



Reauthorization of  
Technical Vocational Education Program  
Advocacy Information  
University of Alaska





## University of Alaska Technical Vocational Education Program

The Technical Vocational Education Program (TVEP)\* provides grants to high-demand career and technical education entities for industry-specific, on-the-job and classroom training.

UA manages its TVEP funds as a single allocation to initiate or enhance high-priority workforce development programs. The funding must meet the following criteria:

- High-demand and or regional workforce needs
- Increased access and flexibility of training delivery
- Improved persistence of educational progress
- Promote collaboration across the UA System by expanding partnerships



TVEP is used for one-time capital funding, high-demand program expansion and startup of new initiatives.

Industry advisory committees guide the university programs to ensure they meet current employer requirements and assist graduates of both credit and non-credit programs to gain employment upon successful completion.

Significant UA TVEP funding supports these industry clusters:

- Fisheries, agriculture & natural resources
- Mining, manufacturing & process technology
- Science, technology engineering & research
- Energy, environmental science & green Jobs
- Health sciences
- Human services
- Architecture & construction
- Education & training
- Transportation, distribution & logistics

Programs throughout the UA System and across the state receive support annually from UA TVEP funds, impacting thousands of students.

*\*The Alaska Legislature established the TVEP fund in 2000 from a portion of the Unemployment Insurance (U/I) receipts taken by the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development's Employment Securities Division and allocated to UA, DOLWD's Alaska Vocational Technical Education Center (AVTEC) and other Regional Training Centers. This funding will sunset in fiscal year 2014 without legislative reauthorization.*

For more information on TVEP at UA Statewide, contact Associate Vice President of Workforce Programs Fred Villa at 907/450-8008 or [fvilla@alaska.edu](mailto:fvilla@alaska.edu)

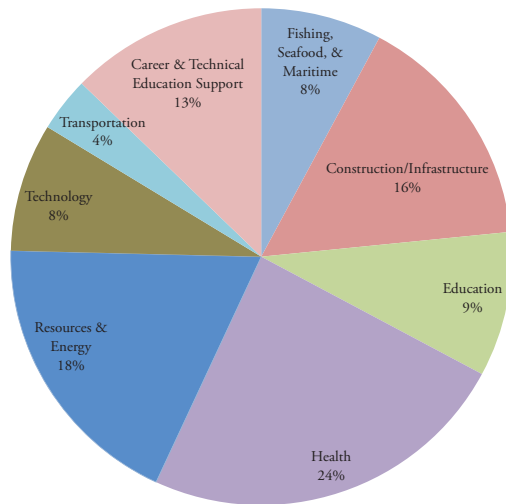


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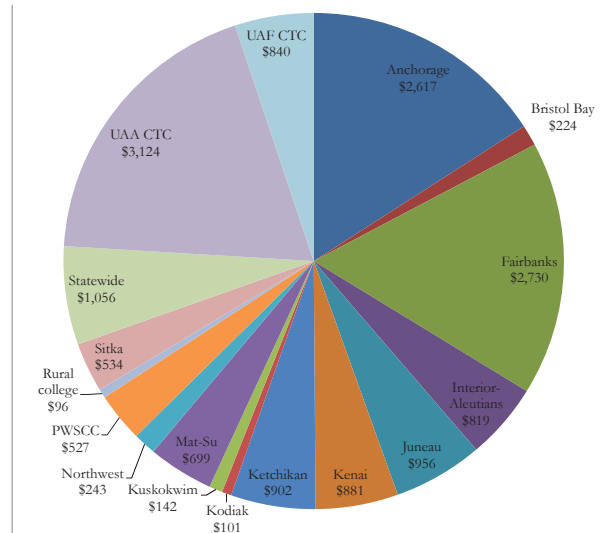


## University of Alaska Technical Vocational Education Program

### TVEP Supports High Priority Industries FY10 - FY13



### TVEP Supports UA's Campuses Statewide (in \$1,000) FY10 - FY13



## UA TVEP Funds Support Regional Workforce Priorities

### Southeast Workforce Priorities:

In Southeast Alaska, TVEP funds have supported industry-identified workforce priorities especially in **marine** transportation and **fisheries** technology. These programs are implemented in alignment with both public and private sector partners, including Vigor Alaska/Ketchikan Shipyard and Icicle Seafoods. The University of Alaska Southeast also works closely with local and regional economic development entities, such as the Southeast Conference and the Juneau Economic Development Council.

### Southcentral Workforce Priorities:

As the University of Alaska's **Health** Campus, UAA has focused a significant portion of their TVEP funds to expand or develop new health programs, such as nursing, ultrasound technology, paramedic training, physical therapy and expanded functions in dental. Many of these health programs are distance delivered and/or offered at rural campuses on a rotating schedule, making this high-demand training available to students across the state.

### Interior Workforce Priorities:

TVEP funding supports the **oil and gas** industries by expanding program delivery and hands-on equipment needs for process technology programs in the Kenai Peninsula, Anchorage and Fairbanks. The funding also goes to the Fairbanks Pipeline Training Center, which is an integral part of the overall success in supporting this workforce priority in Alaska's interior.

### Statewide Workforce Priorities:

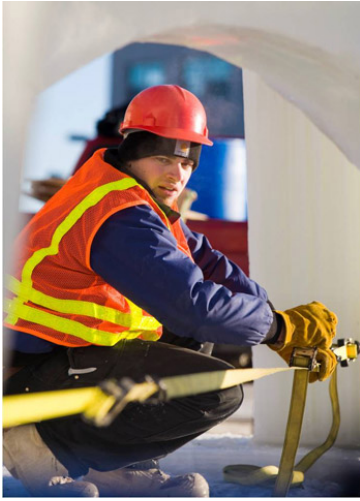
TVEP funding supports the delivery of **Mine** Safety and Health Administration regulatory training across the state and the startup of the University of Alaska Southeast Mine Training Center, which includes a state-of-the-art mine training simulator. TVEP also supports initiatives focused on creating clear education pathways from K-12 to career, many with an emphasis on rural and native student success.





## University of Alaska Statewide 2014 TVEP Program Highlights

### Well Control - UA Mining and Petroleum Training Service (MAPTS)



**TVEP Funding:** \$124,200 for a full-time well control instructor to offer International Association of Drill Contractors (IADC) certified WellCAP and Well Intervention training to various occupations for Alaska's oil & gas industry. MAPTS also received \$50,000 for partial funding of two Mine Safety and Health Administration instructors.

**Overview:** MAPTS well control instructors provide IADC certified WellCAP and Well Intervention classes to drillers, engineers, tool pushers, well site leaders, electricians, motorman, pit watchers and well integrity coordinators who operate on the North Slope, Cook Inlet and various oil and gas fields. MAPTS is one of only two providers of well control training within the state, training 300 Alaska employees each year. Students are employed by Conoco-Phillips, BP, Doyon Drilling, Kuukpik Drilling, Nordic Calista Services, Nabors Drilling, ASRC/AES, among others.

**High-Priority Industries Supported:** Energy and natural resource development

#### **Program Advocacy:**

- *"I need the well control training to move up and it has taught me that it helps to work as a team."* ~ Matthew Gallen, well control student
- *"Using the simulators really helped solidify the concepts and kill techniques."* ~ James Niedermeyer, well control student

### Career & Technical Education (CTE) - UA Statewide

**TVEP Funding:** \$120,000 for a statewide coordinator.

**Overview:** Since 2013 UA has allocated TVEP funds to support its leadership efforts to advance CTE and Career Pathways as the framework to affect student outcomes. The measured outputs respond to high-demand workforce needs, promote cross campus collaboration and aligns with UA's Shaping Alaska's Future initiative. The partnerships with the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education, the Alaska Departments of Education and Early Development and Labor and Workforce Development continue to grow with the TVEP funding. Representation from these agencies has provided ongoing communication, planning and implementation of activities in support of Career Pathways/Programs of Study to agency members and beyond.



## High-Priority Industries Supported: All

### Program Advocacy:

- *"Career Pathways/Programs of Study are helping all youth in Alaska to identify their career passion and develop a plan to achieve their dreams."* ~ Cathy LeCompte, Associate Dean, UAA Community and Technical College

### Future Educators of Alaska (FEA) - UA Statewide



**TVEP Funding:** \$275,000 for program development and support.

**Overview:** FEA is University of Alaska (UA) Statewide's only outreach program specifically designed to recruit indigenous students from Alaska's highest-need school districts into education careers with the goal of increasing Alaska Native educators in the state. Currently there are 500 primarily middle school students participating in 56 FEA clubs within 24 Alaska school districts. This year's funding will help FEA expand these numbers by building FEA clubs for high school students.

