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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
FY18 SENATE FINANCE BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE NARRATIVE REPORT
March 13, 2017

DISTRICT 0

Bear Creek

Cooper Landing

Crown Point

Funny River

Hope

Kalifornsky

Kenai

Lowell Point

Mackey Lake

Moose Pass

Nikiski

Primrose

Ridgeway

Salamatof

Seward

Soldotna

Sterling

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Senate Finance Budget subcommittee for the Department of Public Safety submits a recommended operating budget for FY18 to the Senate Finance Committee as follows:

	FY17Mgtplan	FY18 GovAmd	FY18SenSub
Unrestricted General Funds	\$155,744.5	\$154,567.7	\$155,039.4
Designated General Funds	\$7,564.3	\$9,851.4	\$9,851.4
Other Funds	\$14,407.9	\$15,098.0	\$15,298.0
Federal Funds	\$10,806.7	\$12,138.0	\$12,138.0
TOTAL	\$188,553.4	\$191,655.1	\$192,326.8

BUDGET ACTION:

The subcommittee for the Department of Public Safety analyzed the Governor's budget and recommends the following changes from the Governor's amended FY18 request:

The governor requested a decrement of \$403.1 and 3 positions in Alaska State Trooper (AST) Detachments. The subcommittee accepts \$177.2 and 2 PFTs of the requested reduction. The subcommittee denies \$225.1 of the decrement and one

position and allocates the funding and position to the SW Drug and Alcohol Enforcement Unit.

The governor requested a decrement of \$245.8 and two wildlife troopers. The subcommittee denies the decrement request, instead proposing the following:

- Maintaining one of the wildlife troopers and \$121.4 of funding; and
- Transferring the remaining \$124.4 and one position to AST Detachments.

In order to fund 3 additional 'blue shirt' trooper positions, the subcommittee makes the following transfers:

- Transfer \$121.4 UGF from the Alaska Fire Standards Council to AST detachments
- Transfer \$200.0 UGF from VPSO's to AST Detachments
- Transfer \$200.0 UGF from CDVSA to AST Detachments
- Transfer \$200.0 UGF from the Training Academy to AST Detachments

The net effect of all of the above actions is five additional blue shirts and one additional wildlife trooper compared to the governor's amended budget.

Additionally, the subcommittee adds \$200.0 of Statutory Designated Program Receipt authority to the Training Academy to offset the reduction in UGF.

WORDAGE:

Conditional Language:

Directed that \$200.0 of CDVSA funding go towards grants for the Batterer's Intervention Program.

Intent Language:

Alaska Police Standards Council—reduce the subsidy for non-state entities who send recruits to training programs

Alaska Fire Standards Council—increase fees to pay for more of its program costs

Training Academy—increase collection of fees from non-state sources to help cover the cost of the program

Commissioner's Office—submit a report by November 15th, 2017 that details a plan which identifies trooper coverage gaps and barriers to success of the organization, including ways to increase trooper recruitment and retention. Further, it should outline what is needed to meet the Alaska Constitutional intent of public safety through adequate AST coverage, and how the VPSO program could serve as a training feeder into the AST organization to leverage resident hire, training and regional representation.

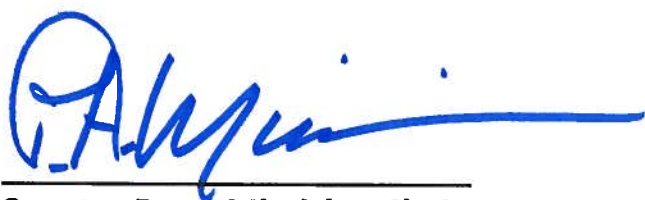
ATTACHED REPORTS:

Legislative Finance 2017 Legislature-Operating Budget

#1 Transaction Detail-Senate Structure ssub Amends Column

#2 Allocation Summary-Senate Structure

#3 Wordage



**Senator Peter Micciche, Chair
Senate Finance Public Safety Subcommittee
March 13, 2017**