

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2026 Legislative Session

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Identifier: SB079CS(LC)-DOLWD-WH-5-16-26
Title: PAYMENT OF WAGES; PAYROLL CARD
ACCOUNT
Sponsor: LABOR & COMMERCE
Requester: (H) L&C

Department: Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Appropriation: Labor Standards and Safety
Allocation: Wage and Hour Administration
OMB Component Number: 345

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 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2027	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032
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

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None							
Total	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

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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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

Updated from SLA2025 to SLA2026 template and based on the committee substitute that was introduced at the end of session last year.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

Employers in Alaska are required to pay wages or other compensation for services with lawful money through checks, money orders, or through direct deposit into a bank, savings and loan, or credit union. This legislation amends the list of acceptable payment methods to include bank cards, and include provisions regard the limitation of fees for the employee to use their bank card or check their account balance.

The division currently investigates all claims of wage theft, loss, or mishandling and does not anticipate an increase in costs for the division as a result of this legislation.