

House Memorials

HOUSE MEMORIAL NO. 2

TO THE HONORABLE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

Your Memorialist, the House of Representatives of the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in regular session assembled, respectfully represents:

WHEREAS, on the 11th day of January, 1937 there was introduced by Delegate A. J. Dimond of Alaska, in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, a Bill designated as H. R. 2520, and entitled, "A Bill to authorize the Territory of Alaska to incur bonded indebtedness and for other purposes"; and

WHEREAS, your Memorialist desires to express its approval of said Bill, H. R. 2520, and desires that the Territory of Alaska shall be in a position to expend funds for immediate necessary public works projects, which the said Territory is not now able to finance; and

WHEREAS, your Memorialist desires that the Territory of Alaska shall be in a position to take its place among the several States and Territories on an equality basis and in every respect perform a full measure of service to effect national recovery and maintain the economic stability of our Government; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of an inhibition in its Organic Act, the Territory of Alaska is precluded from incurring bonded indebtedness and has not been permitted to participate proportionately in the allotments of Federal grants to the extent enjoyed by the States and other Territories; and

WHEREAS, your Memorialist proposes to enact supplementary legislation in keeping with the provisions of H. R. 2520, so that funds becoming available for public works, shall be expended for the following designated classes of public works, according to the following percentages of the whole:

Air fields and air navigation aids and facilities	30%
Highways, roads, trails, bridges, harbor improvements and navigation aids, and unforeseen contingencies and emergencies	40%
Public institutions, including hospitals, schools and other appurtenant structures and facilities	30%

NOW, THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the House of Representatives of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully petitions the Congress of the United States to give favorable consideration to H. R. 2520, in order that, pursuant to the purposes thereof, it do pass.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House, March 11, 1937.