

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 96(FIN)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Sponsor(s): HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's**
2 **integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 (SECTION 1 OF THIS ACT BEGINS ON PAGE 2)

	Appropriation	General	Other
	Allocations	Items	Funds Funds
1			
2			
3	services. The department must address the entire matrix of optional Medicaid services,		
4	reimbursement rates and eligibility requirements that are the basis of the Medicaid growth		
5	algorithm. This work is to utilize the results of the Medicaid Assessment and Planning		
6	analysis. The legislature requests that by January 2008 the Department be prepared to present		
7	projections of future Medicaid funding requirements under our existing statute and regulations		
8	and be prepared to present and evaluate the consequences of viable policy alternatives that		
9	could be implemented to lower growth rates and reducing projections of future costs.		
10	It is the intent of the legislature that the Department of Health and Social Services actively		
11	participate in the development and growth of Alaska's therapeutic courts.		
12	It is the intent of the legislature that the department evaluate establishing an asset test to be		
13	incorporated in Denali KidCare and Child Care Benefits programs' eligibility determinations		
14	that includes the value of assets leased and not owned by the applicant. The department		
15	should report to the legislature, no later than January 15, 2008, possible asset test structures,		
16	their projected consequences on program participants and any necessary changes to statute,		
17	regulation or Alaska's Medicaid State Plan.		
18	Alaskan Pioneer Homes	12,511,600	12,511,600
19	It is the intent of the legislature that the Department maintain regulations requiring all		
20	residents of the Pioneer Homes to apply for all appropriate benefit programs prior to a state		
21	subsidy being provided for their care from the State Payment Assistance program.		
22	It is the intent of the legislature that all pioneers' homes and veterans' homes applicants shall		
23	complete any forms to determine eligibility for supplemental program funding, such as		
24	Medicaid, Medicare, SSI, and other benefits as part of the application process. If an applicant		
25	is not able to complete the forms him/herself, or if relatives or guardians of the applicant are		
26	not able to complete the forms, Department of Health and Social Services staff may complete		
27	the forms for him/her, obtain the individuals' or designee's signature and submit for eligibility		
28	per AS 47.25.120.		
29	Alaska Pioneer Homes	64,300	
30	Management		
31	Pioneer Homes	12,447,300	
32	Behavioral Health	87,303,800	63,703,500 23,600,300
33	Alcohol Safety Action	305,400	

	Appropriation	General	Other
	Allocations	Funds	Funds
1			
2			
3	Program (ASAP)		
4	Behavioral Health Medicaid	32,156,100	
5	Services		
6	Behavioral Health Grants	16,418,900	
7	It is the intent of the legislature that the department continue developing polices and		
8	procedures surrounding the awarding of recurring grants to assure that applicants are regularly		
9	evaluated on their performance in achieving outcomes consistent with the expectations and		
10	missions of the Department related to their specific grant. The recipient's specific		
11	performance should be measured and incorporated into the decision whether to continue		
12	awarding grants. Performance measurement should be standardized, accurate, objective and		
13	fair, recognizing and compensating for differences among grant recipients including acuity of		
14	services provided, client base, geographic location and other factors necessary and appropriate		
15	to reconcile and compare grant recipient performances across the array of providers and		
16	services involved.		
17	Behavioral Health	2,473,100	
18	Administration		
19	Community Action Prevention	958,100	
20	& Intervention Grants		
21	Rural Services and Suicide	2,115,200	
22	Prevention		
23	Psychiatric Emergency	6,103,400	
24	Services		
25	Services to the Seriously	9,399,300	
26	Mentally Ill		
27	It is the intent of the legislature that the department provide the legislature, no later than		
28	January 15, 2008, a report on the progress and funding to-date for the Bring the Kids Home		
29	initiative and a five-year projected plan of development and anticipated funding requirements		
30	including in-state infrastructure needs, care levels, in-state bed counts, out-of-state bed counts,		
31	waitlists, Mental Health Trust Authority participation and expected outcomes and		
32	improvements in the lives of clients expected to be achieved.		
33	Designated Evaluation and	1,211,900	

