeview Ave  
Homer Ak 99603  
District: 07-171  
(Ecuador)

Calhoun, Maria K  
Po Box 3805  
Homer Ak 99603  
District: 07-173  
(Dominican Republic)

Evans, L J  
Po Box 80073  
Fairbanks Ak 99708-0073  
District: 29-470  
(Philippines)

Wells III, Denmer A  
1261 Viewpointe Dr  
Fairbanks Ak 99709  
District: 29-460  
(Thailand)

Wells, Linda M  
1261 Viewpointe Dr  
Fairbanks Ak 99709  
District: 29-460  
(Thailand)

### Others Not Found In Voter Registration

McCarthy, Andrew – Anchorage  
(Kenya)

Price, Linda – Anchorage  
(Lesotho)

Lawrence, Joran – Anchorage  
(Nicaragua)

Rice, Wendy – Anchorage  
(Cameroon)

To All Alaskans:

People here in Thailand ask me where I'm from, and I proudly answer Alaska, even though I know perfectly well that they are expecting me to say what *country* I am from. I feel however, that maybe Alaska is not as proud of me as I am of it, as I am denied the PFD because I am a Peace Corps Volunteer. I am not considered a resident of Alaska despite the fact that I have all my belongings, furniture, etc. in storage in Alaska, my car and truck are there, my bank account is there, my permanent address is there, and I have a post office box there. I am registered to vote in Alaska. My driver's license (still valid) is Alaskan. After I finish my service in the Peace Corps, I will return to live in Alaska. If I'm not a resident of Alaska, then just exactly where *do* you consider me to be a resident? Thailand? The Thais would disagree with you wholeheartedly. I cannot vote here, nor can I acquire a driver's license here. I need a separate visa every time I enter the country, even if I've just stepped across the border to visit a market for the day. I do not qualify for any of the public health plans, I do not pay income tax to the Thai government. The Peace Corps itself considers me an Alaskan resident. "...Peace Corps volunteers are considered residents of their Home-of-Record state," (Peace Corps Administrative Guide, March 2001).

Now, I will be perfectly honest. I joined the Peace Corps knowing full well that I would be denied the Permanent Fund Dividend, but I joined anyway because principles are more important to me than money. If you don't believe that, consider this: I make \$170 a month here (that works out to \$2040 per year), and I will quote the Peace Corps Administrative Guide regarding our leave policy: "*Volunteers are deemed to be on duty seven days a week...volunteers accrue annual leave at the rate of two days for each month of service.*" That leave policy is the same as standard military personnel, who, I might add, are eligible to receive the PFD. I am obviously not in this job for the money, but to be completely honest, it bothers me that if I volunteer to carry a gun for my country, I get the PFD, but if I volunteer to help others and promote understanding of Americans, I am denied that money.

In addition to the work that I do locally here, I also participate in the Peace Corps World Wise School program, in which volunteers "adopt" a class back in the States in order to exchange cultural information. I send Marilyn Siedschlag's 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class at Hunter Elementary (in Fairbanks) letters, post cards, photos, and other miscellaneous things from Thailand, while she arranges for her students to then ask me questions about my life here. This is all done at my own expense.

It is almost inconceivable to me that I do not qualify for the permanent fund, despite the fact that I consider myself an Alaskan resident AND the Peace Corps considers me an Alaskan resident. I just wish that Alaska considered me a resident. It gets a little lonely out here when no one's willing to claim me.

Sincerely,

Lisa Wells, PCV  
ONPEC Sangkha  
Amphur Sangkha  
Surin, 32150 - Thailand

***Alaska State Legislature***  
***Representative Lesil McGuire***  
***District 17***



State Capitol Rm 418, Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182 Phone (907)465-2995 Fax (907)465-6592

***Memorandum***

To: Representative John Coghill  
Chair, House State Affairs Committee

From: Representative Lesil McGuire

Re: HB 314 Allowable Absence for PFD

Date: February 7, 2002

Thank you for scheduling HB 314 for a hearing on Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, I greatly appreciate it. Yesterday my staff, Sue Stancliff, spoke with your staff, and after much discussion about the inconvenience to the public, showing up to testify only to not be able to hear the bill, it was agreed upon to hold the bill over until next Tuesday when there was an assurance of the committee getting to it. There were phone calls made to the Department of Revenue and to several key people to get the word out that the bill was postponed.