## High-Priority Industries Supported: Education and training

### Program Advocacy:

- *"I am a former FEA student. While currently pursuing my B.S. in Elementary Education through the University of Phoenix, I am teaching Unangam Tunuu and History within my local school and advising current high school students as the district FEA Coordinator. I could not express enough gratitude toward the FEA community whose exemplary college-prep program prepares students, like me, to become teachers."*  
~ Anna Melovidov, FEA Coordinator
- *"The benefits for the Alaska Native students participating in the program include increased academic success, increased self-esteem and confidence, improved public speaking ability, and increased interest in the education profession."* ~ Jamie Stacks, former Superintendent of Pribilof School District



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## University of Alaska Anchorage 2014 TVEP Program Highlights

### Health Sciences - UAA College of Health & Community and Technical College

**TVEP Funding:** \$81,000 rural clinical rotations support; \$92,000 health and fitness leadership development towards pre-physical therapy; \$126,100 physical therapy program development; \$35,200 pharmacy program development; \$64,400 nursing tutor coordinator; \$89,700 ultrasound technology faculty; \$81,400 dietetics nutrition faculty; \$41,200 dental faculty.



**Overview:** The Alaska Workforce Investment Board has not only designated health care as a high-priority industry, it also projected continued growth over the next five years due to the over-65 population, continued technological advancements and normal population growth. TVEP funding was distributed across multiple programs within the UAA College of Health to support this growing industry.

**High-Priority Industry Supported:** Health care

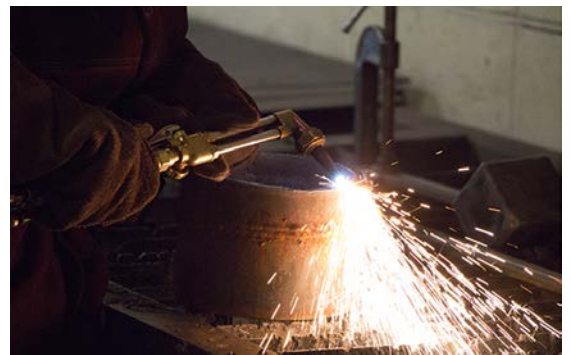
#### **Program Advocacy:**

- *"I grew up in Glennallen and confirmed through my clinical rotation that Fairbanks better meets my lifestyle than Anchorage. I look forward to returning to work in the Fairbanks area."* ~ Abigail Carter, UAA Occupational Therapy student, clinical rotations through UAA's partnership with Alaska's Area Health Education Center
- *"It was only after my clinical rotation in Dutch Harbor at Iliuliuk Family and Health Services that I even considered practicing family medicine in rural Alaska. It changed my perspective and opened my eyes to practicing full-spectrum family medicine in a rural, remote location."* ~ Jessica Porter, M.D., clinical rotations through UAA's partnership with Alaska's Area Health Education Center

### Welding & Nondestructive Testing Technology- UAA Community and Technical College

**TVEP Funding:** \$85,300 for welding & nondestructive testing faculty.

**Overview:** The welding & nondestructive testing program provides cutting-edge instruction that trains future welding and automotive technicians using the latest technology. This program prepares students for technical positions that utilize welding and nondestructive testing skills in Alaska transportation and mineral extraction industries.



## High-Priority Industries Supported: Construction and transportation

### Program Advocacy:

- *"Completing this program is the best decision I ever made. It gave me the skills to enter the workforce and provided an avenue to later pursue a 4-year degree, options I would not otherwise have. I also recently accepted a job on the slope at a fleet shop."* ~ Robert Yokum, completed welding courses as part of his A.A.S. degree in diesel technology

### Process Technology - UAA Kenai Peninsula College

**TVEP Funding:** \$55,700 for a Simtronics Web Simulator that offers students the real-world practice of controlling a process.



**Overview:** The A.A.S. degree in process technology is coordinated by Kenai Peninsula College and delivered collaboratively through UAA and UAF. This degree delivers training that prepares individuals for employment in the process industries of oil and gas production; chemical manufacturing; petroleum refining; power generation and utilities; water and wastewater treatment; seafood and other food processing. Many students take advantage of valuable summer internships with local industry partners, giving them the opportunity to gain practical experience and exposure to a variety of career options. Graduates go to work for companies like BP, Chevron, Shell, ConocoPhillips, ASRC Energy Services, Alyeska Pipeline Service Company, and more.

**High-Priority Industries Supported:** Construction; energy; fisheries, seafood and maritime; natural resource development and transportation

### Program Advocacy:

- *"The process technology degree has helped me prepare over the past two years for my career as an operator. One of the ways this degree has helped me is through Simtronics exercises."* ~ Matthew Bell, process technology student
- *"As a process technology student, real-working situations are learned in the classroom. Being able to learn a process, study a diagram and then see it working in the field is a wonderful educational experience."* ~ Erin Okonek, process technology student



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For more information on TVEP at UAA, contact Assistant Provost for Workforce Development Bonnie Nygard at [afbkn@uaa.alaska.edu](mailto:afbkn@uaa.alaska.edu)





## University of Alaska Fairbanks 2014 TVEP Program Highlights

### Wildland Fire Science - UAF Interior-Aleutians Campus

TVEP Funding: \$93,100 to further program development.



**Overview:** The wildland firefighter program was developed to help build a skilled Alaska workforce so there would not be such a need to bring advanced wildland firefighters to Alaska from the Lower 48. The program now offers an occupational endorsement and has been officially updated to better reflect the needs of the industry. Several of these federally regulated courses are being taught via distance delivery to reach a much larger audience, including rural Alaska. Also, an entry level course is being offered at the high school level giving students a chance to earn their red cards and gain employment in the field before registering at the university level to pursue a degree in Wildland Fire Science.

**High-Priority Industries Supported:** Natural resource development and fisheries

**Program Advocacy:**

- *"Since Fall of 2011 we have helped to employ or promote over 50 students."*  
~ Tylan Martin, UAF Wildland Fire Science Assistant Professor

### Computer Information Technology Specialist - UAF College of Rural and Community Development

TVEP Funding: \$91,900 for information technology specialist (ITS) faculty.

**Overview:** The ITS certificate and associate programs teach students how to use, support, implement and troubleshoot the computer and information technology systems found in educational, governmental and corporate settings. Students completing the certificate program will be prepared for entry-level IT positions. The A.A.S. degree program prepares individuals for employment as an IT professional. Associate degrees are also offered in computer technology, network and cyber security, network and system administration.

**High-Priority Industry Supported:** Information technology



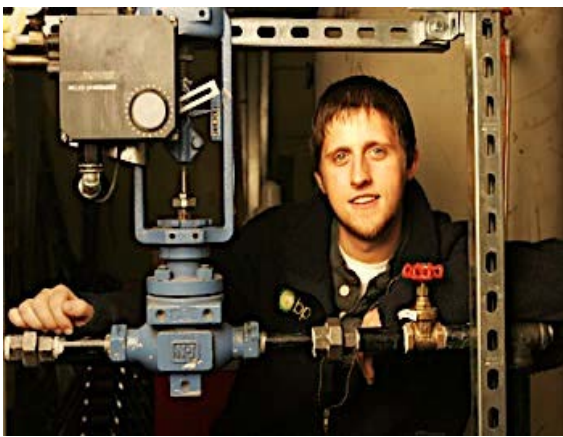


### Program Advocacy:

- *"It was this program that helped me find what I enjoyed most within the IT field and helped me get into my new passion in emergency management from a cyber-security perspective."*  
~ Brad R. Thacker, CITS student
- *"We currently have three students from CTC's Cyber Security program who have entered into the four year Homeland Security and Emergency Management program at UAF. We anticipate an increased number of students from the program at CTC to enter based on the capabilities they have demonstrated"* ~ Cam Carlson, Homeland Security and Emergency Management Program Director, UAF School of Management

### Process Technology - UAF Community and Technical College

**TVEP Funding:** \$153,400 to support the UAF CTC Process Technology (PT) program's ongoing partnership with the Fairbanks Pipeline Training Center.



