

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
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Identifier: LL0708-2-DOH-HCS-12-01-2022
Title: ADULT HOME CARE; MED ASSISTANCE
Sponsor: RLS BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR
Requester: Governor

Department: Department of Health
Appropriation: Health Care Services
Allocation: Residential Licensing
OMB Component Number: 245

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2024 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2024 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2024	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Personal Services	105.0		105.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	210.0
Travel	10.0		10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	20.0
Services	14.0		14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	28.0
Commodities	4.0		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	5.0
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	133.0	0.0	130.0	130.0	130.0	130.0	263.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1002 Fed Rcpts (Fed)	66.5		65.0	65.0	65.0	65.0	131.5
1003 GF/Match (UGF)	66.5		65.0	65.0	65.0	65.0	131.5
Total	133.0	0.0	130.0	130.0	130.0	130.0	263.0

Positions

Full-time	1.0						2.0
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2023) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2024) 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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 07/01/24

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 establishes a new home and community-based waiver service (adult foster care) and a new residential setting (adult foster care home) in which that service is provided. The bill requires the state to develop policies in support of individuals who were in child foster care and eligible for home and community-based services by providing support for these individuals after they turn 18 through adult foster care, to include payment for the cost of care, and to allow the individual to receive other supportive services. The bill requires the state to develop a licensure process for adult foster care homes for individuals who are eligible to receive home and community-based waiver services, and to streamline the licensure process for individuals who have operated a child foster care home for these individuals upon their reaching adulthood.

The Office of Children's Services (OCS) licenses child foster care homes. To receive Medicaid payment for Family Habilitation, the provider must be licensed by OCS for child family habilitation or the Division of Health Care Services Residential Licensing section for adult family habilitation. To add a new license type called Adult Foster Care to AS 47.32, it may mean there will be more homes to license and oversee for the Residential Licensing unit of the Division of Health Care Services. Regulations currently do not exist for this license type and work will be required prior to the service being offered.

Financial Breakdown

The Division of Health Care Services will need one Community Care Licensing Specialist 1 to license approximately 40 new providers in the first two years. Each Community Care Licensing Specialist has an average case load of 60-70 providers. As the number of providers increases over time a second Community Care Licensing Specialist 1 will be needed to handle the additional provider licensing and relicensing in year six. Licensing regulations will need to be revised.

One full-time Community Care Licensing Specialist 1 (including benefits): Range 16, Anchorage: \$105.0 in FY2024 and beginning in FY2029 and beyond two Community Care Licensing Specialists will be needed at a cost of \$210.0 annually. Travel: \$10.0 annually for each position to license and recertify providers. Years one through five \$10.0 annually and year six \$20.0 annually.

Services: Office space, phone, reimbursable service agreements for position support: \$10.0 annually for each position. Years one through five \$14.0 annually and year six \$28.0 annually.

Commodities: Office Supplies \$1.0 annually for each position. Years one through five \$1.0 annually and year six \$2.0 annually.

One-Time Commodities Cost: Computer, software, and office equipment: \$3.0 in the first year and \$3.0 in year six with the addition of one more position.