I understand your office called this morning to let us know that the situation had changed, and that not everyone got the word about the postponement, indicating that there were two people who wished to testify. I appreciate the effort made by you to go ahead and hear the bill, however, as I mentioned to you previously, we have a committee substitute to present to the committee, and I felt it was very important to have the Department of Revenue present to testify and answer questions.

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**Subject: Peace Corps**

**Date:** Tue, 05 Feb 2002 10:14:12 -0900

**From:** Justine Bishop <Justine\_Bishop@revenue.state.ak.us>

**To:** Rynniva\_Moss@legis.state.ak.us

Thank you for your work on behalf of the Alaskans who are serving in the Peace Corps. As a Returned Peace Corps Volunteer (RPCV) who served in Guinea-Bissau from 1993-1995, I was very upset when the legislature took the Peace Corps away from the allowable absences for receipt of a Permanent Fund Dividend. I consider it very unjust. The Peace Corps is a Federal program and had been an allowable absence from the beginning of the PFD program until the legislature disallowed it. I am hereby expressing my support for restoring Permanent Fund Dividends for Alaskan residents serving in the Peace Corps.

Sincerely,

Justine Bishop, RPCV Guinea-Bissau 93-95

**Subject: HB 314**

**Date: Tue, 5 Feb 2002 14:20:19 -0900**

**From: cuadra@gci.net**

**To: <Rynnieva\_Moss@legis.state.ak.us>**

Dear Rynnieva:

As we discussed by phone, here is the letter I'm asking you to reproduce and put copies in the packets of House State Affairs Committee members. If you can do so easily, it would be nice to give a copy to each of the bill sponsors also. Thank you so much.

If you can open and print the attachment, that would be best, as the letter barely fits on a single page. The text imbedded in this email, below, is just in case you have trouble opening and reading the attachment, as sometimes can happen.

Elizabeth Cuadra, [cuadra@gci.net](mailto:cuadra@gci.net)  
789-2084

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P.O. Box 33678

Juneau, AK 99803-3678

February 5, 2002

Chairman Coghill and

Members of the House State Affairs Committee

**Re: Supporting HB 314, restoring to Alaska Residents**

the right to continue receiving Permanent Fund

Dividends while serving as **U.S. Peace Corps** Volunteers

I've been an Alaska resident ever since May 1977 when I moved here to practice law. In 1997-1999 I served my country for two years in a South Asian country as a Peace Corps volunteer, having retired a year or so early in order to do so. When I returned to my house in Juneau after the standard 3 months of training and two years of service, I was 66 and convinced Peace Corps service is one of the most satisfying things a senior citizen -- or any citizen -- can do.

The worst thing that happened to me while overseas was the slap in the face that the (then) Legislature gave me by changing the statute to withdraw Peace Corps service as an allowable absence for purposes of receiving the Permanent Fund Dividend. It was worse than the exposure to diseases that sent so many of my peers home with medical discharges; worse than the dangers posed by the Maoist insurgents whose violence caused me and others to be evacuated from several districts of the country and reassigned elsewhere; worse than going without Alaskan salmon, snow, and my husky dog; way worse than going without comforts that are ordinary here (e.g., a refrigerator, water heating for showers, a washing machine, safe and comfortable transport).

And it was incomprehensible to me, because the basic criterion is intent to remain an Alaskan resident. I was still paying the utilities, the mortgage payments, and the property taxes on my home in Juneau, where all my worldly goods remained -- in the care of housesitters -- until my return. My car and my dog remained in Southeast Alaska, in the care of my daughter. I was voting absentee in Alaska elections. I knew I was serving my country just as surely as military personnel do. Yet we PCVs were singled out to lose the PFD. It not only made it harder to keep up the property taxes and utility payments at home -- it really hurt.

