

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2015 Legislative Session

Bill Version: HB 39  
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Identifier: HB039-DOA-DRB-01-21-15  
Title: PUBL EMPL HEALTH INS; WELLNESS  
COMMITTEE  
Sponsor: SEATON  
Requester: House Health and Social Services

Department: Department of Administration  
Appropriation: Centralized Administrative Services  
Allocation: Retirement and Benefits  
OMB Component Number: 64

## Expenditures/Revenues

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

|                               | FY2016                  | Included in               | Out-Year Cost Estimates |                |                |                |                |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
|                               | Appropriation Requested | Governor's FY2016 Request | FY 2017                 | FY 2018        | FY 2019        | FY 2020        | FY 2021        |
| <b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b> | <b>FY 2016</b>          | <b>FY 2016</b>            | <b>FY 2017</b>          | <b>FY 2018</b> | <b>FY 2019</b> | <b>FY 2020</b> | <b>FY 2021</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>     | <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> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> |

## Positions

|           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Full-time |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Part-time |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Temporary |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| <b>Change in Revenues</b> |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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**Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2015) cost:** 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*  
*(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)*

**Estimated CAPITAL (FY2016) cost:** 0.0 *(separate capital appropriation required)*  
*(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:

Not applicable, initial version.

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| Approved By: Sheldon Fisher, Commissioner           | Date: 01/23/15            |
| Agency: Department of Administration                |                           |

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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**Analysis**

HB 39 establishes an advisory committee on wellness in the Department of Administration and requires the Department to focus on wellness in an effort to limit the annual increase in health care costs for State of Alaska Employees/Dependents covered under AlaskaCare, Participating Political Subdivision Employees/Dependents, and AlaskaCare Retirees/Dependents to less than 2%.

The wellness committee would consist of at least seven volunteer members appointed by the Commissioner of the Department of Administration. The committee would make recommendations to the Commissioner of Administration regarding to adoption of wellness initiatives to improve the health of State of Alaska Employees/Dependents covered under AlaskaCare, Participating Political Subdivision Employees/Dependents, and AlaskaCare Retirees/Dependents.

HB 39 also requires, to the extent legally and reasonably practicable, the Department of Administration shall work to hold the escalation of health care cost growth to less than 2% for health insurance plans administered or purchased by the Department.

The costs associated with the creation of the committee and coordinating committee meetings would be minimal and absorbed in the cost of normal business for the Department. The costs of specific initiatives recommended by the advisory committee on wellness, some of which could be substantial, cannot be estimated at this time. Therefore, the Department submits a zero fiscal note.