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Governor Mike Dunleavy  
STATE OF ALASKA

February 17, 2023

The Honorable Gary Stevens  
Senate President  
Alaska State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 111  
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear President Stevens:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to appropriations for the state's operating expenses for fiscal year 2023.

This appropriation bill includes supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2023 that are of an urgent nature. I am requesting expedited consideration of these items to ensure the state's continued ability to provide for fair and speedy trials and to ensure the timely delivery of supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP) benefits to Alaskan's in need.

I look forward to working with the Legislature on the prompt passage and implementation of these items.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike Dunleavy".

Mike Dunleavy  
Governor

Enclosure

**SENATE BILL NO.**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

**BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR**

**Introduced:**

**Referred:**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act making supplemental appropriations, reappropriations, and other**  
2 **appropriations; amending appropriations; and providing for an effective date."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 \* **Section 1.** DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION. (a) The sum of \$2,285,200 is  
5 appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Administration, legal and advocacy  
6 services, office of public advocacy for the cost of implementation of chapter 44 SLA 2022 for  
7 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.

8 (b) The sum of \$825,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of  
9 Administration, legal and advocacy services, office of public advocacy to address case  
10 backlogs for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2023 and June 20, 2024.

11 (c) The sum of \$833,800 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of  
12 Administration, legal and advocacy services, public defender agency for the cost of  
13 implementation of chapter 44 SLA 2022 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.

14 (d) The sum of \$750,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of

1 Administration, legal and advocacy services, public defender agency to address case backlogs  
2 for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2023 and June 20, 2024.

3 \* **Sec. 2.** DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. The sum of \$6,821,700 is appropriated to the  
4 Department of Health, division of public assistance, public assistance field services for  
5 Medicaid eligibility redeterminations and public assistance program application processing  
6 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, from the following sources:

7 (1) \$3,733,000 from federal receipts;

8 (2) \$3,088,700 from the unobligated and unexpended balance of the general  
9 fund appropriation made in sec. 1, ch. 11, SLA 2022 page 23, line 31, and allocated on page  
10 24, line 16.

11 \* **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).