



30th Alaska State Legislature
House Finance Budget Subcommittee
Dept. of Commerce, Community and
Economic Development
FY18 Operating Budget

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**FY2018 HOUSE FINANCE BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE
NARRATIVE REPORT
February 22, 2017**

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS:

The House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Commerce, Community & Economic Development held seven meetings with the department during our review of the FY18 budget request.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

As Chair of the House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development, I recommend that the House Finance Committee accept the Governor's FY18 budget with one amendment and three pieces of intent language.

The budget without amendment totals:

Fund Source: (Numbers Only and dollars are in thousands)

Unrestricted General Funds (UGF)	\$11,536.6
Designated General Funds (DGF)	44,593.2
Other Funds	58,461.7
Federal Funds	20,356.3
Total	\$134,947.8

The Unrestricted General Fund difference from FY15 Management Plan to the FY18 Governor Amended budget is a reduction of \$19.3 million, a decrease of 62.6 percent.

Positions FY18 Governor Amended:

Permanent Full-time	512
Temporary	5
Total	517

The FY18 budget with recommended subcommittee amendment totals:

Fund Source: (Numbers Only and dollars are in thousands)

Unrestricted General Funds (UGF)	\$11,536.6
Designated General Funds (DGF)	45,093.2
Other Funds	58,461.7
Federal Funds	20,356.3
Total	\$135,447.8

I submit the following budget amendments to the House Finance Committee for consideration:

1. Executive Administration; Commissioner's Office; H CED 1

This amendment adds department level intent language related to expanding broadband access across Alaska and providing strategies for promoting broadband infrastructure and financing statewide.

2. Corporations, Business & Professional Licensing; Corporations, Business & Professional Licensing; H CED 2

This amendment adds \$500.0 Receipt Supported Services authorization for Professional Licensing Programs and Boards operational costs.

3. Alaska Industrial Development & Export Authority; Alaska Industrial Development & Export Authority; H CED 3

This amendment adds appropriation level intent language directing the Alaska Industrial & Export Authority to provide a report on the proposed Ambler Mining District Industrial Access project.

4. Regulatory Commission of Alaska; Regulatory Commission of Alaska; H CED 4

This amendment adds appropriation level intent language directing the Regulatory Commission of Alaska to provide a description of how the RCA can promote broadband infrastructure and financing statewide.

OTHER INFORMATION:

One proposed amendment that I have not put forward for consideration by the House Finance Committee would have eliminated all General Fund funding for the Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute. It also would have reduced excess Statutory Designated Program Receipt authorization by \$1 million.

GOVERNOR'S AMENDMENTS

The Governor did not submit any amendments for DCCED's budget.

ATTACHED REPORTS:

Transaction Detail – House Structure Amendments Recommended by Subcommittee
Allocation Summary – House Structure

Respectfully submitted,



Representative David Guttenberg, Chair
House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Commerce, Community &
Economic Development