**Fiscal Note**

State of Alaska  
2020 Legislative Session

**Bill Version:** SB 241  
**Fiscal Note Number:** 3  
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**Identifier:** LL0260-DHSS-EP-3-20-2020  
**Title:** EXTENDING COVID 19 DISASTER EMERGENCY  
**Sponsor:** RLS BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR  
**Requester:** Governor  
**Department:** Department of Health and Social Services  
**Appropriation:** Public Health  
**Allocation:** Emergency Programs  
**OMB Component Number:** 2877

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**Expenditures/Revenues**

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.  

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**Fund Source (Operating Only)**

None  

Total: 0.0  

**Positions**

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**Change in Revenues**

None  

Total: 0.0

**Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2020) cost:** 0.0  
**(separate supplemental appropriation required)**

**Estimated CAPITAL (FY2021) cost:** 0.0  
**(separate capital appropriation required)**

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**Does the bill create or modify a new fund or account?** No

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**ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS**

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? No

If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? N/A

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**Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:**

Not applicable. Initial version.

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This bill extends for one year the public health emergency the Governor declared on March 11, 2020 related to the COVID-19 pandemic health response and economic stabilization. The bill is effective immediately and retroactive to April 10, 2020.

This bill will do the following:

- Extends the public health disaster emergency under AS 26.23.020(c) until March 12, 2021. When there is no longer an imminent threat, the Governor shall issue a proclamation ending the disaster emergency.

- Allows the DHSS Chief Medical Officer to issue standing orders related to COVID-19. Standing orders are effective until retracted or the emergency declaration extension ends. The Chief Medical Officer and health care providers are not liable for civil damages for issuing or acting under a standing order, except for misconduct.

- The Governor must submit a monthly report to the Legislature beginning May 1, 2020 identifying all actions taken by the administration related to the prevention, control and status of COVID-19.

- Allows the DHSS Commissioner to waive any state law or regulation related to telehealth or telemedicine if compliance would substantially prevent or impede health care services.

Funding:

To ensure the Department of Health and Social Services has adequate resources the department has included the anticipated spending on response efforts within HB 206 and HB234.