President Kennedy said, in his inaugural address, that we all should not ask what our country can do for us, but instead, ask what we can do for our country. And he and Congress proceeded to establish the Peace Corps, which has continued its work for over 40 years now, with volunteers serving in more than 160 countries. President George F. Bush, in his state of the union address, reiterated the importance of volunteer service in the Peace Corps. I would like this Alaska Legislature to recognize, as those two presidents have, that Peace Corps service is service to our country. You can best do that by enacting HB 314.

Sincerely,

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Thursday, February 7, 2002

I would like to congratulate House Members on holding this important committee meeting and for listening to public comment about HB 314, which will hopefully reinclude Peace Corps Volunteers for receiving the Permanent Fund Dividend.

My name is Francis McLaughlin. I was born at Fairbanks Memorial Hospital in 1977 and have been a Fairbanks resident all my life. I live down the street from Senator Wilken and Representative <sup>Revis</sup> helped me <sup>write</sup> do a seismology report in high school. After graduating from college, I applied and was accepted to the U.S. Peace Corps. I did not find out where the Peace Corps would send me until three months before I left for my post. The Peace Corps placed me in a town in the Central Highlands of Guatemala. I was the only non-Guatemalan and English speaking person living in Santiago Sacatepequez. I was the only person that the people of that town will probably ever meet from Alaska. I lived in a one room house with a tin roof. I shared my bathroom, a latrine, with sixteen other people. My town only had access to water three hours a day. While living in Santiago Sac., I successfully organized the community to build a tree nursery which has since produced over 8,000 new avocado trees for the town. All of the trees are planted in fields surrounding the town and some are already producing fruit. I lived as the people did and worked with them side by side. It was a very rewarding experience for me and I hope that the work I did will help the people of Santiago Sac. I know that I will never forget them and that they will never forget me.

During my first year in Santiago Sac. I joined the town soccer team. My neighbor and fellow teammate thought that it would be funny if he told everyone in town that I had played professional soccer in the U.S. Well, the entire town showed up at our first soccer game to see if I was really good and would help Santiago Sac. win all its games. My reputation was confirmed when I scored a left footed shot placed perfectly in the lower right corner of the goal within the first five minutes of the game. Unfortunately, I never scored again during the entire season.

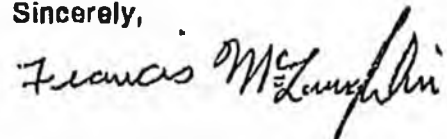
I am sad to say that when I left Fairbanks to become a Peace Corps Volunteer in Guatemala, I was penalized. While serving two years and four months in Guatemala, I was ineligible to receive the Permanent Fund Dividend two years in a row. I worked very hard during my entire service to be a good representative of my family, state, and country and to help the rural Mayan people of Santiago Sacatepequez. I should not have lost my Dividend for being a Peace Corps Volunteer. Everyone can come up with a reason why they need the Dividend and I am no different. I have four years of Alaska Student Loans to pay off and the interest on these loans has continued while I was a volunteer. I was allowed to defer the principle of the loan but not the interest. So my debt has grown while I was working and earning next to nothing in

Guatemala.

Why are Peace Corps Volunteers and Olympic Athletes from Alaska penalized for representing their State while working abroad? I know that other Alaskans, my neighbors here in Fairbanks and elsewhere throughout the state, value public service and do not believe that Peace Corps Volunteers and Olympic Athletes should be penalized for the important job that we do. I believe that Peace Corps Volunteers and Olympic Athletes should receive the Dividend and those who have already been stripped of the Dividend like me should be given it back retroactively. The amount of money that this would be is very small because there are very few Peace Corps Volunteers and Olympic Athletes. Believe me, we are very deserving of the Dividend and need it too. I support HB 314, however, I would amend it to include Olympic Athletes and give us the Dividend retroactively for the three years that we were ineligible.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



Francis McLaughlin

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February 2, 2002

Representative John B. Coghill  
Chair, House State Affairs Committee  
State Capitol  
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Representative Coghill,

I am a constituent writing in regards to House Bill 314 that pertains to Alaskan Peace Corps Volunteers being eligible to receive their Permanent Fund Dividends. Alaskan PCVs were originally eligible to receive the PFD until 1998, at which point they were removed from the list of absent Alaskan residents permitted to continue receiving the PFD and the merchant marines were added. The United States Peace Corps is a completely voluntary governmental service, just as the military is and the removal of Peace Corps Volunteers from this list is unacceptable. If they were to be added once again to the eligibility list, the reduction, if any, of the amount of each check would only be a matter of pennies. To be exact, in 2000 and 2001, each check would have been only eight cents smaller.

