Appropriation: Village Safe Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Projects

## **Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

This project provides funding for first time service grants to communities to plan, design, and construct drinking water and sanitation facilities.

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Total: \$30,900,000 \$30,900,000 \$30,900,000 \$30,900,000 \$30,900,000 \$30	,900,000 \$185,400,000

State Match Required One-Time Project	Phased - new	🗖 Phased - underway 🛛 🔽 On-Going	
0% = Minimum State Match % Required	Amendment	Mental Health Bill	

Operating & Maintenance Costs:	Amount	Staff
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	0	0

## **Prior Funding History / Additional Information:**

Sec1 Ch16 SLA2013 P63 L15 SB18 \$30,900,000 Sec1 Ch17 SLA2012 P113 L28 SB160 \$30,900,000 Sec1 Ch5 SLA2011 P81 L25 SB46 \$29,791,751 Sec1 Ch43 SLA2010 P23 L30 SB230 \$29,100,000

## **Project Description/Justification:**

The Facility Construction component within the Division of Water provides technical and financial support to Alaska's communities to design and construct drinking water and sanitation facilities. Communities apply each year to the state for grants for these projects. Applications are scored based primarily on the extent to which proposed projects address critical public health needs, as well as the communities' capacity to operate and maintain the facilities. High ranking projects are placed on a multi-year priority list, which identifies projects to receive funding over the next several years. The majority of project awards made under this program are eligible for grant funds made available to the state through the federal government. A portion of the federal grant monies available require the state to appropriate matching funds.

Each year communities propose more projects than available state funding. When projects are proposed, total costs are estimated based on the best information available but are subject to change.

Balances in these projects may be shifted to other projects that were underestimated or, applied to other approved projects on the waiting list based on a first-ready, first-served basis.

A portion of federal and state match funds may be used for the planning and development of alternative safe drinking water and sanitation technologies.