

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2016 Legislative Session

Bill Version: HB 379
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Identifier: HB379-ACS-Various-04-21-16
Title: STATE EMPLOYEE & OFFICER
COMPENSATION
Sponsor: RLS BY REQUEST
Requester: House Finance Committee

Department: Various (for Fiscal Notes only)
Appropriation: Various
Allocation: Court System
OMB Component Number: 0

Expenditures/Revenues

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

(Thousands of Dollars)

| | FY2017 Appropriation Requested | Included in Governor's FY2017 Request | Out-Year Cost Estimates | | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| OPERATING EXPENDITURES | FY 2017 | FY 2017 | FY 2018 | FY 2019 | FY 2020 | FY 2021 | FY 2022 |
| Personal Services | (827.1) | | | | | | |
| Travel | | | | | | | |
| Services | | | | | | | |
| Commodities | | | | | | | |
| Capital Outlay | | | | | | | |
| Grants & Benefits | | | | | | | |
| Miscellaneous | | | | | | | |
| Total Operating | (827.1) | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

Fund Source (Operating Only)

| | | | | | | | |
|---------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 1004 Gen Fund | (815.7) | | | | | | |
| 1037 GF/MH | (11.4) | | | | | | |
| Total | (827.1) | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

Positions

| | | | | | | | |
|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Full-time | | | | | | | |
| Part-time | | | | | | | |
| Temporary | | | | | | | |

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| Change in Revenues | | | | | | | |
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2016) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2017) cost: 0.0 (separate capital appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

Initial version.

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| Agency: | Alaska Court System | | |

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

STATE OF ALASKA
2016 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HB379

Analysis

House Bill 379 eliminates pay step increases for employees in the Judicial Branch, effectively "freezing" their salaries as of July 1, 2016. This fiscal note encompasses the impact to the Alaska Court System, the Judicial Council, and the Commission on Judicial Conduct, and combines OMB components 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, and 2950.

No employees in the judicial branch are covered by collective bargaining agreements. In addition, justices, judges, law clerks, the Administrative Director, and the Deputy Director do not receive pay step increases. This bill therefore affects the wages of every other judicial employee, including clerks and administrators.

Merit and longevity step increases are not funded in the judiciary's base budget; these are absorbed in the judiciary's operations, and are the factors that increase our personal services underfunding each year. We pay these increases to employees by managing open positions, and deliberately holding positions vacant. This note reflects the total impact to the judiciary for FY 17 as \$827,100.

| | FY17 Merit/Longevity Cost |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| RDU | |
| Appellate Courts | 29.1 |
| Trial Courts | 621.2 |
| Administration | 127.1 |
| Subtotal Alaska Court System | 777.4 |
| Therapeutic Courts | 11.4 |
| Subtotal Alaska Court System | 788.8 |
| Alaska Judicial Council | 28.2 |
| Commission on Judicial Conduct | 10.1 |
| Total Judicial Branch | 827.1 |