

2024 Session Operating Budget Amendment

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Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Ortiz

Agency: Commerce, Community & Econ Dev
Appropriation: Alaska Seafood Marketing Inst
Allocation: Alaska Seafood Marketing Inst

Transaction Details

Title: Support Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute
Section: Section 1
Type: IncOTI

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	10,000.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
	<hr/> 10,000.0

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	10,000.0
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Explanation

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Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Josephson

Agency: Commerce, Community & Econ Dev
Appropriation: Tourism Marketing
Allocation: Tourism Marketing

Transaction Details

Title: Tourism Marketing Grant to Alaska Travel Industry Association (ATIA)
Section: Section 1
Type: IncOTI

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	0.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	2,500.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	2,500.0
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Explanation

Last year, the Senate amended into the first Senate Committee substitute of HB 39 (2023) an appropriation request titled "Tourism Marketing Grant to the Alaska Travel Industry Association (ATIA)." An additional amount was added during the Senate Finance budget process, and the total amount equaled \$5 million. This appropriation was passed out of both bodies and sent to the Governor where he vetoed half the amount.

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FY 25 does not include a new IncOTI for this allocation. This amendment adds the amount vetoed last year.

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Agency: Commerce, Community & Econ Dev
Appropriation: Tourism Marketing
Allocation: Tourism Marketing

Transaction Details

Title: Increase Tourism Marketing Grant to Alaska Travel Industry Association (ATIA)
Section: Section 1
Type: IncOTI

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	0.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	7,500.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	7,500.0
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Explanation

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Alyeska Reading Academy Decrement

Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Ortiz

Agency: Education & Early Dev
Appropriation: Education Support and Admin
Allocation: Alyeska Reading Academy

Transaction Details

Title: Remove ARAI Salary Adjustment
Section: Section 1
Type: Dec

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	-31.6
Travel:	0.0
Services:	0.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
	-31.6

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	-31.6
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Agency: Education & Early Dev
Appropriation: Education Support and Admin
Allocation: Alyeska Reading Academy

Transaction Details

Title: Delete Funding for Alyeska Reading Academy and Institute
Section: Section 1
Type: Dec

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Alyeska Reading Academy Decrement

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	-1,140.5
Travel:	-44.6
Services:	-708.0
Commodities:	-1,115.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	-1,991.9
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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	-5,000.0

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	-7
Permanent Part-Time:	-2
Temporary:	-3

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	-5,000.0
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DFG CommFish 10% Inc

Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Ortiz

Agency: Fish and Game
Appropriation: Commercial Fisheries
Allocation: SE Region Fisheries Mgmt.

Transaction Details

Title: Additional 10% of FY25 Increase for Cost of Services Due to Inflation
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	5.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	5.0
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Agency: Fish and Game
Appropriation: Commercial Fisheries
Allocation: Central Region Fisheries Mgmt.

Transaction Details

Title: Additional 10% of FY25 Increase for Cost of Services Due to Inflation
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

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Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	10.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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	10.0

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	10.0
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Agency: Fish and Game
Appropriation: Commercial Fisheries
Allocation: AYK Region Fisheries Mgmt.

Transaction Details

Title: Additional 10% of FY25 Increase for Cost of Services Due to Inflation
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	7.5
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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	7.5

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	7.5
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Agency: Fish and Game
Appropriation: Commercial Fisheries
Allocation: Westward Region Fisheries Mgmt

Transaction Details

Title: Additional 10% of FY25 Increase for Cost of Services Due to Inflation
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

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Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	7.5
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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	7.5

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	7.5
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Agency: Fish and Game
Appropriation: Commercial Fisheries
Allocation: Statewide Fisheries Management

Transaction Details

Title: Additional 10% of FY25 Increase for Cost of Services Due to Inflation
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	5.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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	5.0

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	5.0
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Agency: Fish and Game
Appropriation: Commercial Fisheries
Allocation: Statewide Fisheries Management

