

# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

## LEGISLATIVE BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

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### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Members of the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee

**FROM:** Kris Curtis *KC*  
Legislative Auditor

**DATE:** May 15, 2019

**RE:** Legislative Audit SAN Procurement

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This purpose of this memo is to request the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee consider and approve Legislative Audit's procurement of a storage area network (SAN) in an amount not to exceed \$45,000. The equipment will replace the primary network storage for our division which is past its productive life. We purchased a SAN for approximately \$34,000 in April 2019, but it is not functioning correctly. We are working with the company to get the problems corrected; however, there is a chance that the problems will not be fixed and we will need to return it for a refund and purchase a replacement. The next lowest bid was \$42,000 back in March, which is over my procurement authority of \$35,000.

I am requesting approval for \$45,000 to ensure I do not have to come back to the Committee for approval at a later date. We will ensure we obtain the lowest price, which we expect to be around \$40,000. Additionally, this procurement may not be needed in the event the problems with the SAN that we have already purchased can be corrected.

There is a sufficient balance within Legislative Audit's FY 19 budget allocation to cover the cost.