

2024 SESSION OPERATING BUDGET AMENDMENT PROPOSAL

OFFERED IN: The House Finance Committee

TO: HB 268 / HB 270

OFFERED BY: Rep Josephson

FISCAL YEAR: FY 2025

DEPARTMENT: Education & Early Development

APPROPRIATION: Libraries, Archives, and Museums

STRUCTURE: Create Live Homework Help Allocation

ADD: \$75,000, 1004 Gen Fund (UGF)

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ALLOCATION: Library Operations

DELETE: \$75,000, 1004 Gen Fund (UGF)

EXPLANATION:

The Institute of Museum and Library Service (IMLS) Grants to States Program uses a population-based formula to distribute around \$180 million among the State Library Administrative Agencies (SLAAs) each year. The Alaska State Library serves as the SLAA for Alaska. The Division of Libraries, Archives and Museums directly manages the IMLS funds that are used to support statewide initiatives and services, distributed through competitive subawards, or used to support cooperative agreements with Alaskan libraries or consortia. The IMLS Grants to States award for Alaska has increased an average of \$79.0 each year from 2019 to 2023. The 2023 IMLS Grants to States award was

\$1,280.2, an increase of \$171.6 from the 2022 IMLS award. The division transferred federal authority from Museum Operations to Library Operations component in FY2024 to cover the increased award amount. However, there will not be sufficient federal authority in FY2025 to cover another increase in the IMLS Grants to State award. This proposal requests additional federal receipts authority to have sufficient authority to accept the 2024 IMLS Grants to States award.

This amendment transfers Live Homework Help funding from the Library Operations allocation to a separate allocation within the Library, Archives and Museums appropriation. The entire \$75,000 UGF associated with Live Homework Help is transferred. There are no associated positions.