Transaction Details

Title: Additional 10% of FY25 Increase for Mark, Tag, and Age Laboratory Cost Increases Due to Inflation
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

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DFG CommFish 10% Inc

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Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	5.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	0.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
	<hr/> 5.0

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	5.0
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Agency: Fish and Game
Appropriation: Commercial Fisheries
Allocation: Statewide Fisheries Management

Transaction Details

Title: Additional 10% of FY25 Increase for Pathology Laboratory Cost Increases
Due to Inflation
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	1.3
Travel:	0.0
Services:	2.2
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
	<hr/> 3.5

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	3.5
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Offered In: The House Finance Committee
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Offered By: Representative Ortiz

Agency: Fish and Game
Appropriation: Commercial Fisheries
Allocation: SE Region Fisheries Mgmt.

Transaction Details

Title: Additional 5% of FY25 Increase for Cost of Services Due to Inflation
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	2.5
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	2.5
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Agency: Fish and Game
Appropriation: Commercial Fisheries
Allocation: Central Region Fisheries Mgmt.

Transaction Details

Title: Additional 5% of FY25 Increase for Cost of Services Due to Inflation
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

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Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	5.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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	5.0

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	5.0
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Agency: Fish and Game
Appropriation: Commercial Fisheries
Allocation: AYK Region Fisheries Mgmt.

Transaction Details

Title: Additional 5% of FY25 Increase for Cost of Services Due to Inflation
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	3.8
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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	3.8

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	3.8
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Agency: Fish and Game
Appropriation: Commercial Fisheries
Allocation: Westward Region Fisheries Mgmt

Transaction Details

Title: Additional 5% of FY25 Increase for Cost of Services Due to Inflation
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

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Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	3.8
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	3.8
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Agency: Fish and Game
Appropriation: Commercial Fisheries
Allocation: Statewide Fisheries Management

Transaction Details

Title: Additional 5% of FY25 Increase for Mark, Tag, and Age Laboratory Cost Increase Due to Inflation
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	2.5
Travel:	0.0
Services:	0.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
	<hr/> 2.5

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	2.5
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Agency: Fish and Game
Appropriation: Commercial Fisheries
Allocation: Statewide Fisheries Management

Transaction Details

Title: Additional 5% Increase of FY25 Pathology Laboratory Cost Increases Due to Inflation
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

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Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.7
Travel:	0.0
Services:	1.1
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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	1.8

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	1.8
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Agency: Fish and Game
Appropriation: Commercial Fisheries
Allocation: Statewide Fisheries Management

Transaction Details

Title: Additional 5% of FY25 Increase for Cost of Services Due to Inflation
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	2.5
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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	2.5

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	2.5
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Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Josephson

Agency: Health
Appropriation: Medicaid Services
Allocation: Medicaid Services

Transaction Details

Title: K0739 U2 Labor Code Rate Increase
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	0.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	3,000.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	3,000.0
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Explanation

The K0739 labor code deals with stairlifts, patient lifts, and wheelchair lifts Medicaid reimbursement. The Specialized Medical Equipment Fee Schedule has remained the same since 2012 at a rate of \$20 per 15 minutes (\$80/hr). This amendment would raise it to \$34.75 per 15 minutes (\$139/hr), a rate equivalent to the allowable amount under this labor code.

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Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Ortiz

Agency: Health
Appropriation: Senior and Disabilities Svcs
Allocation: Senior Community Based Grants

Transaction Details

Title: Increase Funding for Adult Day Services
Section: Section 1
Type: IncOTI

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	0.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	2,000.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	2,000.0
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Explanation

2024 Session Operating Budget Amendment

Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Josephson

Agency: Health
Appropriation: Senior and Disabilities Svcs
Allocation: Senior Community Based Grants

Transaction Details

Title: Funding for Centers for Independent Living
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	0.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	2,000.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
	<hr/> 2,000.0

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	2,000.0
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Explanation

\$1,498,200 has been appropriated for Independent Living centers that currently exist in the state. These centers are community-based, cross-disability, non-profit organizations that are designed and operated by people with disabilities. These are essential for seniors all across the state who need care and want to receive assistance in living independently.

