

Date: 4-7-98ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AR NO. 98-120 (as amended)

A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RE-EMPHASIZING ITS
OPPOSITION TO SENATE BILL 259, Version dated 4/4/98, Item Q, AN ACT RELATING TO
THE MEMBERSHIP OF AND THE STATE'S PARTICIPATION IN A METROPOLITAN
HIGHWAY PLANNING ORGANIZATION, AND REQUESTING THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO
DIRECT A LARGER SUM OF Federal Highway MONEY TO ANCHORAGE.

The Anchorage Assembly finds that:

WHEREAS, the current Metropolitan Highway Planning Organization consists of two
Assemblymembers, the Mayor, and two representatives from the State of Alaska (Department of
Transportation and Department of Environmental Conservation); and

WHEREAS, the Municipality and the State currently have a balanced and cooperative
working relationship in the development of transportation and air quality plans; and

WHEREAS, currently, the Municipality and the Governor must agree to any changes in
the existing Metropolitan Highway Planning Organization's membership; so it is unclear as to the
purpose and intent of the proposed changes in Senate Bill 259; version dated 4/4/98, Item Q, and

WHEREAS, the action to change the current AMATS process stands to damage the
cooperative agreement between the State and local governing body, thereby endangering the
ability of AMATS to receive Federal Highway funds; and

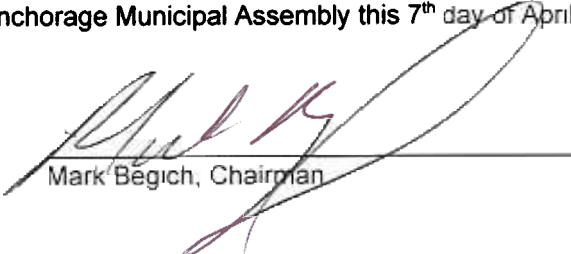
WHEREAS, to best assist the Municipality of Anchorage and the Metropolitan Highway
Planning Organization in receiving a more equitable share of Federal Highway money, the State
Legislature has authority to distribute a larger sum of the appropriation to Anchorage.

NOW THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves:

Section 1: That the Anchorage Assembly re-emphasizes its opposition to Senate Bill
259, version dated 4/4/98, Item Q, which modifies the membership of and
the State's participation in a Metropolitan Highway Planning Organization.

Section 2: That the State Legislature is requested to direct a larger sum of federal
highway money to Anchorage.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Municipal Assembly this 7th day of April
1998.


Mark Begich, Chairman

Attest:


Municipal Clerk