

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Interim – May-December:
1292 Sadler Way Rm. 323
Fairbanks, AK 99701
907-452-1088



Session – January-April:
State Capitol Rm 500
Juneau, AK 99801
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Sponsor Statement for HB 139

Our current fiscal situation demands we as legislators act in a responsible way to reduce our reliance on Unrestricted General Funds (UGF) in our operating budget. HB 139 aims to accomplish this by directing that the Office of the Governor rent out the governor's mansion on a short-term basis.

The Governor's mansion currently operates year-round with an FY 2026 budget of approximately \$805,000 which is funded through Unrestricted General Funds. Allowing the facility to be rented out on a short-term basis enables the governor's house to rely on program receipts from revenue gained and reduce the reliance on UGF.

During this time of fiscal uncertainty, it is imperative amongst us to find innovative ideas that aim to maximize how we use our state facilities, especially state owned and operated residences in a way to reduce overall expenses.