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30th Alaska State Legislature House Finance Budget Subcommittee Department of Transportation & Public Facilities FY19 Operating Budget

HOUSE FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC FACILITIES SUBCOMMITTEE FY2019 HOUSE FINANCE BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE NARRATIVE REPORT February 22, 2018

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS:

The House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities held 5 meetings with the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities during the review of the FY19 budget request.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Chair of the House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Transportation submits a recommended operating budget for FY2019 to the House Finance Committee as follows:

Fund Source: (dollars are in thousands)	
Unrestricted General Funds (UGF)	\$178,621.5
Designated General Funds (DGF)	\$97,972.1
Other Funds	\$306,846.7
Federal Funds	\$2,118.2
Total	\$585,558.5

The Unrestricted General Fund (UGF) difference from the FY2015 Management Plan to the FY2019 House Subcommittee budget recommendation is a reduction of \$99,983.1, a 35.9% decrease.

Positions:

Permanent Full-time Permanent Part-time	2,912 337
Temporary	130
Total	3,379

GOVERNOR'S AMENDMENTS:

There were no Governor amendments for the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities.

SUBCOMMITTEE'S AMENDMENTS:

The following budget amendments are submitted by the Subcommittee Chair to the House Finance Committee for consideration:

- 1) Increment for \$690.0 of Unrestricted General Fund (UGF) to Highways, Aviation and Facilities, Southcoast Region Highways and Aviation for transferring the Adak Airport into the Operating Budget.
- 2) One Time Increment for \$52.0 of Adak Air Operations (FED) to Highways, Aviation and Facilities, Southcoast Region Highways and Aviation for transferring the Adak Airport into the Operating Budget.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

The House Finance Subcommittee for the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities recommends funding the Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS) at a level that provides predictability and stability in their service levels.

- 1) In addition to the Governor's request; the Alaska Marine Highway Fund should be capitalized with \$35 million.
 - a. This funding should be available for the AMHS peak performance months of May through September;
 - *b.* Ensuring funding through peak performance months provides reliable scheduling, resulting in increased ridership and therefore increased cost recovery.

ATTACHED REPORTS:

The House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Transportation adopts the attached reports:

- 1) Transaction Detail Report House Structure (HSub Amends)
- 2) Allocation Summary House Structure
- 3) Multi-Year Agency Allocation Summary Operating Budget

Respectfully submitted,

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Representative Neal Foster, Chair

House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Transportation & Public Facilities