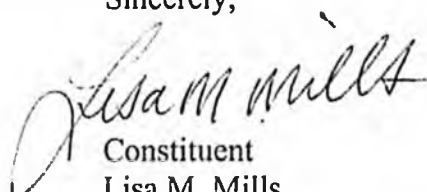
Now more than ever, Americans need to commit to service in organizations such as the Peace Corps and Americorps. President Bush recently stated in his State of the Union speech that the government intends to double the size of the Peace Corps in the next five years. If Alaskans cannot receive their PFD while serving their country in the Peace Corps, that will indeed deter them from joining. Alaskans need to continue to contribute to the United States' efforts to encourage development, education, and opportunity in developing nations and by reinstating Peace Corps Volunteers on the list of those eligible to receive the PFD, you will be helping to do just that. If you do not support House Bill 314, the state of Alaska will be greatly underrepresented in these efforts.

I served in the United States Peace Corps for 2 years and 8 months in the country of Haiti, the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. There I volunteered to represent the United States of America while bridging the gap of understanding between Haitians and Americans. I helped the local people of my village in various projects that included basic sanitation and education. I endured several illnesses and hardships while at the same time learned a lot about how others view Americans and how easily misconceptions can arise in regards to nationality and race. Peace Corps Volunteers are out in the real world doing the work that needs to be done to make this planet a healthier place in all senses of the word. Peace Corps Volunteers are trying to make the world a place of Peace, even in the midst of war and strife. These Volunteers have voluntarily given a minimum of 2 years of their lives as a service to their country for the past 40 years.

I will close by saying that I have no personal stake in this issue, I am a Returned Peace Corps Volunteer, already having done my service and I am a very recent resident of the great state of Alaska. House Bill 314 will not personally affect me financially, but I know of several young and enthusiastic Alaskans that are considering joining the Peace Corps and have hesitated because of this issue. It would be a great loss and disappointment to the United States and to the global community for these people to decide not to join this vitally important organization.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lisa M. Mills". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the left of the typed name.

Constituent  
Lisa M. Mills  
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Haiti 98-00

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cc: Representatives Fate, James, Stevens, Wilson, Crawford, and Hayes.

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To: Representative John Coghill  
From: David Moore  
Director United Campus Ministry  
University of Alaska Fairbanks

Regarding: House Bill No. 314

My name is David Moore and I am the Director of United Campus Ministry at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. I am testifying on behalf of all twenty-six Alaskans who are currently serving in the Peace Corp. I am specifically speaking on behalf of Denny and Lisa Wells who were active in United Campus Ministry from 1994 through 1998 and are currently serving our nation in Surin, Thailand.

On Sunday I read in the newspaper an article about how Peace Corp volunteers were acting as diplomats to other nations. I found this article intriguing because it quoted both U.S. Senators as well as Representatives, and both Democrats and Republicans as they spoke about the many benefits of the Peace Corp. The article went on to say that there are 7,000 Peace Corp volunteers deployed from here in the United States. It was interesting that they used the word "Deployed". I have always thought of that as a term use for our armed forces. President Bush in the light of new world tensions wants to more than double this number to 15,000. He also wishes to increase the Peace Corp budget from \$275 million to \$475 million over the next five years. He realizes the importance of supporting these individuals as they strive to make the world a better place. In the Post 9-11 world it is also important for us as Alaskans to support our residents who wish to show the world that we are a good nation.

The Peace Corp is an entirely voluntary government service, just like the military. Denny and Lisa are both very sharp young individuals who could make big bucks in the corporate world. But they chose to serve our nation to make the world a better place. They choose to serve our state by corresponding with 2nd graders from Hunter Elementary School here in Fairbanks. I am sure that when they return home they will share the gifts they have received from the Peace Corp with individuals from our state. They will share the gift of the Thai culture, the gift of understanding, and the gift of information.

