Fiscal Note State of Alaska Bill Version: **SB 24** 2025 Legislative Session Fiscal Note Number: () Publish Date: Identifier: SB024-DOH-CDPHP-02-21-25 Department: Department of Health Title: TOBACCO/NICOTINE/E-CIG AGE; E-CIG TAX Appropriation: Public Health Sponsor: **STEVENS** Allocation: Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Requester: (S) L&C OMB Component Number: 2818 Expenditures/Revenues Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars) Included in FY2026 Governor's FY2026 **Out-Year Cost Estimates** Appropriation Requested Request **OPERATING EXPENDITURES** FY 2026 FY 2026 FY 2027 FY 2028 FY 2029 FY 2030 FY 2031 Personal Services Trave 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 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 Total 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 0.0 Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2025) cost: (separate supplemental appropriation required) Estimated CAPITAL (FY2026) 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 Yes 01/01/26 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

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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

SB024 raises the minimum legal age to purchase tobacco and nicotine products from 19 to 21. The bill reduces the fine for underage possession of tobacco or nicotine from \$500 to \$300, with an option for the court to refer the person in possession to a tobacco education program. The bill retains the exception for electronic cigarettes used for tobacco cessation, if approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as a cessation device.
The bill creates a new sales tax structure for electronic smoking products, which are not currently taxed. The bill prohibits online sales of tobacco products to individuals for personal use, likely to address current inconsistencies in state tobacco tax collection. The definition of electronic smoking products would implement a 25 percent sales tax on closed electronic smoking products and vapor products.
This bill removes the Tobacco Use Education and Cessation Fund (TUECF) as a special account within the General Fund and establishes TUECF as its own fund within the state treasury. There is no direct fiscal impact from this legislation to either fund.
The bill sets an effective date of January 1, 2026; Sections related to sales, shipping, licensing, and tax have an effective date of January 1, 2027.
There is limited programmatic impact and no fiscal impact is foreseen; therefore this is a zero dollar fiscal note.

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