

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2024 Legislative Session

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Identifier: LL0500-DFG-DSF-01-23-24  
Title: SPORT FISHING ANGLER ACCESS  
ACCT/SURCHARG  
Sponsor: RLS BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR  
Requester: GOVERNOR

Department: Department of Fish and Game  
Appropriation: Sport Fisheries  
Allocation: Sport Fisheries  
OMB Component Number: 464

## 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>	<b>FY 2025</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>

## Fund Source (Operating Only)

None							
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.0</b>		<b>0.0</b>		<b>0.0</b>		<b>0.0</b>

## Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

## Change in Revenues

1024 Fish/Game (Other)	2,063.9		4,127.8	4,127.8	4,127.8	4,127.8	4,127.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,063.9</b>		<b>0.0</b>	<b>4,127.8</b>	<b>4,127.8</b>	<b>4,127.8</b>	<b>4,127.8</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?** Yes

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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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

Not applicable; initial version.

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## FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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**Analysis**

This legislation amends AS 16.05.340 to establish an angler access surcharge on sport fish licenses and AS 16.05.130 to create a sub-account within the Fish and Game Fund to collect the funds, referred to as the Sport Fishing Angler Access Account. The fees would be used to directly fund angler access projects without impact to other Division of Sport Fish programs and results in additional funds available for the division to use as match for Dingell-Johnson dollars on angler access projects.

The licensing fee structure of this legislation would take effect January 1, 2025. By using a five-year average of license sales and deducting 10% for vendor commissions and overhead, the department estimates the surcharge revenue generation at approximately \$4.1 million annually and half that amount for FY2025 at \$2.06 million.

<b>License Type</b>	<b>Proposed Fee</b>
Resident Sport Fishing	\$4
Resident Hunting and Sport Fishing	\$4
Resident Hunting, Trapping, and Sport Fishing	\$4
Nonresident 14-day Sport Fishing	\$25
Nonresident 7-day Sport Fishing	\$20
Nonresident 3-day Sport Fishing	\$10
Nonresident 1-day Sport Fishing	\$5
Nonresident Annual Sport Fishing	\$40
Special Nonresident Military Small Game and Sport Fishing	\$4
Special Nonresident Military Sport Fishing	\$4
Nonresident 14-day Hunting and Sport Fishing	\$25
Nonresident 7-day Hunting and Sport Fishing	\$20
Nonresident 3-day Hunting and Sport Fishing	\$10
Nonresident 1-day Hunting and Sport Fishing	\$5
<b>Approximate Annual Revenue</b>	<b>\$4.1 Million</b>