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Support of existing Adult Day grantees and the expansion and development of Adult Day Services in underserved areas is needed to provide respite for unpaid caregivers and financial stabilization for families while Alaska's population ages. Expenditure data from FY21 to FY23 reflects positive cost trends, with the per-hour cost decreasing from \$40 to \$18. The State of Alaska can build on its efficiency by allocating this funding, enabling ADS grantees to serve more Alaskans, especially those who do not qualify for Medicaid. Additionally, this funding would facilitate the financial recovery of adult day centers still grappling with the aftermath of COVID-19 complications.

2024 Session Operating Budget Amendment

Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Ortiz

Agency: Commerce, Community & Econ Dev
Appropriation: Community and Regional Affairs
Allocation: Community & Regional Affairs

Transaction Details

Title: Grant to Inter-Island Ferry Authority for Operations
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	0.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	250.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	250.0
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Explanation

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Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Josephson

Agency: Health
Appropriation: Public Assistance
Allocation: Child Care Benefits

Transaction Details

Title: Increase General Fund Support for Federal Child Care Block Grant
 Funding
Section: Section 1
Type: IncOTI

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	0.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	15,000.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	15,000.0
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Explanation

Last year, \$15,000,000 (\$7,500.0 Fed, \$7,500.0 UGF) was added by the legislature to the FY24 budget as an IncOTI in support of increasing child care worker wages.

This amendment would give the child care sector a much needed boost to help with direct

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operating costs, improve worker wages and provide incentives for new business to open their doors.

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Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Galvin

ADOPTED
CONCEPTUAL AMENDMENT
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COULOMBE
REDUCE TO \$7.5 MILLION
ONE TIME FUNDING

Agency: Health
Appropriation: Public Assistance
Allocation: Child Care Benefits

Transaction Details

Title: Child Care Grant Program Funding for Place-based and Home-based
Child Care Centers
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

ADOPTED
CONCEPTUAL AMENDMENT 3
JOHNSON
DEED PROVIDE REPORT TO
LEGISLATURE ON HOW IT
CARRIES OUT OVERSIGHT
ON LICENSED DAY CARE
PROVIDERS ACCEPTING
STATE FUNDS.

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)	
Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	0.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	15,000.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
	15,000.0

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	15,000.0
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Explanation

It is the intent of the Legislature to help provide direct operating grants through the Child Care Grant Program, in the Child Care Program Office, to support place-based and home-based childcare centers.

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Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Josephson

Agency: Health
Appropriation: Public Assistance
Allocation: Child Care Benefits

Transaction Details

Title: Additional Funding for Wage Increases to Support Child Care Block Grant Discretionary Funds
Section: Section 1
Type: IncOTI

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	0.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	15,000.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
	<hr/> 15,000.0

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1002 Fed Rcpts	7,500.0
1004 Gen Fund	7,500.0

Explanation

The legislature chose to add one-time funding in the FY24 budget that was intended to support child care worker wages. This amendment would make that one-time item effective again in FY25.

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Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Josephson

Agency: Health
Appropriation: Public Assistance
Allocation: Child Care Benefits

Transaction Details

Title: Increase General Fund Support for Child Care System
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	0.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	30,500.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
	<u>30,500.0</u>

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	30,500.0
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Explanation

This funding is needed to elevate the current federal investment in Alaska's child care system. Under current funding levels, over 148 child care programs have already closed which has reduced access for 100s of families across the state. What this appropriation would do is:

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Support Small Child Care Businesses (\$15.5 million)- 20% of Alaska's child care programs have closed in the last four years, impacting economic activity by approximately \$180 million.

