Fiscal Note

State of Alaska Bill Version: SB 41 2025 Legislative Session Fiscal Note Number: () Publish Date: Identifier: SB041-EED-SSA-1-31-25 Department: Department of Education and Early Development Title: PUBLIC SCHOOLS: MENTAL HEALTH Appropriation: Education Support and Admin Services **EDUCATION** Student and School Achievement Allocation: Sponsor: **GRAY-JACKSON** OMB Component Number: 2796 Requester: (S) Education **Expenditures/Revenues** Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars) Included in FY2026 Governor's FY2026 Appropriation **Out-Year Cost Estimates** Requested Request **OPERATING EXPENDITURES** FY 2027 FY 2026 **FY 2026 FY 2028** FY 2029 **FY 2030** FY 2031 Personal Services 120.0 Travel Services 36.0 Commodities Capital Outlay **Grants & Benefits** 60.0 Miscellaneous 0.0 216.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 **Total Operating Fund Source (Operating Only)** 1004 Gen Fund (UGF) 216.0 Total 216.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 **Positions** Full-time Part-time Temporary Change in Revenues None Total 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2025) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required) Estimated CAPITAL (FY2026) 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 Yes If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 07/01/27 Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments: Not applicable, initial version.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

STATE OF ALASKA 2025 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. SB041

Analysis

This bill amends existing health education law, AS 14.30.360, health education curriculum; physical activity guidelines, by specifically adding mental health education to the statute. This bill allows for students to receive on-going education on mental health by:

- 1) explicitly adding mental health and physical health to the list of health topics, and encouraging school districts to include mental health in their kindergarten through 12th grade health education programs, and
- 2) requiring the State Board of Education and Early Development to provide school districts with health education guidelines for instruction in mental health that are developed in consultation with the Department of Health, the Department of Family and Community Services, and representatives of national and state health organizations. The mental health guidelines are to be developed within two years of the effective date.

This bill also instructs the department's report to the legislature to include a copy of the developed guidelines and the process used to develop them.

The fiscal note includes the following one-time expenses:

- 1) \$120.0 for 30 committee members to travel twice a year for in-person convenings (\$2.0 per participant);
- 2) \$36.0 for services including \$30.0 to hire a facilitator to oversee implementation and professional development for educators and \$6.0 for legal fees to implement the necessary regulation changes; and

3) \$60.0 for committee member stipends (\$2.0 per participant).

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