I have personally benefited from Peace Corp volunteers from their stories, their knowledge, and their insight. I believe abroad as well as right here in Alaska thousands have reaped rewards from this valuable program. I believe that we should show our resident Peace Corp volunteers our support by sharing 8 cents a piece so that they might have their rightful dividend.

Sincerely,

  
David Moore

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OFFERED IN THE HOUSE

BY REPRESENTATIVE HAYES

TO: HB 314

1 Page 1, line 1:

2 Delete "as an allowable absence"

3 Insert "and to receiving certain rehabilitative education as allowable absences"

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5 Page 2, line 7, following "(6)":

6 Insert "receiving rehabilitative education for which, as determined by the  
7 Department of Education and Early Development, a comparable program is not  
8 reasonably available;

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- 11                 Insert "or (6)"
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## Representative Lesil McGuire

*House District 17*

### MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative John Coghill  
Chair, House State Affairs Committee

FROM: Representative Lesil McGuire

DATE: February 8, 2002

RE: HB 314  
"An Act relating to service in peace corps as an allowable absence from the state for purposes of eligibility for permanent fund dividends."

I respectfully request that HB 314 be scheduled for a hearing in the House State Affairs Committee.

Attached are the following back up:

1. Sponsor Statement
2. HB 314
3. Blank CS - work draft 22-LS1129\C
4. Dept. of Revenue - "Absences for service in Peace Corps"
5. List of Volunteers from Alaska 2002
6. Letter, Lisa Wells

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me personally, or my staff Sue Stancliff at ext. #4695.

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February 12, 2002

RE: H.B 314

Peace Corps-PFD

BEFORE THE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

COGHILL, CHAIR  
FATE, JAMES, STEVENS, WILSON, CRAWFORD, HAYES

TESTIMONY OF RUSSELL W. WALKER

My name is Russell W. Walker. I reside at 9730 Arlene Street, Anchorage, Alaska 99502 -Telephone 243-4980 ( e-mail: alaska\_walker@hotmail.com).

I have been a permanent resident of Alaska for 23 years.

When the legislature promulgated provisions regarding qualifications to receive a Permanent Fund Dividend ("PFD"), it was determined various exemptions from PFD disqualifications were necessary. One such exemption was an Alaska residents service in the United States Peace Corps.

In 1998 the legislature amended Chapter 44 (AS 23.40.10 et.seq) to provide that the spouses and dependents of students, military personnel, and certain other Alaska residents who are temporarily out of Alaska and who would otherwise qualify for a PFD would not be disqualified by reason of such absence. At the same time, however, the exemption for Peace Corps service in a foreign country on behalf of the United States was deleted. Thus the spouse of a college student going to school in New York, or a wife (and all the children) of a person in the military who is assigned to Kaneohe Naval air base in Hawaii or in Guam, etc., would continue to receive a PFD and a Peace Corps volunteer working on behalf of the United States in a remote village in Zambia or Uzbekistan would not. This is not rational, logical or reasonable.

Peace Corps volunteers have in the past and continue to play a critical role in advancing the national interests of the United States and do so at significant personal risk to the volunteer, including disease, assaults, banditry, and in some cases kidnapping and murder. During my recent two years in the Peace Corps in East Africa(1999-2001) virtually 90% of the volunteers in my group of 42 were either robbed, burglarized, assaulted, mugged or shot at ---some several times.

Serving in Mali, Zimbabwe, Uganda, Uzbekistan or any of the many other third world areas where Peace Corps people work can, to say the least, be very hazardous to your health.

The events of September 11 have dramatically emphasized the lack of understanding by much of the third world of the views regarding equality, freedom, openness, ethnic diversity, human rights and other core principles of the United States. It is equally as important for the people of the United States to understand the thinking of people in other parts of the world, their religious beliefs and their basic needs for survival under extremely difficult circumstances.

