

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2026 Legislative Session

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Identifier: HB377-LAW-SLA-03-13-26
 Title: PUBLIC RECORDS: AUDIO & VIDEO; MUNI
 COSTS
 Sponsor: STATE AFFAIRS
 Requester: (H) Community & Regional Affairs

Department: Department of Law
 Appropriation: Civil Division
 Allocation: Special Litigation & Appeals
 OMB Component Number: 3460

Expenditures/Revenues

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

	FY2027 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2027 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
			FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
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	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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

Not applicable, initial template.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This bill would confirm that "record" in the State Records Management Act and "public records" in the Alaska Public Records Act include audio and video recordings. The Department of Law already interprets those statutes to include audio and video recordings. In addition, the bill would authorize a municipality to charge a requester the personnel costs of searching for and copying public records in response to a request that falls under AS 40.25.110 even if completing those tasks does not exceed five person-hours in a calendar month. A public agency of the State would remain subject to the five-person-hour threshold in AS 40.25.110(c). The bill would not result in any increased cost to the Department of Law.