Develop the Child Care Workforce (\$8 million)- The average child care worker makes \$29,500 a year. The average wage is less than gas station attendants and includes few workplace benefits.

Support Families Seeking Child Care (\$7 million)- 515 of Alaskan families are not participating in the workforce to the extent they would like due to the lack of child care. On average, Alaska's families pay 15%-35% of their income for child care.

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Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Josephson

Agency: Health
Appropriation: Public Assistance
Allocation: Child Care Benefits

Transaction Details

Title: Funding for Child Care Assistance Program Recipients in Median Income Range of 85%-105%
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	203.8
Travel:	0.0
Services:	28.0
Commodities:	8.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	5,858.4
Miscellaneous:	0.0
	<hr/> 6,098.2

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1002 Fed Rcpts	228.1
1003 GF/Match	228.1
1004 Gen Fund	5,642.0

Explanation

HB 89 adjusts the maximum median income to receive child care benefits from 85% to 105%. The fiscal note produced by DOH on that portion of the bill equals the appropriation

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request in this amendment. There is no guarantee that any bill passes or does not pass, so this request is to provide funding for families needing child care who fall between 85% and 105% median income.

Whether or not HB 89 passes, this amendment would provide funding for the families within this income range to benefit from child care assistance.

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Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Cronk

Agency: Health
Appropriation: Senior and Disabilities Svcs
Allocation: Senior/Disabilities Svcs Admin

Transaction Details

Title: Add Intent

Wordage Type: Intent
Linkage: Agency - Health

Wordage

It is the intent of the legislature that the department raise the \$18,500 per project cap for environmental modifications to \$40,000 per project, exclusive of shipping costs to remote communities, and extend the project timeline limit from 90 days to 270 days better reflect the true cost and time challenges of providing Environmental Modifications Services (E-Mods Program) in remote, rural areas of Alaska.

Explanation

The legislature is expressing it's intent for the department to seek and secure approval from CMS to update its Environmental Modification Services Conditions of Participation and related state regulations of the Medicaid waiver environmental modifications program to reflect the actual costs and time constraints of projects. Any future E-Mod Program funding will still be subject to appropriation.

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Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Cronk

Agency: Judiciary
Appropriation: Judicial Council
Allocation: Judicial Council

Transaction Details

Title: Judicial Council Intent Language
Wordage Type: Intent
Linkage: Appropriation - Judicial Council

Wordage

It is the intent of the legislature that the Judicial Council may not expend any funds whatsoever to advocate either for or against any judge that is up for a retention vote.

Explanation

If a judge has had ethical or legal lapses that are of a magnitude for the public to vote not to retain, that should be the role of the Commission on Judicial Conduct.

If a judge is gathering an irate constituency over a ruling or over activities that do not rise to the level of an ethical violation, then the entire process simply becomes a campaign, and State funds should not be spent on any type of campaign. If the Bar Association, the ACLU, the Chamber of Commerce or any other group of citizens wish to engage in this campaign, that is appropriate, but it is not appropriate for the Government to weigh in.

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Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Tomaszewski

Agency: Labor & Workforce Dev
Appropriation: Vocational Rehabilitation
Allocation: Special Projects

Transaction Details

Title: Reappropriate Unobligated and Unexpended Balance of the Assistive Technology Loan Guarantee Fund
Section: Language
Type: Lang

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	0.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)**Explanation**

To transfer funds so that they may be more efficiently used in their stated purpose.

AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE HOUSE

TO: CSHB 268(FIN), Draft Version "D"

1 Page 78, following line 16:

2 Insert a new subsection to read:

3 "(e) The unexpended and unobligated balance of the assistive technology loan
4 guarantee fund (AS 23.15.125) on June 30, 2024, estimated to be \$446,802, is appropriated to
5 the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, vocational rehabilitation, special
6 projects allocation, for improving access to assistive technology for the fiscal year ending
7 June 30, 2025."

