

NATIVE PROGRAMS

More than \$3.7 million for Alaska Native and Indian programs is included in an Interior Department funding bill approved by the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Sen. Ted Stevens, a member of the committee, said the additions were part of the Interior Department's fiscal 1974 supplemental appropriations bill.

The measure would make available \$1 million for the department to advance Alaska Native regional corporations from the Alaska Native Fund created under the Alaska Native Land Claims Settlement Act.

Stevens said the funds would be available for corporation organization, land selection and debt repayment.