

Fiscal Note

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Identifier: HB295-DOR-PFD-2-27-26
Title: PFD ELIGIBILITY; PILOT ALLOWABLE ABSENCE
Sponsor: MCCABE
Requester: (H)STA

Department: Department of Revenue
Appropriation: Taxation and Treasury
Allocation: Permanent Fund Dividend Division
OMB Component Number: 981

Expenditures/Revenues

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

	FY2027	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2027 Request	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2027	FY 2027						
Personal Services	49.6		99.2	99.2	99.2	99.2	99.2	99.2
Travel								
Services	13.9		13.9	13.9	13.9	13.9	13.9	13.9
Commodities	4.0					4.0		
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
Total Operating	67.5	0.0	113.1	113.1	113.1	113.1	117.1	113.1

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1050 PFD Fund (Other)	67.5		113.1	113.1	113.1	117.1	113.1
Total	67.5	0.0	113.1	113.1	113.1	117.1	113.1

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						

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2026) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2027) 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? **Yes**
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? **12/31/26**

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Not applicable, initial version.

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Agency:	Department of Revenue		

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

Background and Summary

This bill adds language allowing a pilot who flies out of Alaska on a United States airline certified as an air carrier by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to remain eligible for the Permanent Fund Dividend (PFD), provided they meet all other eligibility requirements.

Revenue Impact

There are no changes in revenues as a result of the proposed legislation.

Implementation Cost

February 2026 FAA data indicate there are 2,530 Airline Transport Pilots (ATP) and 1,924 commercial pilots in Alaska. Establishing this allowable absence has the potential of increasing the number of dividend applications worked by the division by approximately 4,454. Based on the anticipated workload, one new full-time PFD Technician 2. is required. This fiscal note assumes a mid-fiscal-year hire aligned with the start of the filing season on January 1, 2027.

FY2027 costs beginning 1/1/2027:

\$49.6 for personal services; \$13.9 for statewide core services; and \$4.0 for office equipment (office chair, laptop, monitor, and docking station).

There will be one-time programming costs to add the allowable absence to the PFD application which the division is unable to estimate at this time.

FY2028 total costs moving forward:

\$99.2 for personal services; \$13.9 for statewide core services; and \$4.0 every fourth year for equipment refresh.