

Fiscal Note

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Title: EXTEND SUICIDE PREVENTION COUNCIL
Sponsor: TARR
Requester: (H) HSS

Department: Department of Health and Social Services
Appropriation: Behavioral Health
Allocation: Suicide Prevention Council
OMB Component Number: 2651

Expenditures/Revenues

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

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2020 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2020 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2020	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
Personal Services		107.8	107.8	107.8	107.8	107.8	107.8
Travel		24.1	24.1	24.1	24.1	24.1	24.1
Services		51.3	51.3	51.3	51.3	51.3	51.3
Commodities		3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits		461.7	461.7	461.7	461.7	461.7	461.7
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	0.0	648.4	648.4	648.4	648.4	648.4	648.4

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1037 GF/MH (UGF)		648.4	648.4	648.4	648.4	648.4	648.4
Total	0.0	648.4	648.4	648.4	648.4	648.4	648.4

Positions

Full-time		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2019) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2020) cost: 0.0 (separate capital appropriation required)

Does the bill create or modify a new fund or account? No
(Supplemental/Capital/New Fund - 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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? N/A

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Not applicable; initial version based on the Governor's February 13, 2019 FY2020 amended budget request.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

Per AS 44.66.010(a)(7) the Statewide Suicide Prevention Council is scheduled to terminate on June 30, 2019. This bill extends the Statewide Suicide Prevention Council's sunset date to June 30, 2027. The council serves as the State's central agency for advising the legislature and governor on the actions that can and should be taken to reduce suicide and its effect on individuals, families, and communities.

The fiscal note assumes flat funding over the next five years. Operational costs are funded by general fund mental health (GF/MH) dollars.

The council is staffed by a program assistant and an executive director. The council's executive director also serves as the executive director for the Alaska Mental Health Board (AMHB) and the Advisory Board on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (ABADA). The co-location is formalized by a memorandum of agreement between the three entities and facilitates collaboration through shared resources. Per the agreement, AMHB and ABADA pay the personal services and travel costs for the executive director.

Travel funds allow the council to hold meetings throughout the state to allow maximum input/participation from community-based suicide prevention coalitions, their partners, and individual Alaskans into the decision-making process of the council.

Services funds include rental space, printing, Internet Technology (IT) support, phones, mailing, departmental shared services charges, and contractual fees for travel desk support.

The Grants, Benefits line includes a reimbursable services agreement (RSA) with the Department of Education and Early Development (DEED) for the Suicide Awareness, Prevention, and Postvention (SAPP) program. The SAPP program provides eLearning training courses about suicide awareness, prevention, and postvention; and provides direct services for at-risk youth in school districts through grants.

Developing and implementing a statewide suicide prevention plan is one of the council's most significant statutory duties.

A revised plan for the five year period 2018 - 2022, titled "Recasting the Net" was issued January 2018. The updated plan moves from a system focused on intervention to one that emphasizes prevention by promoting the health of people, families, and communities. The statewide plan is aligned with the National Strategy for Suicide Prevention and the American Indian and Alaska Native National Suicide Prevention Strategic Plan.