

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2015 Legislative Session

Bill Version: HB 147  
Fiscal Note Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Identifier: HB147-DEC-EHL-03-27-15  
Title: ANIMALS: PROTECTION/RELEASE/CUSTODY  
Sponsor: VAZQUEZ  
Requester: House Judiciary Committee

Department: Department of Environmental Conservation  
Appropriation: Environmental Health  
Allocation: Laboratory Services  
OMB Component Number: 2065

**Expenditures/Revenues**

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

|                               | FY2016                  | Included in               | Out-Year Cost Estimates |                |                |                |                |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
|                               | Appropriation Requested | Governor's FY2016 Request | FY 2017                 | FY 2018        | FY 2019        | FY 2020        | FY 2021        |
| <b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b> | <b>FY 2016</b>          | <b>FY 2016</b>            | <b>FY 2017</b>          | <b>FY 2018</b> | <b>FY 2019</b> | <b>FY 2020</b> | <b>FY 2021</b> |
| Personal Services             |                         |                           |                         |                |                |                |                |
| Travel                        |                         |                           |                         |                |                |                |                |
| Services                      |                         |                           |                         |                |                |                |                |
| Commodities                   |                         |                           |                         |                |                |                |                |
| Capital Outlay                |                         |                           |                         |                |                |                |                |
| Grants & Benefits             |                         |                           |                         |                |                |                |                |
| Miscellaneous                 |                         |                           |                         |                |                |                |                |
| <b>Total Operating</b>        | <b>0.0</b>              | <b>0.0</b>                | <b>0.0</b>              | <b>0.0</b>     | <b>0.0</b>     | <b>0.0</b>     | <b>0.0</b>     |

**Fund Source (Operating Only)**

|              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| None         |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> |

**Positions**

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

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| <b>Change in Revenues</b> |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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**Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2015) cost:** 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*  
*(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)*

**Estimated CAPITAL (FY2016) 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:**

Not applicable, initial version.

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| Approved By: Alice Edwards, Deputy Commissioner  | Date: 03/27/15            |
| Agency: Department of Environmental Conservation |                           |

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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**Analysis**

**Analysis/Assumptions:**

This bill amends the law to hold an owner of animals lawfully seized due to cruelty responsible for the costs associated with their care during a cruelty trial. It adds pets to protective orders in cases of domestic violence and permits a judge to consider the well-being of an animal when determining custody in a divorce or dissolution.

The Department has the authority under AS 03.55.100(c) to adopt regulations regarding the minimum standards of care for animals. As written, this bill does not require the Department of Environmental Conservation to take any actions that would result in increased fiscal costs.