

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2024 Legislative Session

Bill Version: SB 115  
Fiscal Note Number:  
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Identifier: SB115-DCCED-CBPL-01-18-24  
Title: PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SCOPE OF PRACTICE  
Sponsor: TOBIN BY REQUEST  
Requester: (S) HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Department: Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development  
Appropriation: Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing  
Allocation: Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing  
OMB Component Number: 2360

## Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2025 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2025 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
			FY 2025	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
<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>

## Fund Source (Operating Only)

None							
<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 (FY2024) cost:** 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

**Estimated CAPITAL (FY2025) 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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

12/31/25

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

Not applicable, initial version.
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Agency:

Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

## FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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### Analysis

This legislation moves the scope of practice for physician assistants (PAs) from regulation under the State Medical Board to statute and expands that scope to allow PAs with more than 2,000 hours of practice experience to practice without a collaborative agreement with a physician. The proposed new scope of practice allows PAs to provide a variety of services, including writing medical orders, supervising, and delegating therapeutic and diagnostic measures to licensed and unlicensed professionals, and prescribe, dispense, order, and administer drugs and medical devices, including schedule II-V controlled substances (if they hold an active U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency registration number).

The Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing does not anticipate fiscal impact from this legislation.

*Licensing fees for each occupation are set per AS 08.01.065. The total amount of revenue collected approximately equals each occupation's actual regulatory costs. Professional licensing programs within the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing are funded by Receipt Supported Services – fund source 1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF).*