**Overview:** The A.A.S degree in process technology prepares students for employment as an operations technician in the process industry. In addition to textbook learning and classroom lectures, students train and practice on equipment and models that are current with industry standards. A valuable part of the program comes from summer internships provided by British Petroleum, Flint Hills Resources and Alyeska Pipeline Service Company, giving students the opportunity to gain practical experience and exposure to a wide variety of career options. The process industry employs highly-skilled and well-paid individuals with entry-level salaries ranging from \$45,000 to \$72,000 annually.

**High-Priority Industries Supported:** Construction; energy; fisheries, seafood and maritime; transportation

### Program Advocacy:

- "During the recruitment period for most power plant positions, we place a high value on candidates with the PRT degree. Several utilities supervisors have expressed the desire to make it a requirement for all new hires, like many North Slope companies have."  
~ Ben Stacy, Water Plant Supervisor for UAF Utilities
- "I graduated over two years ago and immediately went to work in the oil industry."  
~ Adam Rushing, process technology graduate

For more information on TVEP at UAF, contact Acting Executive Dean of the College of Rural and Community Development and Interim Vice Chancellor for Rural, Community and Native Education Pete Pinney at 907/474-7089 or [pppinney@alaska.edu](mailto:pppinney@alaska.edu)





## University of Alaska Southeast 2014 TVEP Program Highlights

### Maritime & Multi-Skilled Worker (MMW) - UAS Ketchikan

**TVEP Funding:** \$85,000 to hire a term assistant professor of power technology to develop and deliver this new pilot program in response to industry needs. The program is approved by the US Coast Guard (USCG) and was developed in concert with the Alaska Marine Highway System and Alaska Ship and Drydock/Vigor Inc.



**Overview:** Prepares students for high-paying jobs and provides them with an introduction to basic industrial skills that can be applied to occupations in ship building, mining, seafood processing plants and marine engine rooms as well as other industrial occupations. This comprehensive course fully prepares students to take the USCG exam for a Qualified Member of the Engine Department with Oiler and Fireman/Water Tender endorsements. Having USCG approval and the Alaska Marine Highway System partnering to provide internships, ship tours and a representative on the program advisory committee offers significant advantages to students.

**High-Priority Industries Supported:** Construction; natural resource development; fishing, seafood, and maritime; transportation

### **Program Advocacy:**

- *"All of the skills in this new program prepare students for employment."*  
~ Doug Ward, Director of Development for Vigor Alaska
- *"The QMED certification that I will get for this class is really important to break into the industry. It's a great program that gives me confidence that I can succeed in this field."*  
~ Joshua Ruiz, MMW student
- *"I've found that it's harder as a female to get hired in a male dominated profession when you have no skills. This course offers the basics that I can build on to break into careers that are not usually pursued by women."*  
~ Jessica Palma, MMW student

### Health Information Management (HIM) - UAS Sitka

**TVEP Funding:** \$105,400 for a HIM assistant professor to expand statewide eLearning delivery to increase the number of graduates across Alaska.





**Overview:** The Associate of Applied Science in HIM degree program prepares graduates for employment as health information specialists, a fast-growing occupation in Alaska. Graduates are eligible to take the national accreditation examination and receive the Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT) credential. The program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Information and Information Management in cooperation with the Council on Accreditation of the American Health Information Management Association.

**High-Priority Industry Supported:** Health care

**Program Advocacy:**

- *"My education enabled me to take the Registered Health Information Technician certification exam. Without the certification I would not have been able to obtain the position I have at Alaska Psychiatric Institute."* ~ Donna Knowles, 2010 HIM graduate
- *"I benefited from the fact that I was able to attend classes online at my convenience."* ~ Deborah Miller, 2010 HIM graduate
- *"The program helps students be connected to facilities like Providence Seward Medical Center through the outreach efforts of the UAS staff."* ~ Jeannette Bailey, PSMC Health Information Management Supervisor

**Power Technology - UAS Juneau**



**TVEP Funding:** \$55,600 to upgrade diesel training equipment.

**Overview:** The power technology program at UAS includes an occupational endorsement and an associate of applied science degree with emphasis areas in diesel, mine mechanic, and USCG Marine Oiler. The UAS program partners with Hecla/Greens Creek and Coeur/Kensington mines, with local construction and equipment companies and with the Local 302 International Union of Operating Engineers. Students learn in classroom and shop environments and through internships in workplace settings.

**High-Priority Industries Supported:** Construction; energy; fishing, seafood and maritime; natural resource development; transportation

**Program Advocacy:**

- *"The UAS Power Technology program has good connections with the local mines, providing an easy transition from school to a career. I currently work as an intern for the Hecla Greens Creek Mine."* ~ Hunter Kirkpatrick, power technology student
- *"This program is well known in the mechanic field and almost seems to guarantee consideration for employment from the positions available in Alaska. I have already received a diesel mechanic job offer as well as an interview with another company."* ~Cory McMaster, power technology student



For more information on TVEP at UAS, contact Provost  
Richard Caulfield, PhD at 907/796-6486 or [racaulfield@uas.alaska.edu](mailto:racaulfield@uas.alaska.edu)

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## TVEP: Technical Vocational Education Program Making a Difference For Students

**"FEA has made me a role model who inspires younger students to join the program while also preparing me for college and a career."**

-Selena Rukovoshnikoff, Student  
- Future Educators of Alaska, Statewide

**"I need this training to advance my career."**

-Matthew Gallen, Student  
- WellCap and Well Intervention, Mining and Petroleum Training Service

**"Being able to learn real work situations in the classroom is a wonderful educational experience."**

-Erin Okonek, Student  
- Process Technology, Kenai Peninsula College

**"Being able to physically cable and setup switches and routers gave me the experience and confidence to excel in the IT field."**

-Amos Secoy, Student  
- Computer Networking, Mat Su College

**"Since Fall of 2011 we have helped to employ or promote over 50 students. We are also now offering an entry level course at the high school level to give students a chance to gain employment in the field."**

-Tylan Martin, Assistant Professor  
- Wildland Fire Science, University of Alaska Fairbanks

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-Cory McMaster, Student  
- Power Technology, University of Alaska Southeast

**"It was only after my clinical rotation in Dutch Harbor that I even considered practicing family medicine in rural Alaska. It changed my perspective"**

-Jessica Porter, MD  
- Alaska Health Education Center, University of Alaska Anchorage

**"The certification I will get from this class is really important to break into the industry."**

-Josh Ruiz, Student  
- Maritime Multi-Skilled Worker, University of Alaska Southeast

**"We have employed approximately 25 graduates, which is the majority of our staff."**

-Kelly Doughty, Director for ThrivAlaska  
- Early Childhood Education, University of Alaska Fairbanks

**"I was lucky enough to receive an internship with BP. This never would have happened without this program."**

-Adam Rushing, Graduate  
- Process Technology, University of Alaska Fairbanks





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To: Alaska State Legislature

From: The Alaska Business Education Compact

I'm writing on behalf of the Alaska Business Education Compact (ABEC), a long-standing organization with a membership including business, industry, and private / public educators from across the state. The ABEC has been an advocate of career and technical education including participation in the development of the state's CTE plan, support for the SB84 providing funding to the K-12 school and the DOLWD CTE grants, all focused on preparing our Alaskan students for successful and economic careers. The ABEC is supporting the reauthorization of the Technical Vocational Education Plan (TVEP) per the attached resolution.

The TVEP has been a critical funding mechanism for those programs bridging from secondary to post-secondary education, in a pathway to good jobs for Alaskans in many areas of the state as well as providing upgrade in skills instruction to Alaskan residents. The University of Alaska and the regional training centers have been major players in utilizing the funds to train Alaskans with job and employability skills to fit both the local and state-wide economies.

TVEP allows for both training programs and capacity building for the providers to help maintain an educational infrastructure that is accessible in many regions of the state as well as in the population hubs. The program not only needs to be reauthorized but should be funded to allow expansion of that reach to areas where access is still a problem. The UA and the regional training centers are currently stretched and need to be able to deliver training across distances through both technology and direct instruction. The TVEP is a major resource for those institutions, all of which have delivered well for their regions.

