

Fiscal Note

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Title: EXTENDING COVID 19 DISASTER EMERGENCY
Sponsor: RLS BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR
Requester: Governor

Department: Department of Commerce, Community and
Economic Development
Appropriation: Insurance Operations
Allocation: Insurance Operations
OMB Component Number: 354

Expenditures/Revenues

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

	FY2021 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2021 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2021	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	0.0	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 (FY2020) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2021) 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? 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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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/comments:

Not applicable, initial version

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This bill extends the 30-day declaration of a public health disaster emergency that Governor Dunleavy issued on March 11, 2020 to March 12, 2021, providing:

- Flexibility to certain statutes that will require detailed business and professional licensing requirements;
- Extending deadlines for certain filings;
- Adding standing orders for the Chief Medical Officer; and
- Extending the authority of the director of the Division of Insurance (DOI) when dealing with a disaster, so that the sunset of any order issued by the director mirrors that of the governor's proclamation.

The bill amends AS 21.06.080(d) to allow the Division of Insurance Director's authority (under Title 21) during a catastrophe to be valid for six months or one year after the governor or the President of the United States has issued a declaration of disaster. The authority in AS 21.06.080 extends to the regulation of insurers during the catastrophe. The director may license out-of-state adjusters based on their resident state license, provide that no insurance policy be cancelled during the catastrophe, waive late fees, waive cost-sharing reductions, etc. The current statute only allows for this up to six months. The amended section will extend this to one-year after a state or federal disaster has been declared.

The Division of Insurance anticipates no fiscal impact from this legislation. The division will assume the work load associated with this bill with existing staff.