

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2002 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

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 Bill Version: CSHB 373(JUD)
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Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: Law
 Title "An Act relating to marijuana and controlled substances and forfeitures related to controlled substances." BRU Criminal Division
 Component All
 Sponsor Rep. Murkowski
 Requester House Judiciary Committee Component No. _____

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2002) cost: 0.0

Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2003 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

HB 373 defines the aggregate weight of live marijuana plants as one-sixth of the measured weight of the live plants. Under current law, the aggregate weight is defined as the weight after the marijuana is processed to its commonly used form. This requires that law enforcement process the seized plants before they can be used as evidence. The bill also allows contraband to be seized and summarily forfeited to the state, without need for additional legal action. Contraband is defined to include controlled substances and plants from which controlled substances can be derived. HB 373 further permits the destruction of contraband, other than a representative sample needed for evidence, with the existence of the original amount of contraband presumptively genuine in court.

Passage of this legislation will have no fiscal impact on the Department of Law.

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