Bartlett's Amendments Advance

The Senate Appropriations subcommittee on Interior department and related agencies this week approved and sent to full committee four of Senator Bartlett's amendments.

A \$100,000 increase in Public Health Service's Indian health activities budget to establish a preventive and educational Native mental health program for Alaska was one of

the approved amendments.

Also approved was \$82,000 for shrimp research by the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries. The grant includes \$20,000 for research on processing techniques at Ketchikan and \$62,000 to Kodiak on methods to store shrimp on wassals after catch.

A program to initiate anadromous fish conservation and development in cooperation with state and non-governmental agencies is also proposes by Bartlett.

The fourth amendment proved by the subcommittee is a \$50,000 increase in the budget of the Smithsonian Institution Office for Exhibits, which is preparing a traveling exhibit in connection with the Alaska Centennial.

The subcommittee also adopted Sen. Bartlett's proposal instructing the Bureau of Indian Affairs to prepare plans for a dormitory for Native high school students in Fairbanks.