The Alaska Business Education Compact would like to reiterate our continuing advocacy of the TVEP as an integral part of the state's education plan. We strongly support the UA and the regional training centers in their efforts to provide training as a critical piece of workforce development. We hope to work to provide insights to the Legislature from the Business / Industry sectors as well as to continue the dialogue of employers, educators, parents and communities.

Dave Rees, Facilitator

Alaska Business Education Compact

# *Alaska Business Education Compact*

## Resolution 2013-1

### **A Resolution in Support of Reauthorization of the Technical Vocational Education Program Fund**

WHEREAS, current and future workforce needs require continued education and training to stay competitive; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska State Legislature established the Technical Vocational Education Fund to provide grants to technical and vocational education entities to provide industry specific training, on-the-job training and classroom job linked training; and

WHEREAS, the University of Alaska and the regional training centers have been recipients of Technical Vocational Education Program funding and utilize the funds to deliver hundreds of education and training programs to more than 4000 students throughout the state of Alaska resulting in graduates for Alaska's jobs; and

WHEREAS, the TVEP investments are aligned with priority industries established by the Alaska Workforce Investment Board; and

WHEREAS, the UA workforce development priorities include recognition of economic and community development, career pathways and high demand jobs as endorsed by University of Alaska Statewide Academic Council; and

WHEREAS, the University of Alaska partners with employers and industry and other providers to offer education and training programs that meet industry and occupational needs throughout the state of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Vocational Education Program funding is due to sunset in June 2014;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Business Education Compact urges the Legislature and the Governor to support the reauthorization of the Technical Vocational Education Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska Business Education Compact encourages the Legislature and the Governor to support current Technical Vocational Education Fund allocations to the University of Alaska and the regional training centers in the state.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Alaska Business Education Compact this 13th day of November, 2013.





**Resolution 2013-02**  
Alaska Process Industry Careers Consortium

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT REAUTHORIZATION OF ALASKA  
TECHNICAL VOCATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM (TVEP) FUNDS**

**WHEREAS**, current and future workforce needs require continued education and training to stay competitive; and

**WHEREAS**, the Alaska State Legislature established the Technical Vocational Education Program (TVEP) Fund to provide grants to technical and vocational education entities to provide industry specific training, on-the-job training and classroom job-linked training as part of a statewide vocational training system; and

**WHEREAS**, the University of Alaska (UA) and Alaska's regional training centers have been recipients of TVEP funding and utilize the funds to deliver education and training programs aligned to regional workforce demands to more than 4,000 students throughout the state of Alaska resulting in graduates for Alaska's jobs; and

**WHEREAS**, the TVEP investments are aligned with priority industries established by the Alaska Workforce Investment Board; and

**WHEREAS**, the UA workforce development priorities include recognition of economic and community development, career pathways and high demand jobs as endorsed by University of Alaska Statewide Academic Council; and regional training centers include priorities aligned with regional workforce needs, and

**WHEREAS**, the University of Alaska and regional training centers partner with employers and industry and other providers to offer education and training programs that meet industry and occupational needs throughout the state of Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, the Technical Vocational Education Program funding is due to sunset in June 2014;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska Process Industry Careers Consortium urges the Legislature and the Governor to support the reauthorization of the Technical Vocational Education Program Fund; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Alaska Process Industry Careers Consortium encourages the Legislature and the Governor to support current Technical Vocational Education Program Fund allocations to the University of Alaska and the regional training centers in the state.

**CERTIFICATION**

The Alaska Process Industry Careers Consortium Board of Directors held a vote on November 22, 2013 to convey support for reauthorization of Alaska Technical Vocational Education Program Fund, and the foregoing Resolution 2013-02 was adopted unanimously.

Signed this 22nd day of November, 2013.

**Dale Kruger, Chair**  
**Alaska Process Industry Careers Consortium (APICC)**

**Distribution:** APICC Board of Directors, Alaska Legislature, Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

# Alaska Health Workforce Coalition

## Resolution 2013-2



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### **A Resolution in Support of Reauthorization of the Technical Vocational Education Program Fund and Allocation to the University of Alaska**

WHEREAS, the current and future Alaska workforce will require training and continuing education to be competent and competitive; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska State Legislature established the Technical Vocational Education Fund to provide grants to technical and vocational education entities to provide industry specific training, on-the-job training and classroom job linked training; and

WHEREAS, the University of Alaska has been a recipient of Technical Vocational Education Program funding and utilizes the funds to deliver hundreds of training programs to thousands of students throughout the state of Alaska each year resulting in graduates for Alaska's jobs; and

WHEREAS, the University of Alaska TVEP investments are aligned with priority industries established by the Alaska Workforce Investment Board; and

WHEREAS, the University of Alaska workforce development priorities include recognition of economic and community development, career pathways and high demand jobs as endorsed by University of Alaska Statewide Academic Council; and

WHEREAS, the University of Alaska partners with employers and industry and other providers to offer education and training programs that meet industry and occupational needs throughout the state of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Vocational Education Program funding is due to sunset in June 2014;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that partner members of the Alaska Health Workforce Coalition urge the Legislature and the Governor to support the reauthorization of the Technical Vocational Education Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these Alaska Health Workforce Coalition partners encourage the Legislature and the Governor to support current Technical Vocational Education Fund allocations to the University of Alaska.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Alaska Health Workforce Coalition this 11 day of December, 2013.

## Cover Letter for a Resolution of Support for Reauthorizing TVEP

To: Alaska State Legislature

From: The Alaska Miners Association HR & Workforce Development Committee

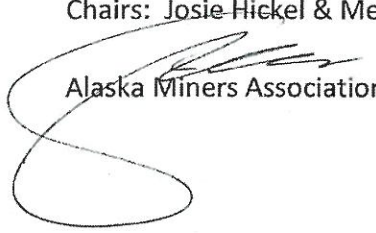

The Alaska Miners Association (AMA) is an industry consortium that supports all mining entities in the state. The Human Resources Committee is focused on the policies and practices of employment and the development of the workforce for mining exploration and operations. The AMA HR committee has been an advocate of career and technical education and is focused on preparing our Alaskan students for successful and economic careers. The AMA is supporting the reauthorization of the Technical Vocational Education Plan (TVEP) per the attached resolution.

The TVEP has been a critical funding mechanism for those programs bridging from secondary to post-secondary education, in a pathway to good jobs for Alaskans in many areas of the state as well as providing upgrade in skills instruction to Alaskan residents. The University of Alaska and the regional training centers have been major players in utilizing the funds to train Alaskans with job and employability skills to fit both the local and state-wide economies. The Regional Training Centers and the University with its statewide campuses are prime locations for mining employment preparation with the industry's spread across Alaska's geography.

TVEP allows for both training programs and capacity building for the providers to help maintain an educational infrastructure that is accessible in many regionally as well as in the population hubs. The program not only needs to be reauthorized but should be funded to allow expansion of that reach to areas where access is still a problem. The UA and the regional training centers are currently stretched and need to be able to deliver training across distances through both technology and direct instruction. The TVEP is a major resource for those institutions, all of which have delivered well for their regions.

The Alaska Miners Association would like to reiterate our continuing advocacy of the TVEP as an integral part of the state's education plan. We strongly support the UA and the regional training centers in their efforts to provide training as a critical piece of workforce development. We hope to work to provide insights to the Legislature from the Business / Industry sectors as well as to continue the dialogue of employers, educators, parents and communities.

