

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2024 Legislative Session

Bill Version: HB 198  
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Identifier: HB198-DOH-PAFS-04-13-24  
Title: FOOD STAMP PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY  
Sponsor: GRAY  
Requester: (H) HSS

Department: Department of Health  
Appropriation: Public Assistance  
Allocation: Public Assistance Field Services  
OMB Component Number: 236

**Expenditures/Revenues**

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

	FY2025	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2025 Request	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>FY 2025</b>	<b>FY 2025</b>	<b>FY 2025</b>	<b>FY 2026</b>	<b>FY 2027</b>	<b>FY 2028</b>	<b>FY 2029</b>	<b>FY 2030</b>
Personal Services								
Travel								
Services								
Commodities								
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

**Fund Source (Operating Only)**

None								
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

**Positions**

Full-time								
Part-time								
Temporary								

**Change in Revenues**

None								
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

**Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2024) cost:** 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

**Estimated CAPITAL (FY2025) 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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? **01/01/26**

**Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:**

N/A; Initial fiscal note

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Agency: <u>Department of Health</u>	

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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**Analysis**

This bill requires the Division of Public Assistance provide the longest certification period allowed by federal regulation. Currently, most households have a 12 or 24-month SNAP certification period with an interim report due at the midpoint of their certification period. The division is working toward participation in a Food and Nutrition Service demonstration project called the Elderly Simplified Application Project (ESAP), which allows a 36-month SNAP certification period for households with only elderly and/or disabled members with no earned income. These households are currently certified for 24 months. The ESAP also waives the recertification interview and the interim report requirement. The division anticipates the timeline for implementation of this five-year demonstration project is Q2 FY25. This timeline may be impacted by delays due to system changes or Federal approval.