President Bush, in his recent State of the Union address, strongly emphasized the major national interests advanced by Peace Corps volunteers serving in developing countries. He also noted the significant contributions made by each volunteer in furthering this national interest, and stated his intent to expand the program.

Having spent a significant amount of time outside of the United States including my recent two years in the Peace Corps in Africa in a remote village with no electricity, running water, sewerage, etc., I can assure you that the Peace Corps programs, where the volunteers live in the local village at the same local subsistence level and work with and are assimilated into the village, are tremendously effective in reaching the local people.

A Peace Corps volunteer fields literally hundreds of questions daily about life in the United States (and in my case also Alaska), our political and justice systems, human rights and many other social issues. The Peace Corps volunteer who actually lives for two years in the village under the same conditions as the villagers is truly the most "hands-on" representative of our country there to help alleviate the devastating poverty and health conditions that exist. Many times they themselves succumb to the risks --malaria, AIDs, typhoid, robbery, etc., and in some cases murder.

During my service I provided training to villagers in small enterprise development, such as how to seek small amounts of funding (to buy a cow, make and sell mud bricks, etc.) from various embassies and NGOs, and other ways to generate a small amount of money in a environment with no electricity, no running water, and no indoor sanitation. I also arranged for a 15 year old student to spend a year here in Anchorage (Dimond high school) as a Girdwood Rotary international exchange student, and am currently paying the school fees for a very bright young orphan girl who was forced to leave school because her aunt, who is raising her own and several other children could not pay the school fees that must be paid by all students. If the fees are not paid the children are sent back to their village where, if a girl, she will be sold for a "bride price" or in many cases end up on the street.

The majority of Peace Corps volunteers are recent college graduates who leave college burdened with a large education debt, which is accruing interest during their absence. If they stayed in Alaska and did nothing to further U.S. interests abroad, they would receive a PFD and could apply it to the debt- if they went to Haiti to represent the United States, the debt increases.

It is also well to note that because of the timing of the mid year commencement of service (27 months), the volunteer currently loses four (4) years of the permanent fund dividend. There are but a very few Peace Corps volunteers who come from Alaska at any given time and granting qualification would not only be rational and fair, it would have absolutely no impact at all on the state treasury as all amounts paid would come 100% from the permanent fund--not from the general fund.

We would therefore urge the legislature to do the right thing and reinstate the exemption from PFD disqualification for service in the Peace Corps.

Sincerely,

  
Russell W. Walker

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Feb. 18, 2002

Representative John Coghill, chairman  
House State Affairs Committee

Dear Representative Coghill:

Although there are many critical issues facing the Legislature I urge you to pass HB 314, introduced by Maguire and Davies, thereby rectifying a serious injustice done to Alaskans serving in the US Peace Corps.

After living in Juneau for 40 years I entered the US Peace Corps as a retired teacher. Throughout the two years and three months that I was a Peace Corps volunteer in Paraguay I considered it a great honor that my country had given me the opportunity to live and work in another country. Of course, I also considered it an honor and my good fortune to be a U.S. citizen. I never wondered where home was. The beauty of this land and the strength of friendships in Alaska helped me to fulfill my duties and to live happily in my Paraguayan village.

Importantly I had a home to come home to after 24 years. I had been able to pay my property taxes with the help of the Permanent Fund Dividend. Soon after my return to Alaska Peace Corps service was removed from being an allowable absence for a dividend. If serving in the armed forces of the United

States for pay is an allowable absence, certainly service in the United States Peace Corps ought to qualify as well.

One of the established goals of Peace Corps is for volunteers to return home to share their understanding of the life and culture of their country of service with their community in the United States. With the help of other returned Peace Corps volunteers, we have made more than 150 presentations in Juneau classrooms in the last three years. Once a Peace Corps volunteer, always a Peace Corps volunteer.

It is the same spirit that brought many of us to Alaska in the first place that takes us out into the world as Peace Corps volunteers. I hope that this legislature will honor the work of Alaskans who serve their country through their service in the U.S. Peace Corps by allowing Peace Corps volunteers to receive the Permanent Fund Dividend to which they are surely entitled.

