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Governor Mike Dunleavy  
STATE OF ALASKA

June 22, 2021

The Honorable Louise Stutes  
Speaker of the House  
Alaska State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 208  
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Speaker Stutes:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to State operating and capital appropriations for Fiscal Year 2022, making an appropriation from the Permanent Fund Earnings Reserve Account for the payment of Permanent Fund dividends for Fiscal Year 2022, making supplemental appropriations for Fiscal Year 2021, and providing for effective dates.

Absent a valid appropriation bill to fund operating expenses by July 1, 2021, most state government programs will be forced either to cease operations or make unauthorized expenditures under Article IX, Section 13, of the Alaska Constitution. This appropriation bill funds government operations, including strategic investments in public safety and emergency management, and funds K-12 education per the statutory formula, and does so starting July 1, if passed with the appropriate effective date.


This appropriation bill contains budget measures that passed the legislative bodies during the first regular legislative session of the Thirty-Second Legislature. Exceptions in this bill include changes to the fund source for items that were funded from the Constitutional Budget Reserve and Statutory Budget Reserve accounts, and changes to the Fiscal Year 2022 Permanent Fund Dividend (PFD). The PFD amount has been adjusted to reflect 50 percent of the five percent Permanent Fund percent of market value (POMV), and has been appropriated from the Earnings Reserve account. This dividend amount is an attempt to reconcile the existing tension between the PFD statute and the POMV statute while the legislature and my administration continue to work on a long-term structural solution this year.

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Finally, once the legislature has passed and transmitted the Fiscal Year 2022 operating and capital appropriations bills, I will conduct a thorough analysis and veto review.

Sincerely,

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Mike Dunleavy  
Governor

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Senate President  
Alaska State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 111  
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