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Dept. Affected: DCCED
RDU Insurance (116)
Component Insurance
Sponsor Representative Holmes
Requester House Labor and Commerce Committee
Component Number 354

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation Required	Information					
		FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
OPERATING EXPENDITURES							
Personal Services							
Travel							
Contractual							
Supplies							
Equipment							
Land & Structures							
Grants & Claims							
Miscellaneous							
TOTAL OPERATING		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES							
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()							
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF							
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other Interagency Receipts							
TOTAL		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2009) cost: _____

POSITIONS

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

HB 222 will update several sections of Alaska's health insurance code to comply with recent changes made in federal law. These updates include:

- Prohibiting health care insurers from discriminating against individuals on the basis of genetic information.
- Requiring that insurers continue to cover college students under their parents health insurance coverage when the students take leave from school for medical reasons.
- Requiring insurers to provide parity in mental health and substance abuse treatment coverage.
- Updating the definition of dentist for insurance purposes to include dentist who are licensed outside of the State of Alaska.

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ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

- Requiring insurers to allow eligible employees and their dependents to enroll in the employer's health insurance plans when the employee or dependent loses Medicaid or state child health coverage or when an employee or dependent becomes eligible.

These changes will allow the Division of Insurance to enforce the laws when the federal laws go into effect and will have no fiscal impact.