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Greetings from Juneau. Budgets are starting to move, and I wanted to give a quick update.

The supplemental budget, which fills gaps resulting from unanticipated expenses and short-funded programs in this year's (FY '00) budget, passed the House unanimously today.

Meanwhile, House Finance subcommittees wrapped up their work on the FY '01 budget. Tomorrow – Saturday, March 4 – the full Finance committee will hold a statewide teleconference on the draft budget. I have many concerns about cuts, including reductions to domestic violence prevention programs, public radio, and foreign trade offices. If you would like to testify on the budget, please use the Anchorage LIO at 716 West Fourth Avenue between 2 and 4 p.m. tomorrow. More information on the budget is available at:

www.akdemocrats.org

In other news, my mid-session newsletter is in the mail and should arrive in the next couple of days. In it, I seek feedback on a number of proposals aimed at bridging our fiscal gap. An electronic copy is available on my web site at:

http://www.akdemocrats.org/bios/berknews1.htm

Finally, I am hosting a District 13 Community meeting in the Inlet View School library on Saturday, March 11 from 11 a.m. to noon. Please come so we can discuss issues important to you.

As always, I hope this update helps to keep you up to speed on the doings in Juneau. Please let me know if I may be of further assistance.

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