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[Report No. 110–476]

To amend the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1996 to modify the grant program to improve sanitation in rural and Native villages in the State of Alaska.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 8, 2007

Ms. MURKOWSKI introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

SEPTEMBER 22 (legislative day, SEPTEMBER 17), 2008

Reported by Mrs. BOXER, without amendment

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. GRANTS TO ALASKA TO IMPROVE SANITATION**
2 **IN RURAL AND NATIVE VILLAGES.**

3 Section 303 of the Safe Drinking Water Act Amend-
4 ments of 1996 (33 U.S.C. 1263a) is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating subsection (e) as sub-
6 section (h);

7 (2) by inserting after subsection (d) the fol-
8 lowing:

9 “(e) REQUIREMENTS.—As a condition of receiving a
10 grant under this section, the State of Alaska shall—

11 “(1) require each applicant to clearly identify
12 the scope and the goal of the project for which fund-
13 ing is sought and how the funds will be used to meet
14 the specific, stated goal of the project;

15 “(2) establish long-term goals for the program,
16 including providing water and sewer systems to
17 Alaska Native villages; and

18 “(3) carry out regular reviews of grantees to
19 determine if the stated scope and goals of each grant
20 are being met.

21 “(f) REPORTING.—Not later than December 31 of
22 the calendar year following the fiscal year in which this
23 subsection is enacted, and annually thereafter, the State
24 of Alaska shall submit to the Administrator of the Envi-
25 ronmental Protection Agency a report describing the infor-

1 mation obtained under subsection (e) during the fiscal
2 year ending the preceding September 30, including—

3 “(1) the specific goals of each project;

4 “(2) how funds were used to meet the goal; and

5 “(3) whether the goals were met.

6 “(g) REVIEW.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the
8 Environmental Protection Agency shall require the
9 State of Alaska to correct any deficiencies identified
10 in a report under subsection (f).

11 “(2) FAILURE TO CORRECT OR REACH AGREE-
12 MENT.—

13 “(A) IN GENERAL.—If a deficiency in a
14 project included in a report under subsection (f)
15 is not corrected within a period of time agreed
16 to by the Administrator and the State of Alas-
17 ka, the Administrator shall not permit addi-
18 tional expenditures for that project.

19 “(B) TIME AGREEMENT.—

20 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than
21 180 days after the date of submission to
22 the Administrator of a report under sub-
23 section (f), the Administrator and the
24 State of Alaska shall reach an agreement

1 on a period of time referred to in subpara-
2 graph (A).

3 “(ii) FAILURE TO REACH AGREE-
4 MENT.—If the State of Alaska and the Ad-
5 ministrator fail to reach an agreement on
6 the period of time to correct a deficiency in
7 a project included in a report under sub-
8 section (f) by the deadline specified in
9 clause (i), the Administrator shall not per-
10 mit additional expenditures for that
11 project.”; and

12 (3) in subsection (h) (as redesignated by para-
13 graph (1))—

14 (A) by striking “\$40,000,000” and insert-
15 ing “\$42,000,000”; and

16 (B) by striking “2005” and inserting
17 “2010”.

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