Chairs: Josie Hickel & Meg Day

   
Alaska Miners Association HR Committee



Alaska Miners Association

Resolution 2013-1

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WHEREAS, the Alaska State Legislature established the Technical Vocational Education Fund to provide grants to technical and vocational education entities to provide industry specific training, on-the-job training and classroom job linked training; and

WHEREAS, the University of Alaska and the regional training centers have been recipients of Technical Vocational Education Program funding and utilize the funds to deliver hundreds of education and training programs to more than 4000 students throughout the state of Alaska resulting in graduates for Alaska's jobs; and

WHEREAS, the TVEP investments are aligned with priority industries established by the Alaska Workforce Investment Board; and

WHEREAS, the UA workforce development priorities include recognition of economic and community development, career pathways and high demand jobs as endorsed by University of Alaska Statewide Academic Council; and

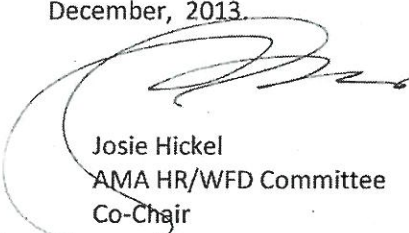
WHEREAS, the University of Alaska partners with employers and industry and other providers to offer education and training programs that meet industry and occupational needs throughout the state of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Vocational Education Program funding is due to sunset in June 2014;

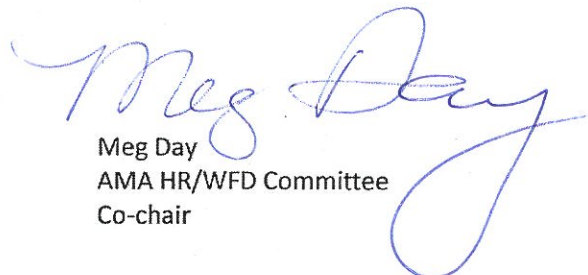
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Miners Association urges the Legislature and the Governor to support the reauthorization of the Technical Vocational Education Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska Miners Association encourages the Legislature and the Governor to support current Technical Vocational Education Fund allocations to the University of Alaska and the regional training centers in the state.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Alaska Miners Association HR Committee this 18th day of December, 2013.



Josie Hickel  
AMA HR/WFD Committee  
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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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## ***Representative Mark Neuman***

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### **House Bill 150 Sponsor Statement**

The Technical and Vocational Education Fund authorized under AS 23.15.840 sunsets on June 30, 2014. House Bill 150 extends the sunset date to June 30, 2024.

In 2000 the Alaska Legislature created the Training and Vocational Education Program to provide financial assistance to support facilities throughout the state that provide technical and educational programs for industry specific training.

Alaska was experiencing unemployment rates that were reaching to above 50% of the national average in 2008. With large projects on the horizon, there was a clear need for a trained, resident work force. The TVEP program was extended to provide training to Alaskan residents to help reduce the unemployment rate and put Alaskan residents to work. Figures released on March 14, 2013 by the Department of Labor indicated that unemployment rates in Alaska for December of 2012 were 6.6%, while the national average was 8.1%. Alaska has had a consistent lower rate than the national average for the past forty-six months, indicating the effectiveness of this program.

Funds for the TVEP program are appropriated from amounts the state collects in unemployment insurance contributions at a rate of .15 percent and are allocated according to statute.

The more we can train our youth, as they enter the work force, the more we will re-enforce the desirability of staying in Alaska as part of a highly skilled, resident work force. The last five years has shown this Fund works. We can double the effectiveness with ten more years.

**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 150(L&C)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/6/13

Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES NEUMAN, Tuck, Thompson, Hughes, Gara, Isaacson, Edgmon, Higgins, Foster

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1   **"An Act extending the unemployment contributions for the Alaska technical and**  
2   **vocational education program; and providing for an effective date."**

3   **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4    \* **Section 1.** AS 23.15.835(d) is amended to read:

5                   (d) Notwithstanding AS 23.15.840(a), for the fiscal years ending June 30,  
6           2009, through June 30, 2024 [2014], the money collected under this section or  
7           otherwise appropriated to the Alaska Workforce Investment Board, formerly known as  
8           the Alaska Human Resource Investment Council, shall be allocated directly in the  
9           following percentages to the following institutions for programs consistent with  
10          AS 23.15.820 - 23.15.850 and capital improvements:

11          University of Alaska	45 percent
12          University of Alaska Southeast	5 percent
13          Galena Project Education Vocational Training Center	4 percent
14          Kotzebue Technical Center	9 percent



1	Alaska Vocational Technical Center	17 percent
2	Northwestern Alaska Career and Technical Center	3 percent
3	Southwest Alaska Vocational and Education Center	3 percent
4	Yuut Elitnaurviat, Inc. People's Learning Center	9 percent
5	Delta Career Advancement Center	3 percent
6	New Frontier Vocational Technical Center	2 percent.
7	* <b>Sec. 2.</b> This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).	

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2013 Legislative Session

Bill Version: HB 150  
Fiscal Note Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) Publish Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Identifier: HB150-DOLWD-CO-3-29-13  
Title: TECHNICAL/VOCATIONAL EDUCATION  
PROGRAM  
Sponsor: NEUMAN  
Requester: House Labor and Commerce

Department: Department of Labor and Workforce Development  
Appropriation: Commissioner and Administrative Services  
Allocation: Commissioner's Office  
OMB Component Number: 340

## Expenditures/Revenues

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

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2014 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2014 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2014	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Personal Services		509.2	509.2	509.2	509.2	509.2	509.2
Travel							
Services		25.5	25.5	25.5	25.5	25.5	25.5
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits		4,961.0	4,961.0	4,961.0	4,961.0	4,961.0	4,961.0
Miscellaneous							
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>

## Fund Source (Operating Only)

1151 VoTech Ed		5,495.7	5,495.7	5,495.7	5,495.7	5,495.7	5,495.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>

## Positions

Full-time		5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Part-time							
Temporary							

<b>Change in Revenues</b>							
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2013) cost: 0.0

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2014) cost: 0.0

## 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:

Not applicable, initial version.

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## FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

STATE OF ALASKA  
2013 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HB150

### Analysis

This proposed legislation extends the current Technical and Vocational Education Program (TVEP) allocation through June 30, 2024. Currently, the allocation expires June 30, 2014.

Out-year cost estimates are based on TVEP receipts included in the department's FY2014 budget request and will be revised on an annual basis based on the balance of the fund.

The grants line authorization represents the legislation's direct allocations that pass through the department to Kotzebue Technical Center; Alaska Vocational Technical Center; Northwestern Alaska Career and Technical Center; Southwest Alaska Vocational and Education Center; Yuut Elitnaurviat, Inc. People's Learning Center; Delta Career Advancement Center; and New Frontier Vocational Technical Center.

Personal services and services expenses are related to TVEP grant administration and revenue collection through the unemployment insurance tax system. Expenses related to these activities must be charged to a state fund source as they are related to a state program and are not an allowable federal expense.

Position counts are based on an average personal services cost of \$100.0 per full-time position and rounded to the nearest whole number.



# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2013 Legislative Session

Bill Version: HB 150  
Fiscal Note Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) Publish Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Identifier: HB150-EED-TLS-4-2-13  
Title: TECHNICAL/VOCATIONAL EDUCATION  
PROGRAM  
Sponsor: NEUMAN  
Requester: House Labor & Commerce

Department: Department of Education and Early Development  
Appropriation: Teaching and Learning Support  
Allocation: Student and School Achievement  
OMB Component Number: 2796

## Expenditures/Revenues

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

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2014 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2014 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2014	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits		430.4	430.4	430.4	430.4	430.4	430.4
Miscellaneous							
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>

## Fund Source (Operating Only)

1151 VoTech Ed		430.4	430.4	430.4	430.4	430.4	430.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>

## Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

<b>Change in Revenues</b>							
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2013) cost: 0.0

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2014) cost: 0.0

## ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? Yes  
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 07/01/14

## Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

Initial version

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## FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

STATE OF ALASKA  
2013 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HB150

### Analysis

The Technical and Vocational Education Fund authorized under AS 23.15.840 sunsets on June 30, 2014. House Bill 150 extends the current Technical and Vocational Education program (TVEP) through June 30, 2024.

Out-year cost estimates are based on TVEP receipts included in DEED's FY2014 budget request and will be revised on an annual basis based on the balance of the fund.

This funding is a grant from The Department of Education & Early Development to the Galena Project Education Vocational Training Center.

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2013 Legislative Session

Bill Version: HB 150  
Fiscal Note Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) Publish Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Identifier: HB150-UA-SYSBRA-4-02-13  
Title: TECHNICAL/VOCATIONAL EDUCATION  
PROGRAM  
Sponsor: NEUMAN  
Requester: House Labor and Commerce

Department: University of Alaska  
Appropriation: University of Alaska  
Allocation: Budget Reductions/Additions - Systemwide  
OMB Component Number: 1296

## Expenditures/Revenues

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

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2014 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2014 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2014	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services		5,380.0	5,380.0	5,380.0	5,380.0	5,380.0	5,380.0
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>

## Fund Source (Operating Only)

1151 VoTech Ed		5,380.0	5,380.0	5,380.0	5,380.0	5,380.0	5,380.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>

## Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

<b>Change in Revenues</b>							
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2013) cost: 0.0

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2014) cost: 0.0

## 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

## Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

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## FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

STATE OF ALASKA  
2013 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HB150

### Analysis

The Technical and Vocational Education Fund authorized under AS 23.15.840 sunsets on June 30, 2014. House Bill 150 extends the current Technical and Vocational Education program (TVEP) through June 30, 2024.

