

Here are the results of Senator Wagoner's 2003 survey. This total is from combining the online answers with the mail in answers, and only those from the district.

• The budget reductions the Governor has proposed for K-12 education fall into three categories, totaling \$26.7 million. They include the Learning Opportunity Grants (LOG's) at \$20 million, instead of \$30 million; approximately \$10.7 million off the current level of funding for pupil transportation; and funding school debt reimbursement at 90 percent of the normal level, or \$6 million less. Kenai Peninsula schools would receive at least \$1.5 million in cuts. Do you support these reductions?

Yes - 69	23.79%
No - 187	64.48%
Not sure - 34	11.72%

Total - 290

• Do you support the Governor's proposal to increase the University of Alaska's funding by some \$11 million?

Yes - 94	31.97%
No - 157	53.40%
Not sure - 43	14.62%

Total - 294

• The Governor's budget reductions include eliminating the Longevity Bonus Program. Eliminating the program will result in about \$47 million in reductions this fiscal year. Do you support these reductions?

Yes - 101	34.71%
No - 164	56.35%
Not sure - 26	8.93%

Total - 291

• Do you support the Governor's reductions (about \$7.4 million) to Revenue Sharing for municipalities?

Yes - 100	34.60%
No - 132	45.67%
Not sure - 57	19.72%

Total - 289

• The Governor's budget eliminates the Alaska Science and Technology Foundation, placing about \$84 million from that endowment into the general fund. Do you support this elimination?

Yes - 164	56.36%
No - 74	25.43%
Not sure - 53	18.21%

Total - 291

• The Governor's budget proposes certain user fees. Please indicate your level of support for these fees.

+ \$ 7 million: Business License tax from \$25 to \$200 (same since 1959)

Yes - 142	48.63%
No - 133	45.55%
Not sure - 17	5.82%

Total - 292

+\$ 2 million New studded tire fee of \$10 per tire at time of sale.

Yes – 128	44.29%
No – 148	51.21%
Not sure – 13	4.50%

Total – 289

+\$35 million Revised school employment tax (was \$10, proposed at \$100)

Yes – 113	39.37%
No – 138	48.08%
Not sure – 36	12.54%

Total – 287

+\$35 million Seasonal sales tax - summer only (proposed at 1%).

Yes – 175	60.34%
No – 103	35.52%
Not sure – 12	4.14%

Total – 290

+\$10 million Increasing vehicle registration fees.

Yes – 89	30.58%
No – 179	61.51%
Not sure – 23	7.90%

Total – 291

+\$41 million Increase motor fuel tax to 20 cents (8 cents since 1961.)

Yes - 61	21.03%
No – 218	75.17%
Not sure – 11	3.79%

Total – 290

+\$ 7 million New \$15 wildlife pass on paid tourists.

Yes – 175	60.13%
No – 91	31.27%
Not sure – 25	8.59%

Total – 291

- In 1980, the Legislature recognized that excess revenues existed (GF revenues for FY 81 totaled \$4.07 billion) and wisely decided to raise the amount of royalties and bonuses deposited into the Permanent Fund to 50 percent. This surplus of state revenues no longer exists. HB 11 proposes changes to statute, to maintain the 25 percent deposit, as stated in our Constitution. Passage of this bill would generate an estimated \$43.3 million (average) per year over the next seven years, and \$54.1 million in FY 2004 at an estimated \$23.25 per barrel average. Do you support this bill?

Yes – 152	53.90%
No – 75	26.60%
Not sure – 55	19.50%

Total – 282

- Do you support transferring the Habitat Division to the Department of Natural Resources?

Yes – 107	36.90%
No – 127	43.80%
Not sure – 56	19.30%

Total - 290

- In your opinion, is a new highway route around the Cooper Landing area a priority - estimated at about \$42 million?

Yes – 78	30.83%
No – 162	64.03%
Not sure – 13	5.14%

Total – 253

- In your opinion, is a new bridge in Sterling over the Kenai River to Funny River Road a priority -about \$10 million?

Yes - 53	18.15%
No – 217	74.31%
Not sure – 22	7.53%

Total – 292

- Do you support limiting the number of guides on the Kenai River?

Yes – 276	94.52%
No - 9	3.08%
Not sure – 7	2.40%

Total – 292

- Age:

18-30 yrs - 22	7.56%
31-55 yrs – 125	42.96%
56+ yrs – 144	49.48%

Total – 291

- I live in/near

Anchor Point – 3	1.07%
Clam Gulch – 2	0.72%
Funny River – 11	3.96%
Kasilof – 19	6.83%
Kenai – 75	26.98%
Nikiski – 18	6.47%
Ninilchik – 18	6.47%
Soldotna – 97	34.89%
Sterling – 36	12.95%

Total - 278