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Title: EDUCATION
Sponsor: RLS BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR
Requester: Conference Committee

Department: Alaska Legislature
Appropriation: Budget and Audit Committee
Allocation: Legislative Audit
OMB Component Number: 773

Expenditures/Revenues

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

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2015 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2015 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2015	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services	650.0						
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	650.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1004 Gen Fund	650.0						
Total	650.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues							
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2014) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2015) 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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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:

This revised CC fiscal note reflects the estimated costs for the Legislative Budget and Audit committee to procure a study to evaluate the state's school funding provisions and make recommendations. This fiscal note represents the estimated cost of contracting for that study.

* **Sec. 54.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE STUDY OF PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING. The Legislative Budget and Audit Committee shall procure a study to be completed not later than January 20, 2015, by an entity with expertise in school finance to evaluate the current education funding provisions, identify strengths and deficiencies, and validate the current funding provisions, recommend changes to the current funding provisions, or recommend alternate methods of education funding. The study must include consideration of

(1) stable and sustainable funding for basic education needs and an ancillary system of providing funding above basic education needs;

(2) appropriate proportions and mechanisms for state and local contributions to public school funding;

(3) methods for funding alternate public school options, including charter schools, residential schools, and correspondence programs;

(4) current public school funding provisions under AS 14.11 - AS 14.17, with particular focus on

(A) the school size factor under AS 14.17.450, including a review of the most recent school operating cost data and the same criteria used in the "Alaska School Operating Cost Study" by the McDowell Group in 1998;

(B) the school district cost factor under AS 14.17.460, including a review of the most recent school district operating cost data and the same criteria used in the "Alaska School District Cost Study Update" by the Institute of Social and Economic Research in 2005.