Fiscal Note

State of Alaska Bill Version: SB 160 2022 Legislative Session Fiscal Note Number: () Publish Date: Identifier: SB160-DCCED-AFA-03-18-22 Department: Special Appropriations Title: FLOOD INSURANCE Appropriation: New Legislation **STEDMAN** Sponsor: Allocation: **New Legislation** Requester: (S) LABOR & COMMERCE OMB Component Number: 3122 Expenditures/Revenues Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars) Included in FY2023 Governor's FY2023 **Out-Year Cost Estimates** Appropriation Requested Request FY 2026 FY 2027 **OPERATING EXPENDITURES** FY 2023 FY 2024 FY 2025 FY 2028 **FY 2023** Personal Services Travel Services Commodities Capital Outlay **Grants & Benefits** 1.000.0 1.000.0 1.000.0 1,000.0 1.000.0 1,000.0 Miscellaneous **Total Operating** 1,000.0 0.0 1,000.0 1.000.0 1.000.0 1.000.0 1,000.0 **Fund Source (Operating Only)** 1252 DGF Temp (DGF) 1,000.0 1,000.0 1,000.0 1,000.0 1,000.0 1,000.0 1,000.0 0.0 1,000.0 1,000.0 1,000.0 1,000.0 1,000.0 Total **Positions** Full-time Part-time Temporary Change in Revenues 1252 DGF Temp (DGF) 132,000.0 91,000.0 91,000.0 91,000.0 91,000.0 91,000.0 Total 132,000.0 0.0 91,000.0 91,000.0 91,000.0 91,000.0 91,000.0 Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2022) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required) Estimated CAPITAL (FY2023) cost: 0.0 (separate capital appropriation required) Does the bill create or modify a new fund or account? Yes (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 Yes If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 07/01/22 Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments: Not applicable, initial version.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

SB 160 establishes a flood authority in the state as a "nonprofit incorporated legal entity". It also provides a tax credit to qualified insurers and establishes a flood insurance fund in the general fund. Revenue collected must be separately accounted for and deposited into the fund. Investment earnings shall be retained in the flood insurance fund.

Funding for the Alaska Flood Authority's (AFA) operations will be implemented via a grant administered by the Division of Insurance but located in a separate component within the Insurance Results Delivery Unit. The AFA is anticipated to be structured similar to the Alaska Comprehensive Health Insurance Association established in AS 21.55.010. The grant will fund limited staffing at AFA, as well as contracts for administrative, accounting, and actuarial services.

This legislation also implements a tax credit for property insurance providers that fully cancels premium taxes that would otherwise be remitted to the state. The revenue decrease as a result of that change is shown in the Insurance Operations fiscal note.

The legislation allows the flood authority to implement dues and an assessment to fund the flood authority and losses of the insurance program. That assessment is estimated at six percent of the total direct premiums written for the prior fiscal year starting in FY2024. The existing premium tax receipts are expected to capitalize the fund in FY2023.

Payments for claims under the flood insurance program will require annual appropriation. Suggested language is included below.

The amount necessary to pay claims under the flood insurance program established in AS 21.60.100-21.60.300 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, is appropriated to the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, division of insurance, Alaska Flood Authority, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.

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