

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2026 Legislative Session

Bill Version: HB 262  
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Identifier: HB262-DOA-OPA-3-27-26  
Title: NUMBER OF SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES  
Sponsor: RLS BY REQUEST  
Requester: (H) JUDICIARY

Department: Department of Administration  
Appropriation: Legal and Advocacy Services  
Allocation: Office of Public Advocacy  
OMB Component Number: 43

**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>						
Personal Services	214.8		214.8	214.8	214.8	214.8	214.8	214.8
Travel	5.6		5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6
Services	44.1		44.1	44.1	44.1	44.1	44.1	44.1
Commodities	3.5		3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>268.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>268.0</b>	<b>268.0</b>	<b>268.0</b>	<b>268.0</b>	<b>268.0</b>	<b>268.0</b>

**Fund Source (Operating Only)**

1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	268.0		268.0	268.0	268.0	268.0	268.0	268.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>268.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>268.0</b>	<b>268.0</b>	<b>268.0</b>	<b>268.0</b>	<b>268.0</b>	<b>268.0</b>

**Positions**

Full-time	1.0		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Part-time							
Temporary							

**Change in Revenues**

None							
<b>Total</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>

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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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**Analysis**

This bill adds a superior court judge to the third judicial district to serve in Palmer. Adding judges enables increased capacity for current cases to have hearings, trials, and be processed to final disposition. Long-term there will be added capacity for future filings.

This increased capacity will result in additional workload for the Agency as current cases will move more quickly, increasing the volume of court hearings and trials for agency attorneys.

OPA's Palmer office carries a mixed civil and criminal caseload. The agency will need one Attorney 1/2/3/4 position to implement this legislation.

Add Attorney 1/2/3/4 (range 24/C, Anchorage)

Personal Services - \$214.8

Travel - \$5.6

Contractual - \$27.7

Indirect - \$16.4

Supplies - \$3.5