Out-year cost estimates are based on TVEP receipts included in UA's FY2014 budget request and will be revised on an annual basis based on the balance of the fund.

TVEP funding has been instrumental in UA's ability to meet Alaska's workforce training and educational needs and continues to be the key source of funds for that purpose. The UA System office of Workforce Programs works with representatives from the UA campuses and the Alaska Workforce Investment Board to identify state priority industry sectors and high-demand jobs, including regional priorities for occupational training programs. The campuses submit proposals based on the identified needs, and funding is distributed to the highest priority programs.



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HB 150 Technical and  
Vocational Education Program

### **Technical and Vocational Education Program (TVEP)\***

The Technical and Vocational Education Program (TVEP) was established in 2000. The purpose of this program is to provide grants to technical and vocational education entities to provide industry specific training, on-the-job training and classroom job linked training. The authority for this program is Alaska Statute 23.15.840, grants for technical and vocational education.

Funds for the program are appropriated from amounts the state collects in unemployment insurance contributions, and are provided to the Alaska Workforce Investment Board. The board establishes a list of priorities for training under this program. To the extent that funding is available, grants are awarded to entities that apply for funding by the deadline established by the board. The board gives priority to applications from qualified entities whose purpose is listed first on the list of priorities. If money remains after grants for the first priority have been awarded, the board may then make grants to those entities whose purpose is listed next on the priority list.

**Note:** In recent years, the Alaska State Legislature has appropriated money from the program for specific grants to designated recipients for capital improvement projects. In appropriating the funds, the Legislature has not specified any additional requirements on the use of those funds.

AS.23.15.835 (a) the department shall collect from each employee an amount equal to one-tenth of one percent of the wages, as set out in AS.23.20.175, on which the employee is required to make contribution under AS.23.20.290 (d). The department shall remit to the Department of Revenue, in accordance with AS.37.10.050, money collected under this subsection.

**Note:** According to House Bill No. 2 (HB 2) the amount to be collected went from one tenth of one percent to .15 percent effective July 1, 2008.

#### **Types of Services Allowed and Un-allowed**

Subject to the limits of its grant, an entity receiving a grant under this program shall provide one or more of the following program elements (AS 23.15.840 (c)):

- Industry specific training
- On-the-job training
- Institutional or classroom job-linked training

The entity's activities do not replace or complete in any way with a federally approved apprenticeship program or any other training programs (AS 23.15.840(a)(2)). Grants may not be awarded if the grant would displace money available through existing private technical and vocational educational education programs (AS 23.15.840 (b)).

\*The above information sheet obtained from the Department of Labor and Workforce Development Website [labor.alaska.gov/awib/pdf/member\\_handbook/10\\_TVEP\\_Program.pdf](http://labor.alaska.gov/awib/pdf/member_handbook/10_TVEP_Program.pdf) - 8k - 2010-03-17.



HB 150 Technical and  
Vocational Education Program

**The Alaska Technical Vocational Education Program (TVEP) helped fund –**

- The first-in-the-nation core driller registered apprenticeship program to provide a resource development industry workforce.
- The nation's only dental therapy program and the only dental training clinic in rural Alaska. The program has national impact and has the potential to change dental care delivery in the U.S. while increasing Alaska's ability to provide critically needed dental care to Alaska Natives.
- A college readiness partnership program in intensive science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) related activities to better prepare rural students for success in post-secondary education. This program gives students access to a level of education not currently available in most villages, thus allowing them to compete on a level playing field for acceptance into a university and for scholarships through the Governor's Performance Scholarship program.
- A Renewable Energy pilot program. In 2011, 21 students were involved with the installation of a 45' Skystream wind turbine that was connected to the grid at the student dormitory. As a result of this training program, students have both the knowledge and experience preparing them for wind turbine installation and maintenance jobs.
- Outreach to rural communities for the Heavy Equipment Operator Academy, accepting students from Dot Lake, Nulato, Alatna and Stevens Village. The academy partnered with the Deltana Fair Association to improve fairgrounds as a part of the hands-on training; and participants received MSHA (20-hour), First Aid/CPR/AED and Forklift training and certification.
- The only state-certified driving school west of Anchorage, AK. It is also the only State Certified Third party CDL Road Skills Tester and Class D Road Skills Tester west of Anchorage.
- Village Police Officer/Tribal Police Officer Academies and Village Police Officer/Tribal Police Officer Advanced Academies as well as continuing education training for Village Public Safety Officers. These trainings were coordinated in conjunction with the state Department of Public Safety and the Alaska State Troopers.
- Construction Trades Technology apprenticeship training endorsed by the National Center for Construction Education and Research.

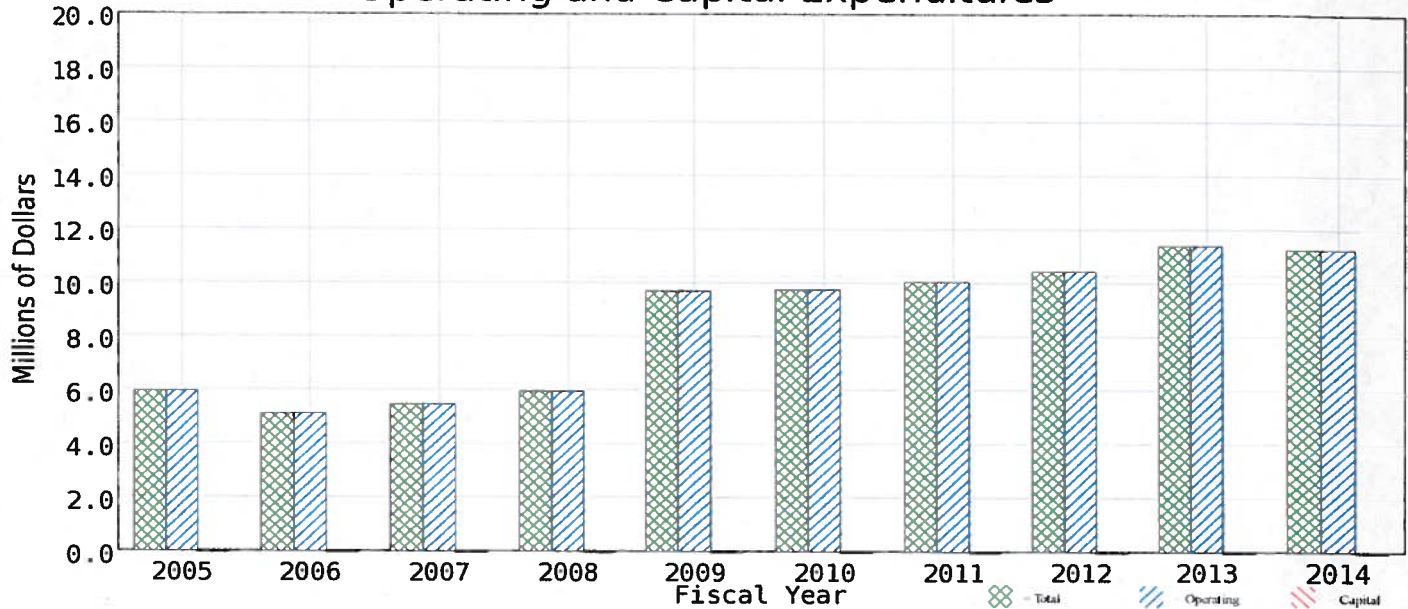


## Fund Source Report

### 1151 VoTech Ed Technical Vocational Education Program Receipts

Year Authorized 2000    Year Repealed    Active? Yes    Mental Health? No    Duplicated? No    Fund Group Designated General

### Operating and Capital Expenditures



**Legal Authority**  
 AS 23.15.830 AS 37.10.200

**Source of Revenue**  
 The Department of Labor and Workforce Development shall collect from each employee an amount equal to one-fifteenth of one percent of wages on which the employee is required to make unemployment insurance contributions. The Dept of Labor shall assess and collect interest and penalties for delinquencies.

