

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2026 Legislative Session

Bill Version: SB 232  
Fiscal Note Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Identifier: SB232-DNR-DPOR-3-13-26  
Title: PERSONAL COLLECTION OF CERTAIN FOSSILS  
Sponsor: YUNDT  
Requester: (S)Education

Department: Department of Natural Resources  
Appropriation: Parks & Outdoor Recreation  
Allocation: Parks Management & Access  
OMB Component Number: 3001

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

**Fund Source (Operating Only)**

None								
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.0</b>							

**Positions**

Full-time								
Part-time								
Temporary								

**Change in Revenues**

None								
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.0</b>							

**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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

**Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:**

Not applicable, initial version.

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Agency:	Department of Natural Resources		

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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**Analysis**

This bill has a zero fiscal note.

The bill keeps the existing research-permit system intact while adding only minor wording changes. It creates a new personal-use category allowing people to collect limited amounts of certain invertebrate and plant fossils on most DNR-managed lands. These personal-use collections cannot be sold, used for research, or made with anything other than hand tools, and they effectively transfer ownership of most collected fossils away from the state. The change introduces enforcement challenges around weight limits, tool restrictions, and preventing commercial diversion. Overall, the bill opens significant fossil resources to public collection while maintaining protections for vertebrate fossils and formal research activities.