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MEMORANDUM

Date: May 11, 2015
To: Department of Health and Social Services
From: House Finance Committee
Re: Additional Medicaid Expansion Questions

41. How much will Medicaid expansion savings be each year through 2022?
42. Same question on savings with expansion and those reforms that we need a statute for in the current house bill?
43. Same question w expansion and all reforms in current house bill?
44. How many jobs will be created?
45. Why is the latest department commissioned study more accurate than prior state studies?
We're the user demographics more accurate?
- 46 will state savings continue after the Feds stop paying 100%?
47. If we don't pass Medicaid expansion this year how many years of 100% state coverage will we have missed? When will we miss the last year of 100% coverage?
48. What is economist Neal Frieds, or the best latest projection of Alaska private and public sector job losses for coming year and are those offset by Medicaid expansion created jobs?
49. How will the donut hole of people who don't get insurance subsidies be fixed by accepting expansion?
50. How will accepting expansion affect private insurance rates and medical costs.

51. Will Alaska Regionals plan to divert people to a low cost medical clinic if bill passes likely be replicated elsewhere?

52. How many lives could be saved with the expanded coverage?

53. Where do the economic benefits go geographically?

54. What are the total saving to the state from expansion and reform over the next six years? How do you account for these savings? What have other states similarly saved/spent?