**Restrictions on Use**  
 The fund shall provide for grants for technical and vocational education entities.

**Description and History**  
 AS 23.15.830 established the Alaska Technical and Vocational Education Program account as a sub-account of the General Fund. The Department of Labor and Workforce Development collects from each employee an amount equal to one-fifteenth of one percent of the wages on which the employee is required to make contributions under the Alaska Employment Security Act. This new account is similar in operation to the existing STEP account. Appropriations are required to expend funds.

The Alaska Human Resource Investment Council (AHRIC) (renamed the Alaska Workforce Investment Board) manages the grants from the fund. During FY01, legislation directed the AHRIC to provide the total amount of collections to three state institutions: University of Alaska (52%), Kotzebue Technical Center (16%), and Alaska Vocational Technical Center (32%).

The distribution changed in Sec. 48, CH 86, SLA 2002 to the following: University of Alaska (63%), Kotzebue Technical Center (11%), Alaska Vocational Technical Center (22%), and Galena Project Ed Vocational Training Center (4%).

The distribution changed in CH 133, SLA 2004 to the following: University of Alaska (55%), Kotzebue Technical Center (11%), Alaska Vocational Technical Center (22%), Galena Project Ed Vocational Training Center (4%), Southwest Alaska Vocational and Education Center (4%) and Yuut Eitnaurviat, Inc. People's Learning Center (4%). This distribution is fixed through FY2010.



**Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development**  
**Alaska Technical and Vocational Education Program (TVEP) Distribution History (in thousands)**  
 Corrected April 3, 2013

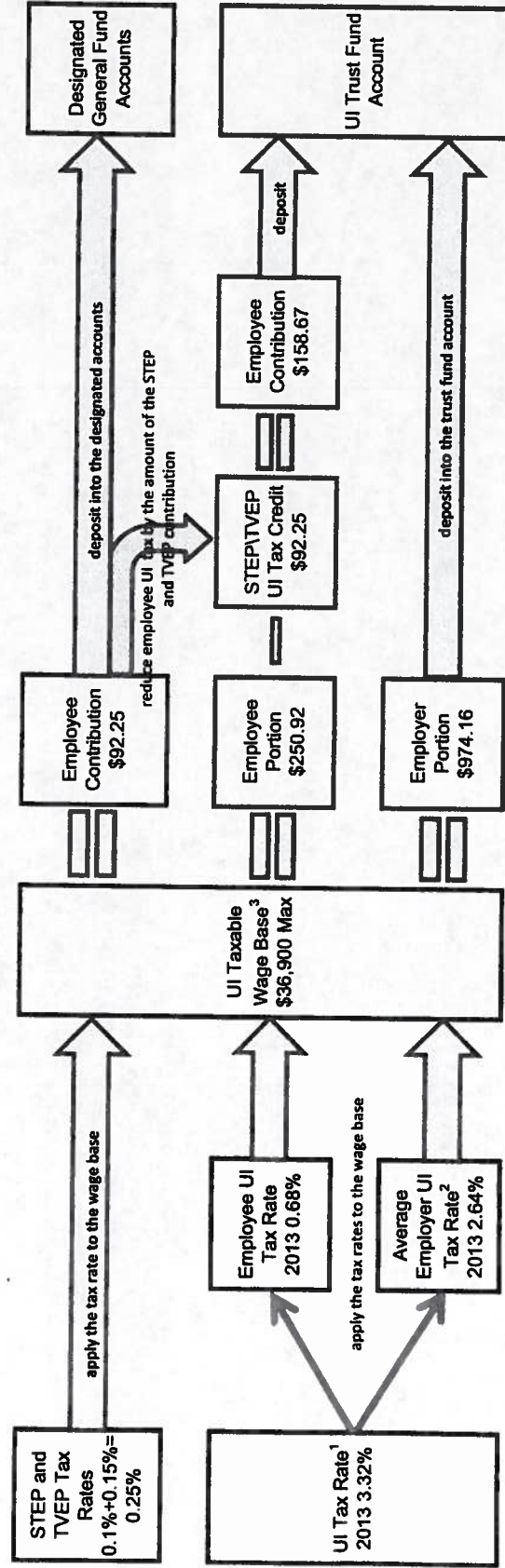
Fiscal Year	Legislative Bill	Total Distribution	UA	UAS	Kotz	AVTEC	Galena	SAVEC	Yuut	NACTEC	Delta	New Frontier
2001	SB 289	\$ 3,425.0	\$ 1,781.0		\$ 548.0	\$ 1,096.0						
2002	SB 137	\$ 4,553.8	\$ 2,868.9		\$ 500.9	\$ 1,001.8	\$ 182.2					
2003	SB 252	\$ 4,553.8	\$ 2,868.9		\$ 500.9	\$ 1,001.8	\$ 182.2					
2004	SB 252 and SB 283	\$ 5,563.6	\$ 3,505.1		\$ 612.0	\$ 1,224.0	\$ 222.5					
2005	SB 283	\$ 300.3	\$ 189.2		\$ 33.1	\$ 66.0	\$ 12.0					
2005	HB 375 - Direct Appn	\$ 100.0				\$ 100.0						
2005	HB 123	\$ 4,670.0	\$ 2,568.5		\$ 513.7	\$ 1,027.4	\$ 186.8	\$ 186.8	\$ 186.8			
2006	HB 123	\$ 5,132.0	\$ 2,822.6		\$ 564.5	\$ 1,129.0	\$ 205.3	\$ 205.3	\$ 205.3			
2007	HB 123	\$ 5,240.0	\$ 2,822.0		\$ 576.4	\$ 1,152.8	\$ 209.6	\$ 209.6	\$ 209.6			
2007	Leg Change	\$ (23.8)				\$ (23.8)						
2008	HB 123	\$ 5,698.8	\$ 3,134.3		\$ 626.9	\$ 1,253.7	\$ 228.0	\$ 228.0	\$ 228.0	\$ 283.4	\$ 283.4	\$ 188.9
2009	HB 2	\$ 9,447.0	\$ 4,251.2	\$ 472.4	\$ 850.2	\$ 1,606.0	\$ 377.9	\$ 283.4	\$ 850.2	\$ 283.4	\$ 283.4	\$ 188.9
2010	HB 2	\$ 9,447.0	\$ 4,251.2	\$ 472.4	\$ 850.2	\$ 1,606.0	\$ 377.9	\$ 283.4	\$ 850.2	\$ 283.4	\$ 283.4	\$ 195.0
2011	HB 2	\$ 9,747.7	\$ 4,386.5	\$ 487.4	\$ 877.3	\$ 1,657.1	\$ 389.9	\$ 292.4	\$ 877.3	\$ 292.4	\$ 292.4	\$ 201.7
2012	HB 2	\$ 10,085.4	\$ 4,538.3	\$ 504.3	\$ 907.7	\$ 1,714.5	\$ 403.4	\$ 302.6	\$ 907.7	\$ 302.6	\$ 302.6	\$ 218.0
2013	HB 2	\$ 10,898.0	\$ 4,904.2	\$ 544.9	\$ 980.8	\$ 1,852.7	\$ 435.9	\$ 326.9	\$ 980.8	\$ 326.9	\$ 326.9	\$ 215.2
2014	HB 2	\$ 10,760.0	\$ 4,842.0	\$ 538.0	\$ 968.4	\$ 1,829.2	\$ 430.4	\$ 322.8	\$ 968.4	\$ 322.8	\$ 322.8	\$ 215.2

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## State of Alaska Tax Flow Chart:

### Unemployment Insurance (UI) State Training and Employment Program (STEP) Technical and Vocational Education Program (TVEP)

The STEP and TVEP tax rates are set in statute (AS 23.15.630 and AS 23.15.835 respectively) and are applied to the annual UI taxable wage base. The amount of STEP and TVEP revenue is not affected by the UI tax rate. For further information please contact Jim Wilson (465-4520). The calculations provided below are per employee, assume the maximum wage for 2013, and are based on the 2013 UI tax rate.



- 1) The UI tax rate is calculated each year to ensure solvency of the trust fund account and cover benefit payments.
- 2) The exact employer tax rate varies by employer. The rate provided above is the average employer UI tax rate. For more information please reference the UI Tax Calculation Cookbook ([http://labor.alaska.gov/research/uiprog/Tax\\_Cookbook.pdf](http://labor.alaska.gov/research/uiprog/Tax_Cookbook.pdf)).
- 3) The UI maximum taxable wage base per employee is calculated each year as 75% of the average annual wage in Alaska (AS 23.20.175).

