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Allocation Student and School Achievement
Sponsor Senator Hoffman
Requester Senate Rules OMB Component Number 2796

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	FY2025 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2025 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
			FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY2025	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030
Personal Services	148.9		148.9	148.9	148.9	148.9	148.9
Travel	10.0		10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Services	22.5		16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5
Commodities	5.0						
Capital Outlay							
Grants, Benefits	5,177.5		5,177.5	5,177.5	5,177.5	5,177.5	5,177.5
Miscellaneous							
TOTAL OPERATING	5,363.9	0.0	5,352.9	5,352.9	5,352.9	5,352.9	5,352.9

FUND SOURCE		(Thousands of Dollars)						
1002	Fed Rcpts (Fed)							
1003	GF/Match (UGF)							
1004	Gen Fund (UGF)	5,363.9	5,352.9	5,352.9	5,352.9	5,352.9	5,352.9	
1005	GF/Prgm (DGF)							
1007	I/A Rcpts (Other)							
1037	GF/MH (UGF)							
		5,363.9	0.0	5,352.9	5,352.9	5,352.9	5,352.9	5,352.9

POSITIONS								
Full-time								
Part-time								
Temporary								

CHANGE IN REVENUES		FY2025	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030
1004	Gen Fund (UGF)							
1002	Fed Rcpts (Fed)							
TOTAL CHANGE IN REVENUES		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2024) operating costs 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2025) costs 0.0 (separate capital appropriation required)

Does the bill create or modify a 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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended, or repealed? 6/30/2025 Discuss details in analysis section.

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments (if initial version, please note as such)

Updated Fiscal Note for House Floor Amendments. This bill includes a new coordinator for charter school policy and procedures and provides funding of \$500 for each K-3 student who shows a deficiency in the Alaska Reads Act literacy screener results.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This bill directs the department to create a new position to coordinate charter school policy and procedures (AS 14.03.256). This position will track historical and current charter school activity, regulations, and policy, as well as coordinating with the Association of Alaska School Boards (AASB) to support charter school academic policy committees and local school boards.

The cost of the charter school coordinator will be \$186.4 for the first year. This includes an Education Specialist I (Range 21 Step C/D \$148.9), travel to attend AASB trainings and convenings as well as to assist districts as needed (\$10.0), chargebacks (\$16.5), one-time charge to commodities for supplies and equipment (\$5.0), and a one-time charge for regulation work with the Department of Law (\$6.0). The fiscal impact for the second year will be \$175.4 (salary, travel, and chargebacks).

In addition, the bill directs the department to provide school districts with \$500 per student in grades kindergarten through grade 3 who are determined to have a reading deficiency based on the statewide screening or assessment tool (AS 14.30.773). These funds are to be used to provide support, intervention, and services the students need for the student's improvement plan. This also includes any professional development the educators need.

The fiscal impact for funding districts with \$500 per student that were determined to have a reading deficiency would be \$5,177.5 (10,355 K-3 students x 500). The number of students was projected by using the Middle of the Year Literacy Screener data for the 2023-2024 school year shown below:

Middle of the Year Literacy Screener Composite Score
2023-2024 School Year

Grade	Composite Score Well Below Benchmark
K	2,808
1	2,594
2	2,537
3	2,416
All Grades	10,355