

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2026 Legislative Session

Bill Version: HB 344  
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Identifier: HB344-DOR-TRS-3-27-26  
Title: OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUND  
Sponsor: COULOMBE  
Requester: (H) HSS

Department: Department of Revenue  
Appropriation: Taxation and Treasury  
Allocation: Treasury Division  
OMB Component Number: 121

**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
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</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)**

1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	(11.0)		(12.0)	(14.0)	(15.0)	(16.0)	(18.0)
1274 Other Temp (Other)	11.0		12.0	14.0	15.0	16.0	18.0
<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?** Yes  
*(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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? No

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

Not applicable, initial version.

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## FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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### Analysis

This legislation amends AS 37.14 by adding a new section, AS 37.14.900, to create the Opioid Litigation Settlement Fund which is established as a separate fund in the state treasury. The legislature may appropriate to the fund settlement proceeds received by the state from manufacturers or distributors of opioids and income from the fund.

The bill identifies the Department of Revenue to spend money in the fund for opioid remediation in compliance with settlement agreements between the state and manufacturers or distributors of opioids and to pay the costs to manage the fund.

The Treasury structure allows it to efficiently manage numerous funds at low cost. Creating the new fund will not increase Treasury's budget because Treasury allocates all of its costs among all state funds and retirement investment funds it manages. As such, management from the Treasury will result in a slight reallocation of funding from other funds.

For purposes of developing the costs of managing the fund, the Treasury Division used the following assumptions which are likely to change in terms settlement proceeds, spending and investment returns:

- \$33 million current balance available, with an additional \$58 million coming in over the next 16 years, frontloaded at a rate of \$7 million per year for the first 6 years;
- 3 percent rate of return; and
- \$4 million appropriated annually for opioid remediation.