

Fiscal Note

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Identifier: HB012-EED-CN-2-20-25
Title: FREE BREAKFAST & LUNCH IN PUBLIC
SCHOOLS
Sponsor: DIBERT
Requester: (H) Education Committee

Department: Department of Education and Early Development
Appropriation: Education Support and Admin Services
Allocation: Child Nutrition
OMB Component Number: 1955

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2026 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2026 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2026	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031
Personal Services	95.2		95.2	95.2	95.2	95.2	95.2
Travel	4.0		4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Services	43.2		37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2
Commodities	5.0						
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits	28,578.0		28,578.0	28,578.0	28,578.0	28,578.0	28,578.0
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	28,725.4	0.0	28,714.4	28,714.4	28,714.4	28,714.4	28,714.4

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1002 Fed Rcpts (Fed)	104.5		93.5	93.5	93.5	93.5	93.5
1003 GF/Match (UGF)	42.9		42.9	42.9	42.9	42.9	42.9
1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	28,578.0		28,578.0	28,578.0	28,578.0	28,578.0	28,578.0
Total	28,725.4	0.0	28,714.4	28,714.4	28,714.4	28,714.4	28,714.4

Positions

Full-time	1.0		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 06/30/26

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

The bill creates section 14.17.495 which requires the Department to provide free breakfast and lunch in public schools subject to appropriation. This establishes “universal free” meals in all public schools that choose to participate in Alaska and serves all children, regardless of income or demonstrable need.

The bill requires the Department to maximize its receipt of federal assistance, primarily through the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP). The state would need to provide \$28,578.0 in additional general funds to public school districts based upon School Year 2022-2023 financial data of food service program deficits. This does not reflect increased need for any additional meals served for students not currently participating in the programs.

The bill adds an Education Associate I for claiming and expected additional sponsor training and support for new schools/sponsors and increased activity at existing schools.

The fiscal impact in the first year of implementation is \$28,725.4. This includes an Education Associate I (\$95.2 Range 13), chargeback (\$17.6), grantee monitoring contract (\$19.6), travel support to support districts and provide training (\$4.0), one-time expense for the development of regulations (\$6.0), and one-time expense for materials and supplies (\$5.0)

The fiscal impact of subsequent years is \$28,714.4.