

Fiscal Note

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Sponsor: BURKE
Requester: (H) Education

Department: Department of Education and Early Development
Appropriation: Education Support and Admin Services
Allocation: Broadband Assistance Grants
OMB Component Number: 3004

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		21,017.3	218,698.0	218,698.0	218,698.0	218,698.0	218,698.0	218,698.0
Miscellaneous								
Total Operating	0.0	21,017.3	218,698.0	218,698.0	218,698.0	218,698.0	218,698.0	218,698.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1004 Gen Fund (UGF)		21,017.3	218,698.0	218,698.0	218,698.0	218,698.0	218,698.0	218,698.0
Total	0.0	21,017.3	218,698.0	218,698.0	218,698.0	218,698.0	218,698.0	218,698.0

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? Yes
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 07/01/27

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

The bill amends AS 14.03.127 Funding for internet services to provide Alaska school districts with funding through the School Broadband Assistance Grant (BAG) to assist eligible schools in their district reach up to one gigabyte per second (Gbps).

The department estimates it would cost \$242,997.8 in grant funding if all eligible schools were able to reach 1 Gbps download speeds; however, it is assumed that a portion of schools would not be able to achieve 1 Gbps, so the estimate has been reduced by 10 percent, resulting in an estimated cost of \$218,698.0 annually in fiscal years 2028 through FY2032. No appropriation would be needed in FY2027, as the application periods for federal universal services program and BAG program will be concluded before the bill's change takes effect.

The current FY2027 appropriation includes 1.5 percent indirect rate for program administration. No additional funding based on the additional appropriation amount is anticipated to be needed. The existing indirect budget is sufficient for the regulation development to conform to the revised download speed.

The statute's effective date is 90 days after becoming law, per AS 01.10.070 *Time statutes become law and take effect*.