

Fiscal Note

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Identifier: HB234-DPS-AST-3-6-26
Title: PERS: EMERGENCY DISPATCHERS
Sponsor: HALL
Requester: (H) Community & Regional Affairs

Department: Department of Public Safety
Appropriation: Alaska State Troopers
Allocation: Dispatch Services
OMB Component Number: 3346

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 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2027	FY 2027					
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	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? 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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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:

Initial fiscal note; not applicable.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This bill amends statute to classify dispatchers in police and fire departments and in state trooper offices as peace officers for purposes of the Public Employees' Retirement System. The change affects retirement eligibility by allowing qualifying dispatchers to retire under the peace officer and firefighter provisions of PERS.

Dispatch personnel employed by the Department of Public Safety will remain in their current positions with no changes to job duties, staffing levels, compensation structures, or training requirements as a result of this legislation. A review of employer benefit costs within the State's budget system indicates that the proposed classification does not change the employer retirement contribution rate paid by the department.

While earlier retirement eligibility may present operational considerations over time, the legislation does not create a direct or quantifiable budget impact to the Department of Public Safety.

The department does not anticipate an increase in workload, staffing, or operating costs as a result of this legislation. Implementation can be absorbed within existing resources. There is no fiscal impact anticipated to the Department of Public Safety.