# Fiscal Note

#### State of Alaska Bill Version: HB 153 2021 Legislative Session Fiscal Note Number: () Publish Date: Identifier: HB153-DHSS-FCSN-4-21-2021 Department: Department of Health and Social Services Title: CHILD IN NEED OF AID; NOTICE OF Appropriation: Children's Services **PLACEMENT** Foster Care Special Need Allocation: Sponsor: **CRONK** OMB Component Number: 2238 Requester: (H) HSS **Expenditures/Revenues** Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars) Included in FY2022 Governor's FY2022 Appropriation **Out-Year Cost Estimates** Requested Request **OPERATING EXPENDITURES** FY 2022 **FY 2022 FY 2023** FY 2024 **FY 2025 FY 2026 FY 2027** Personal Services Travel Services Commodities Capital Outlay **Grants & Benefits** Miscellaneous 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 **Total Operating 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 (FY2021) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required) Estimated CAPITAL (FY2022) 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? Yes If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 07/01/22 Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments: Not applicable, initial version.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**

HB153 adds a new section to AS 47.10 requiring the department to exercise due diligence to identify, locate and notify noncustodial parents and adult family members when a child is removed from a child's home and placed in out-of-home care, within 30 days of the removal of the child. If circumstances prevent the department from completing this due diligence search in 30 days, the department shall complete the search as soon as possible. The section also requires the assigned Office of Children's Services supervisor to verify in writing the due diligence to locate the family members in a timely manner.

Federal law 42 U.S.C. 671 (a)(29) currently states: within 30 days after the removal of a child from the custody of the parent or parents of the child, the State shall exercise due diligence to identify and provide notice to the following relatives: all adult grandparents, all parents of a sibling of the child, where such parent has legal custody of such sibling, and other adult relatives of the child (including any other adult relatives suggested by the parents), subject to exceptions due to family or domestic violence.

AS 47.10.990 (1) defines an "adult family member" as a person who is 18 years of age or older and who is related to the child as the child's grandparent, aunt, uncle, or sibling; the child's sibling's legal guardian or parent; or in the case of an Indian child, an extended family member as defined in 25 U.S.C. 1903.

The Department currently finds and notifies the adult family members as defined in AS 47.10.990 and as required by Federal law. In addition, the requirement to have a supervisor certify due diligence of the relative search is in statute in AS 47.10.080 (s). This legislation would not make substantial changes to policy and practice, therefore, there is a zero fiscal note.

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