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Vote:

6 Yes, 0 No, 3 Absent

## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH RESOLUTION 2004-015

## A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LEGISLATION MANDATING THAT FISCAL NOTES CONSIDERING IMPACT ON LOCAL TAXPAYERS BE REQUIRED FOR ALL STATE OF ALASKA LEGISLATION AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS THAT COULD HAVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS ON SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

- WHEREAS, fiscal notes formally calculate the fiscal impacts of proposed legislation and administrative actions and, currently, the State of Alaska only requires fiscal notes for impacts on the State budget, with no provision to protect and inform local taxpayers; and
- WHEREAS, information provided in fiscal notes can be useful for decision making even when dollar estimates are not possible; and
- WHEREAS, Article X Section 14 of the Alaska Constitution charges the executive branch of the State government with the responsibility to "advise and assist local governments"; and
- **WHEREAS,** as the governor and legislature search for ways to reduce State spending, it is likely that some proposed measures will affect local taxpayers through economic impacts on school districts and local governments;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

- **SECTION 1.** Fiscal notes should be required for all legislation or administrative actions that could affect local taxpayers through economic impacts on school districts and local governments.
- **SECTION 2.** Fiscal notes for local economic impacts should be prepared at the same time as fiscal notes for State government impacts, and the fiscal note process should include notification of school district and local government administrators and finance officials.
- **SECTION 3.** Fiscal notes shall, whenever possible, cite the separate effect for each school district or local government jurisdiction affected, in dollar amount for the current fiscal year and estimates for the next two succeeding fiscal years.

**SECTION 4.** Copies of this resolution will be sent to Governor Murkowski and the Alaska State Legislature upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 3RD DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2004.

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Pete Sprague, Assembly Presiden

ATTEST: