



Last night, Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin, bragged on herself for being a reformer saying, " I told the Congress, "Thanks, but no thanks," on that Bridge to Nowhere. If our state wanted to build a bridge, we were going to build it ourselves."

Okay, Sarah, let's see how this worked. You were a small town mayor, whose town of 6,000 had never gotten much Federal largess until you hired one of Sen. Ted Stevens' favorite lobbyists (yes, that [Ted Stevens](#), the one now under Federal indictment), and then you suddenly got more than [\\$12,000 per capita in Federal bucks](#). You then run for governor as a reformer. You tell the Federal government that, you know, that [bridge you gave us \\$230 million to build](#)? Well, we won't build it. Did you [return the \\$230 million to the American taxpayers](#)? No, but you did make a [special refund of \\$1,200 to your fellow Alaskans](#), most of whom are already earning a \$2,000 income directly from the state in the form of oil payments.

So I don't care what sport you root for, Sarah, and I don't fancy pitbulls whether or not they're wearing lipstick. I just want my \$1.00 from that bridge you decided not to build. I figure at least that much of *my* tax dollars went to fund it.