Fiscal Note State of Alaska Bill Version: **SB 64** 2017 Legislative Session Fiscal Note Number: () Publish Date: Identifier: SB064-DEC-SPAR-2-24-17 Department: Department of Environmental Conservation Title: UNIFORM ENVIROMENTAL COVENANTS ACT Appropriation: Spill Prevention and Response MICCICHE Spill Prevention and Response Sponsor: Allocation: Requester: (S) Community and Regional Affairs OMB Component Number: 3094 **Expenditures/Revenues** Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars) Included in FY2018 Governor's FY2018 Appropriation **Out-Year Cost Estimates** Requested Request **OPERATING EXPENDITURES** FY 2018 FY 2018 FY 2019 **FY 2020** FY 2021 FY 2022 FY 2023 Personal Services Travel Services Commodities Capital Outlay **Grants & Benefits** Miscellaneous 0.0 **Total Operating** 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 Fund Source (Operating Only) None **Total** 0.0 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 (FY2017) cost:** (separate supplemental appropriation required) (discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section) Estimated CAPITAL (FY2018) 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? Yes If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 06/30/18 Why this fiscal note differs from previous version: Not applicable, initial version.

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The proposed legislation establishes the ability to create environmental covenants for property with contamination remaining above cleanup levels. A covenant would restrict some activities from occurring on the property to avoid releasing the contamination but allow other uses to occur. It allows for transparency in real estate transactions and assurance to sellers that remaining contamination will be effectively managed. The Division currently maintains the contaminated sites database which contains deed notices. Environmental covenants will replace deed notices since they are sometimes lost as ownership turns over. The Division will modify this database to track environmental covenants with existing personnel resources. The database already has a public access webpage so there is no additional cost for adding a searchable element for environmental covenants. Staff already spend time creating and maintaining deed notices, and this effort will be replaced by similar effort to create and maintain environmental covenants. Increased personnel costs are not expected. Therefore, the department submits a zero fiscal note.

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