Further reference materials:  
2011 UI Actuarial Study and Financial Handbook  
[UI Tax Calculation Cookbook](#)



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HB 150 Technical and  
Vocational Education Program

# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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### SPONSOR STATEMENT

#### **SB 93 - TECHNICAL/VOCATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM**

The Technical and Vocational Education Fund authorized under AS 23.15.840 sunsets on June 30, 2014. Senate Bill 93 extends the sunset date to June 30, 2024.

In 2000 the Alaska Legislature created the Training and Vocational Education Program to provide financial assistance to support facilities throughout the state that provide technical and educational programs for industry specific training.

Alaska was experiencing unemployment rates that were reaching to above 50% of the national average in 2008. With large projects on the horizon, there was a clear need for a trained, resident work force. The TVEP program was extended to provide training to Alaskan residents to help reduce the unemployment rate and put Alaskan residents to work. Figures released on March 14, 2013 by the Department of Labor indicated that unemployment rates in Alaska for December of 2012 were 6.6%, while the national average was 8.1%. Alaska has had a consistent lower rate than the national average for the past forty-six months, indicating the effectiveness of this program.

Funds for the TVEP program are appropriated from amounts the state collects in unemployment insurance contributions at a rate of .15 percent and are allocated according to statute.

The more we can train our youth, as they enter the work force, the more we will re-enforce the desirability of staying in Alaska as part of a highly skilled, resident work force. The last five years has shown this Fund works. We can double the effectiveness with ten more years.

I urge your support for this legislation.

**SENATE BILL NO. 93**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY SENATOR OLSON

Introduced: 3/29/13

Referred: Labor and Commerce

**A BILL****FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1   **"An Act extending the unemployment contributions for the Alaska technical and**  
 2   **vocational education program."**

3   **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4    \* **Section 1.** AS 23.15.835(d) is amended to read:

5                   (d) Notwithstanding AS 23.15.840(a), for the fiscal years ending June 30,  
 6           2009, through June 30, **2024** [2014], the money collected under this section or  
 7           otherwise appropriated to the Alaska Workforce Investment Board, formerly known as  
 8           the Alaska Human Resource Investment Council, shall be allocated directly in the  
 9           following percentages to the following institutions for programs consistent with  
 10          AS 23.15.820 - 23.15.850 and capital improvements:

11          University of Alaska	45 percent
12          University of Alaska Southeast	5 percent
13          Galena Project Education Vocational Training Center	4 percent
14          Kotzebue Technical Center	9 percent



1	Alaska Vocational Technical Center	17 percent
2	Northwestern Alaska Career and Technical Center	3 percent
3	Southwest Alaska Vocational and Education Center	3 percent
4	Yuut Elitnaurviat, Inc. People's Learning Center	9 percent
5	Delta Career Advancement Center	3 percent
6	New Frontier Vocational Technical Center	2 percent.

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2013 Legislative Session

Bill Version: SB 93  
Fiscal Note Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) Publish Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Identifier: SB093-DOLWD-CO-4-3-13  
Title: TECHNICAL/VOCATIONAL EDUCATION  
PROGRAM  
Sponsor: OLSON  
Requester: Senate Labor and Commerce

Department: Department of Labor and Workforce Development  
Appropriation: Commissioner and Administrative Services  
Allocation: Commissioner's Office  
OMB Component Number: 340

## Expenditures/Revenues

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

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2014 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2014 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2014	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Personal Services		509.2	509.2	509.2	509.2	509.2	509.2
Travel							
Services		25.5	25.5	25.5	25.5	25.5	25.5
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits		4,961.0	4,961.0	4,961.0	4,961.0	4,961.0	4,961.0
Miscellaneous							
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>

## Fund Source (Operating Only)

1151 VoTech Ed		5,495.7	5,495.7	5,495.7	5,495.7	5,495.7	5,495.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>	<b>5,495.7</b>

## Positions

Full-time		5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Part-time							
Temporary							

<b>Change in Revenues</b>							
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2013) cost: 0.0

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2014) cost: 0.0

## 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:

Not applicable, initial version.

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## FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

STATE OF ALASKA  
2013 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. SB093

### Analysis

This proposed legislation extends the current Technical and Vocational Education Program (TVEP) allocation through June 30, 2024. Currently, the allocation expires June 30, 2014.

Out-year cost estimates are based on TVEP receipts included in the department's FY2014 budget request and will be revised on an annual basis based on the balance of the fund.

The grants line authorization represents the legislation's direct allocations that pass through the department to Kotzebue Technical Center; Alaska Vocational Technical Center; Northwestern Alaska Career and Technical Center; Southwest Alaska Vocational and Education Center; Yuut Elitnaurviat, Inc. People's Learning Center; Delta Career Advancement Center; and New Frontier Vocational Technical Center.

Personal services and services expenses are related to TVEP grant administration and revenue collection through the unemployment insurance tax system. Expenses related to these activities must be charged to a state fund source as they are related to a state program and are not an allowable federal expense.

Position counts are based on an average personal services cost of \$100.0 per full-time position and rounded to the nearest whole number.

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2013 Legislative Session

Bill Version: SB 93  
Fiscal Note Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) Publish Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Identifier: SB093-UA-Sysbra-4-03-13  
Title: TECHNICAL/VOCATIONAL EDUCATION  
PROGRAM  
Sponsor: OLSON  
Requester: Senate Labor & Commerce

Department: University of Alaska  
Appropriation: University of Alaska  
Allocation: Budget Reductions/Additions - Systemwide  
OMB Component Number: 1296

## Expenditures/Revenues

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

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2014 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2014 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2014	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services		5,380.0	5,380.0	5,380.0	5,380.0	5,380.0	5,380.0
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>

## Fund Source (Operating Only)

1151 VoTech Ed		5,380.0	5,380.0	5,380.0	5,380.0	5,380.0	5,380.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>	<b>5,380.0</b>

## Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

<b>Change in Revenues</b>							
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2013) cost: 0.0

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2014) cost: 0.0

## 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

## Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

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## FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

STATE OF ALASKA  
2013 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. SB093

### Analysis

The Technical and Vocational Education Fund authorized under AS 23.15.840 sunsets on June 30, 2014. Senate Bill 93 extends the current Technical and Vocational Education program (TVEP) through June 30, 2024.

Out-year cost estimates are based on TVEP receipts included in UA's FY2014 budget request and will be revised on an annual basis based on the balance of the fund.

TVEP funding has been instrumental in UA's ability to meet Alaska's workforce training and educational needs and continues to be the key source of funds for that purpose. The UA System office of Workforce Programs works with representatives from the UA campuses and the Alaska Workforce Investment Board to identify state priority industry sectors and high-demand jobs, including regional priorities for occupational training programs. The campuses submit proposals based on the identified needs, and funding is distributed to the highest priority programs.

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2013 Legislative Session

Bill Version: SB 93  
Fiscal Note Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) Publish Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Identifier: SB093-EED-TLS-4-2-13  
Title: TECHNICAL/VOCATIONAL EDUCATION  
PROGRAM  
Sponsor: OLSON  
Requester: Senate Labor & Commerce

Department: Department of Education and Early Development  
Appropriation: Teaching and Learning Support  
Allocation: Student and School Achievement  
OMB Component Number: 2796

## Expenditures/Revenues

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

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2014 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2014 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2014	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits		430.4	430.4	430.4	430.4	430.4	430.4
Miscellaneous							
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>

## Fund Source (Operating Only)

1005 GF/Prgm		430.4	430.4	430.4	430.4	430.4	430.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>430.4</b>

## Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

<b>Change in Revenues</b>							
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2013) cost: 0.0

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2014) cost: 0.0

## ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? Yes  
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 07/01/14

## Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

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## FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

STATE OF ALASKA  
2013 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. SB93

### Analysis

The Technical and Vocational Education Fund authorized under AS 23.15.840 sunsets on June 30, 2014. Senate Bill 93 extends the current Technical and Vocational Education program (TVEP) through June 30, 2024.

Out-year cost estimates are based on TVEP receipts included in DEED's FY2014 budget request and will be revised on an annual basis based on the balance of the fund.

This funding is a grant from The Department of Education & Early Development to the Galena Project Education Vocational Training Center.