

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2024 Legislative Session

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| Bill Version: | HB 309 |
| Fiscal Note Number: | 1 |
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Identifier: HB309-DCCED-CBPL-03-15-24
 Title: DELEGATION OF ROUTINE OPTOMETRY SERVICES
 Sponsor: RUFFRIDGE
 Requester: (H) HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Department: Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development
 Appropriation: Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing
 Allocation: Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing
 OMB Component Number: 2360

Expenditures/Revenues

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

| | FY2025 | Included in | Out-Year Cost Estimates | | | | | |
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| | Appropriation Requested | Governor's FY2025 Request | FY 2025 | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | FY 2028 | FY 2029 | FY 2030 |
| OPERATING EXPENDITURES | FY 2025 | FY 2025 | FY 2025 | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | FY 2028 | FY 2029 | FY 2030 |
| 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 | 0.0 |

Fund Source (Operating Only)

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| None | | | | | | | | |
| Total | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

Positions

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| Full-time | | | | | | | | |
| Part-time | | | | | | | | |
| Temporary | | | | | | | | |

Change in Revenues

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| None | | | | | | | | |
| Total | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 06/30/25

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Not applicable, initial version.

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| Division: | Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing | Date: | 03/15/2024 |
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| Agency: | Commerce, Community, and Economic Development | | |

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

HB 309 would require the Alaska Board of Examiners in Optometry (“board”) to adopt regulations authorizing unlicensed agents of optometrists to perform routine services of optometry delegated by an optometrist. The legislation would prohibit an optometrist from delegating duties related to pain management and opioid use and addiction. Regulations would define the phrase “routine services of optometry.”

If the bill passes, the division will absorb the projected legal and printing costs for regulation change within the division's existing authority.

Professional licensing programs within the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing are funded by Receipt Supported Services – fund source 1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF). Licensing fees for each occupation are set per AS 08.01.065. The total amount of revenue collected approximately equals each occupation’s actual regulatory costs.