



February 25, 2026

The Honorable Neal Foster
Co-Chair, House Finance Committee
Alaska State Capitol, Room 511
Juneau, AK 99801

The Honorable Andy Josephson
Co-Chair, House Finance Committee
Alaska State Capitol, Room 505
Juneau, AK 99801

The Honorable Calvin Schrage
Co-Chair, House Finance Committee
Alaska State Capitol, Room 410
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Co-Chairs Foster, Josephson, and Schrage,

Thank you for inviting the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to present an overview of the Governor’s fiscal year (FY) 2027 Amended Budget to the House Finance Committee on February 19, 2026. This letter completes the responses to questions and requests for follow-up information from this hearing. All of the dollar figures presented in this document are in thousands.

1. What does the Department of Corrections (DOC) spend on inmate medical needs per year?

The table below shows the total the DOC spent in FY2023 through FY2025, plus the budgeted amounts for FY2026 and FY2027, to provide physical health care services for offenders in the department’s custody.

FY2023 Actuals	FY2024 Actuals	FY2025 Actuals	FY2026 Management Plan plus Supplementals	FY2027 Governor plus Governor Amend
\$66,997.8	\$67,461.9	\$74,390.8	\$74,972.0	\$76,287.9

2. What is the increase from year to year for the last five years for the DOC's budget?

The table below shows the DOC's total spend in FY2021 through FY2025, plus the budgeted amounts for FY2026 and FY2027, as well as the dollar and percent changes, from year to year for all fund sources.

	FY2021 Actuals	FY2022 Actuals	FY2023 Actuals	FY2024 Actuals	FY2025 Actuals	FY2026 Management Plan plus Supplementals	FY2027 Governor Amend
Total (all funds)	\$395,271.2	\$404,716.7	\$422,661.1	\$445,861.2	\$476,559.7	\$ 514,019.8	\$523,436.2
\$ Change Year to Year		\$ 9,445.5	\$ 17,944.4	\$ 23,200.1	\$ 30,698.5	\$ 37,460.1	\$ 9,416.4
% Change Year to Year		2%	4%	5%	7%	8%	2%

In addition, the Legislative Finance Division has a number of agency graphs available on their website that show data for the Department of Corrections from FY2017 Management Plan through FY2027 Governor's Budget. Those graphs are available at the following link: <https://www.legfin.akleg.gov/BudgetAnalysisTools/LY2026/DOC-Graph.pdf?1769203419>.

Please contact my office if you have further questions.

Sincerely,



Lacey Sanders
Director

cc: Alexei Painter, Director, Legislative Finance Division
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