Please let me know how former Peace Corps volunteers, of whom there are many in Alaska, can assist you in the passage of HB 314.

Sincerely,  
Judith Maier  
Judith Maier

# HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)

Date Referred to Committee: January 14, 2002

FURTHER REFERRALS: Finance

Date of Committee Action: 28 Feb 2002

The STATE AFFAIRS Committee considered:

HB 314

HOUSE BILL NO. 314

PFD ELIGIBILITY FOR PEACE CORP VOLUNTEERS

"An Act relating to service in the peace corps as an allowable absence from the state for purposes of eligibility for permanent fund dividends; and providing for an effective date."

Recommends it be replaced with CS HB 314 ( STA ) [  Same Title [  New Title  
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- [  ] attach amendments
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# FISCAL NOTE

**STATE OF ALASKA**  
**2002 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

Fiscal Note Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bill Version: HB314  
 ( ) Publish Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): \_\_\_\_\_ Dept. Affected: Revenue  
 Title PFD Eligibility for BRU Revenue Operations  
Peace Corps Volunteers Component Permanent Fund Dividend  
 Sponsor Representative McGuire  
 Requester House State Affairs Component No. 981

**Expenditures/Revenues** (Thousands of Dollars)

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

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

<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>						
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<b>CHANGE IN REVENUES ( )</b>						
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**FUND SOURCE** (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

Estimate of any current year (FY2002) cost: 0.0

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

**POSITIONS**

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

**ANALYSIS:** (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This bill would re-establish service in the Peace Corps as an allowable absence in determining eligibility for the Permanent Fund dividend.

The division does not expect that this legislation would have a fiscal effect on its operations.

Prepared by: Nanci A. Jones, Director Phone 465-2323  
 Division Permanent Fund Dividend Date/Time 1/30/02 11:25 AM  
 Approved by: Larry Persily, Deputy Commissioner Date 01/30/2002  
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HB 314

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Re: Peace Corps/PFD

Our daughter Adrienne is a PCV in Zambia involved in establishing an aquaculture program. While she was born and raised in Alaska and will be returning when her commitment is finished in December of this year, that is not why we feel the PFD program should be restored for Peace Corps volunteers.

We believe the PFD should be restored because it makes sense to the State of Alaska and the USA. These are some of our brightest and most dedicated young adults. They are the best ambassadors we have at a time when the American image abroad needs all the support it can muster. Adrienne's decision to return to Alaska will not be impacted by the current action or nonaction of the legislature on this issue. She got one of the toughest and most remote assignments in Zambia in part because she is from Alaska and loves our cabin in Skwentna where she learned to live without modern amenities. She's right at home in her mud hut w/o water or electricity in Zambia. She is serving in the Peace Corps as a result of her passion, commitment and patriotism. She does not expect to be rewarded for her efforts through the payment of a PFD. Her service and experiences are her rewards.

The foregoing may not be true for all potential volunteers, however, and to the extent someone's future decision to either enter the Peace Corps or return to Alaska after their service may be impacted by their eligibility for the PFD, it's a small price to pay. These educated and extremely dedicated individuals will be an asset wherever they live, work and raise their families. If eligibility to the PFD program can either encourage them to volunteer in the first place and/or return to Alaska after their service, then the State of Alaska got a great return on its investment. It's a win win proposition for the State. A promoter of Alaskan and American values while they are away and solid productive citizens when they return. If they don't return, you still can't buy the good will and PR they display during their service for the price of a PFD in any other medium.

Following the events of September 11th I was glued to the TV like the rest of the civilized world. Of course I'll never forget the images of that date, however, I'll never forget something else that many who heard it may or may not recall. Walter Cronkite was being interviewed and he was asked a question about how we can counter terrorism. His reply was that we need to change the world's image of America and that starts with programs like the Peace Corps. He said that it is hard to recruit terrorists from a village that's been exposed to American Peace Corps volunteers. I will remember Mr. Cronkite's statement because I was never prouder of my daughter. She doesn't need the PFD to survive and with or without it she will progress and prosper. But it would be a nice way for the State of Alaska to say "Thank you."

Kim & Jeanne Stohr

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