

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2004 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: 2
 Bill Version: _____
 (H) Publish Date: _____
 Dept. Affected: Health & Social Services

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction):
 Title RELATING TO MEDICAL REVIEW
ORGANIZATIONS

RDU Health Care Services
 Component Certification and Licensing

Sponsor SAMUELS
 Requester HOUSE (HES)

Component No. 245

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
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)						
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

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

Estimate of any current year (FY2004) cost: _____

Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2004 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

HB 500 adds the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) to the definition of "review organization" under the statute that limits liability of members of review organizations and those persons who provide information to review organizations. JCAHO is an independent, not-for-profit organization governed by a board that includes physicians, nurses, and consumers. JCAHO sets the standards by which health care quality is measured. It evaluates the quality and safety of care for more than 16,000 health care organizations nationwide. To maintain and earn accreditation, health care organizations must have an extensive on-site review by a team of JCAHO health care professionals at least once every three years. The purpose of the review is to evaluate the health care organization's performance in areas that affect patient care.

There will be no fiscal impact on the Division of Public Health as the result of passage of HB 500.

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