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9 Page 96, line 20:

10 Delete "CONTINGENCY"

11 Insert "CONTINGENCIES"

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13 Page 97, following line 1:

14 Insert a new subsection to read:

15 "(c) The appropriation made in sec. 32(e) of this Act is contingent on passage by the
16 Thirty-Third Alaska State Legislature and enactment into law of a version of House Bill 219
17 or a similar bill that repeals the assistive technology loan guarantee fund (AS 23.15.125)."

2024 Session Operating Budget Amendment

Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Josephson

Agency: Law
Appropriation: Criminal Division
Allocation: Criminal Appeals/Special Lit

Transaction Details

Title: Reduce Funding and Positions for Investigative Grand Jury Proceedings
Section: Section 1
Type: Dec

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	-211.4
Travel:	-7.3
Services:	-49.5
Commodities:	-10.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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	-278.2

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	-2
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	-278.2
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Explanation

Retain funding for one Attorney 4 position, eliminating Paralegal and Law Assistant positions added to assist with Investigative Grand Jury proceedings.

2024 Session Operating Budget Amendment

Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Josephson

Agency: Law
Appropriation: Civil Division
Allocation: Dep. Attny General's Office

Transaction Details

Title: Delete Increase for Statehood Defense (FY25-FY27)
Section: Section 1
Type: Dec

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	-1,500.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
	<hr/> -1,500.0

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	-1,500.0
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Explanation

The Governor sought for a temporary increment of \$2,018,000 to increase funding for Statehood Defense each year between FY25 -FY27. This appropriation would be used to challenge federal environmental decisions by the Environmental Protection Agency and other federal agencies. The department has claimed that cases taken on under the umbrella of statehood defense are "not controversial," but this is factually inaccurate.

2024 Session Operating Budget Amendment

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The House Finance Department of Law subcommittee decremented \$518,000 from the Governor's request, and this amendment seeks to eliminate the rest of the appropriation.

2024 Session Operating Budget Amendment

Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Galvin

Agency: Military & Veterans' Affairs
Appropriation: Military and Veterans' Affairs
Allocation: Veterans' Services

Transaction Details

Title: Fully Fund Alaska's 18 Veteran Service Officers' Salaries
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	178.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	0.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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	178.0

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	178.0
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Explanation

2024 Session Operating Budget Amendment

Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Hannan

Agency: Natural Resources
Appropriation: Fire, Land & Water Resources
Allocation: Mining, Land & Water

Transaction Details

Title: Remove Legal Services Funding For Advancing State's Rights in Navigability and Revised Statute 2477
Section: Section 1
Type: Dec

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	-365.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
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	-365.0

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1005 GF/Prgm	-365.0
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Explanation

These funds were designated for legal services for DNR's Public Access Assertion & Defense Section. The Department of Law describes its Statehood Defense work as supporting "continued statehood defense efforts across multiple agencies," with issues including "ongoing support for navigability matters within natural resources."

2024 Session Operating Budget Amendment

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Since the Dept. of Law stands ready and willing to use its millions of dollars in Statehood Defense funding to assist other agencies, DNR's Public Access Assertion & Defense Section is advised to take advantage of the Dept. of Law for its legal services needs.

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Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Galvin

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Agency: Natural Resources
Appropriation: Fire, Land & Water Resources
Allocation: Fire Suppression Activity

**CONCEPTUAL AMENDMENT
 1 ORTIZ
 REDUCE TO \$25.1 MILLION**

Transaction Details

Title: Fully Fund Annual Fire Suppression Activity
Section: Section 1
Type: Inc

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	35,100.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	0.0
	<u>35,100.0</u>

Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	0
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	35,100.0
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Explanation

This \$35.1 million increment would bring Fire Suppression Activity spending up to the FY14-23 actual UGF spending average of \$49.3 million.