

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
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NO. No. 3
BILL VI Bill Version: CS SJR 29(FIN)
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Revision Date: _____
Title: "Proposing amendments to the
Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to terms..."
Sponsor: Senator Parnell
Requestor: Senate Finance

Department Affected: Legislative Affairs Agency
BRU: Legislative Council
Legislative Operating Budget
Component: All

COMPONENT SERIAL NO:

Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03	FY 04	FY 05	FY 06
PERSONAL SERVICES	-513.0	-513.0	-513.0	-513.0	-513.0	-513.0
TRAVEL	-255.0	-255.0	-255.0	-255.0	-255.0	-255.0
CONTRACTUAL	-24.0	-24.0	-24.0	-24.0	-24.0	-24.0
SUPPLIES	-18.0	-18.0	-18.0	-18.0	-18.0	-18.0
EQUIPMENT	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-810.0	-810.0	-810.0	-810.0	-810.0	-810.0

CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0.0	0
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE	0	0	0	0	0.0	0
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	-810.00	-810.00	-810.00	-810.00	-810.00	-810.00
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER FUND SOURCE						
TOTAL	-810.00	-810.00	-810.00	-810.00	-810.00	-810.00

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	0	0	0	0	0.0	0
PART-TIME	0	0	0	0	0.0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0.0	0

Estimate of current year impact: 0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary) CS SJR 29(FIN) would amend the Constitution of the State of Alaska by limiting the regular session to 90 days. The Legislature would realize a cost savings of approximately \$27.0 per day for each day of a shorter session. 120 days minus 90 days equals 30 days. 30 x 27.0 equals a cost savings of \$810.0. If the Legislature elected to hold special sessions at a location other than Juneau, the savings under this bill would be substantially less. Renting space in another location, transporting legal staff and equipment, and acquiring a voting system would increase costs.

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The Legislature traditionally charges expenses occurring during session to session expense accounts and expenses occurring during the interim to interim expense accounts. For example: Most legislative staff payroll costs are charged to operating expense accounts during the interim. Staff salaries for most legislative staffers are charged to session during the session. The legislative payroll is higher during a legislative session. If the regular session were shortened to 90 days, the session payroll would decrease and the interim payroll would increase. There would be a decrease in the total amount of the payroll due to the higher cost of personal services during a session. The majority of the personal services costs would be a transfer of costs between allocations.

The costs below are for items not needed if the legislature shortened the number of days of a session.

	Per Day	times 30 days	Total
Personal Services	17.1	30	513.0
Travel			
Session per diem	9.5		
less Increase \$65 interim	<u>-1.0</u>		
per diem	8.5	30	255.0
Contractual	0.8	30	24.0
Telephones, chaplin fees, copier Maintenance			
Supplies	0.6	30	18.0
Lounge supplies			
Printshop paper supplies			
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	27.0		810.0

Current number of session days	120
Proposed number of session days	<u>90</u>
Difference	30