# Fiscal Note

# State of Alaska 2016 Legislative Session

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Identifier: HB214-DOLWD-WCAC-03-08-16

Title: REPEAL WORKERS' COMP APPEALS

COMMISSION

Sponsor: OLSON

Requester: House Labor and Commerce

Department: Department of Labor and Workforce Development

Appropriation: Workers' Compensation

Allocation: Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission

OMB Component Number: 2816

#### **Expenditures/Revenues**

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

(Thousands of Dollars)

Total Operating	(183.2)	439.6	(439.6)	(439.6)	(439.6)	(439.6)	(439.6)
Miscellaneous							
Grants & Benefits							
Capital Outlay							
Commodities	(2.1)	5.0	(5.0)	(5.0)	(5.0)	(5.0)	(5.0)
Services	(51.2)	122.9	(122.9)	(122.9)	(122.9)	(122.9)	(122.9)
Travel	(7.8)	18.7	(18.7)	(18.7)	(18.7)	(18.7)	(18.7)
Personal Services	(122.1)	293.0	(293.0)	(293.0)	(293.0)	(293.0)	(293.0)
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>	FY 2017	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
	Requested	Request					
	Appropriation	FY2017		Out-\	ear Cost Estin	nates	
	FY2017	Governor's					
		Included in					

**Fund Source (Operating Only)** 

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Total	(183.2)	439.6	(439.6)	(439.6)	(439.6)	(439.6)	(439.6)

#### **Positions**

Full-time	2.0	(2.0)	(2.0)	(2.0)	(2.0)	(2.0)
Part-time						
Temporary						

Change in Revenues				

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2016) cost: 0.0 (discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

(separate supplemental appropriation required)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2017) cost: 0.0

(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

(separate capital appropriation required)

## 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 No If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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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Agency: Department of Labor and Workforce Development

### FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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## **Analysis**

This legislation would require new appeals cases currently heard by the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission (WCAC) to be filed with the Alaska Superior Court beginning on June 1, 2016, but would retain the WCAC's jurisdiction over pending matters until December 1, 2016. The WCAC would be dissolved, effective February 2, 2017.
This legislation would eliminate the department's staffing and other operating costs currently required to support the WCAC. Assuming that the WCAC would cease incurring operating expenses after February 2, 2017, the FY2017 cost savings was calculated by budgeting for seven months instead of 12. The WCAC positions would terminate after the necessary seven months of support during FY2017 and be deleted in FY2018.

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