

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2017 Legislative Session

Bill Version: HB 54  
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Identifier: HB054SS-LAW-CRIM-03-31-17  
Title: TERMINALLY ILL: ENDING LIFE OPTION  
Sponsor: DRUMMOND  
Requester: House Health & Social Services

Department: Department of Law  
Appropriation: Criminal Division  
Allocation: Criminal Justice Litigation  
OMB Component Number: 2202

## Expenditures/Revenues

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

	FY2018	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2018 Request	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2021</b>	<b>FY 2022</b>	<b>FY 2023</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							

## Change in Revenues

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>

**Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2017) cost:** 0.0 *(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? No  
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

## Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

This fiscal note reflects the changes made in the sponsor substitute.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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**Analysis**

This legislation allows a person to voluntarily end their life if they are suffering from a terminal disease and have been determined by a court, physician, psychiatrist or psychologist to be capable of making that decision. It also allows an attending physician to prescribe medication which will enable the person to end their life and establishes a protocol that the attending physician must follow before doing so.

If a person decides to end their life, the legislation requires them to make both an oral and written request to the attending physician. The oral request must be repeated to the attending physician more than 15 days after the initial oral request. A person may rescind their request at any time.

The legislation creates a defense to murder in the first degree, murder in the second degree, and manslaughter if the person is performing an act permitted by the legislation. It also establishes a new crime of abuse of life termination process if a person intends to cause another person's death and falsely makes, completes, or alters a request for medication or destroys a rescission of a request for medication. A person may also be guilty of this crime if they exert undue influence on another person to request medication for the purpose of ending that person's life. Abuse of life termination process is a class A felony.

The Department of Law does not anticipate a fiscal impact.