		Appropriation	General	Other
		Allocations	Funds	Funds
		Items		
1				
2				
3	Treatment			
4	Services for Severely	9,000,200		
5	Emotionally Disturbed Youth			
6	Alaska Psychiatric Institute	7,162,200		
7	Children's Services		11,548,600	180,000
8	Children's Medicaid Services	3,830,000		
9	Children's Services	64,100		
10	Management			
11	Front Line Social Workers	148,600		
12	Foster Care Augmented Rate	500,000		
13	Foster Care Special Need	747,900		
14	Residential Child Care	1,956,300		
15	Infant Learning Program	4,481,700		
16	Grants			
17	Adult Preventative Dental		1,425,000	1,425,000
18	Medicaid Services			
19	Adult Preventative Dental	1,425,000		
20	Medicaid Services			
21	Juvenile Justice		369,400	189,200
22	McLaughlin Youth Center	348,400		
23	Fairbanks Youth Facility	94,700		
24	Bethel Youth Facility	55,700		
25	Probation Services	59,800		
26	Public Health		466,600	250,000
27	Women, Children and Family	500,000		
28	Health			

29 It is the intent of the legislature that the Department of Health and Social Services maintain
30 fiscal accountability for Alaska's Breast and Cervical Cancer screening population by
31 amending the age eligibility criteria based on the amount of federal resources appropriated on
32 an annual basis. It is incumbent upon the Department of Health and Social Services to revise
33 criteria appropriately to ensure that federal resources remain the sole source of financial

	Appropriation	General	Other
	Allocations	Funds	Funds
	Items		
3 support for this program.			
4 Certification and Licensing	118,300		
5 Community Health Grants	98,300		
6 Senior and Disabilities	13,904,400	13,156,600	747,800

7 **Services**

8 It is the intent of the legislature that the department continue improving procedures for
9 maintaining the disabilities waitlist to assure that criteria for listing are consistent, objective
10 and meaningful. The list should be accurately maintained without unnecessary action by
11 individuals on the list, identify services already being received by those on the list and be
12 utilized to promote parity in the provision of service throughout the social services system.

13 It is the intent of the legislature that the department act expeditiously in the administrative
14 processing of individuals on the waitlist so that they may begin receiving services as quickly
15 as possible utilizing the funding increment initiated in the fiscal 2007 budget.

16 It is the intent of the legislature that regulations related to the General Relief / Temporary
17 Assisted Living program be reviewed and revised as needed to minimize the length of time
18 that the state provides housing alternatives and assure the services are provided only to
19 intended beneficiaries who are actually experiencing harm, abuse or neglect. The department
20 should educate care coordinators and direct service providers about who should be referred
21 and when they are correctly referred to the program in order that referring agents correctly
22 match consumer needs with the program services intended by the department.

23 It is the intent of the legislature that the department continues the Inventory of Client and
24 Agency Planning (ICAP) process as recommended in the Ad Hoc Committee on the
25 Developmental Disability Waitlist Recommendations for Change report. It is further the
26 intent of the legislature that the Department move forward with implementation of the report
27 recommendations as appropriate and submit a progress report to the Legislature by January
28 15, 2008, which includes information regarding the number of individuals on the waiting list
29 that have had an ICAP completed as well as the Department's recommended action for those
30 recommendations contained in the Ad Hoc report with which they may disagree.

31 Senior and Disabilities	2,294,900		
32 Services Administration			
33 Protection and Community	740,300		

	Appropriation	General	Other
	Allocations	Funds	Funds
1			
2			
3	Services		
4	Senior Community Based	2,944,400	
5	Grants		
6	Community Developmental	7,924,800	
7	Disabilities Grants		
8	Departmental Support Services	1,739,000	1,659,000
9	Office of Program Review	98,400	
10	Administrative Support	393,100	
11	Services		
12	Health Planning and	80,000	
13	Infrastructure		
14	Information Technology	817,500	
15	Services		
16	HSS State Facilities Rent	350,000	
17	Boards and Commissions	1,611,500	568,900
18	AK Mental Health & Alcohol	819,400	
19	& Drug Abuse Boards		
20	Commission on Aging	130,600	
21	Governor's Council on	536,000	
22	Disabilities and Special		
23	Education		
24	Suicide Prevention Council	125,500	
25	*****	*****	
26	***** Department of Law *****		
27	*****	*****	
28	Civil Division	76,700	76,700
29	Human Services and Child	76,700	
30	Protection		
31	*****	*****	
32	***** Department of Natural Resources *****		
33	*****	*****	

		Appropriation	General	Other
		Allocations	Items	Funds
				Funds
3	Resource Development		1,794,000	1,794,000
4	Mental Health Trust Lands	1,794,000		
5	Administration			
6		*****	*****	
7		*****	Department of Revenue	*****
8		*****	*****	
9	Alaska Mental Health Trust		2,365,900	2,365,900
10	Authority			
11	Mental Health Trust	2,365,900		
12	Operations			
13		*****	*****	
14		*****	University of Alaska	*****
15		*****	*****	
16	University of Alaska		1,285,800	200,800
17	Statewide Services	300,000		
18	Anchorage Campus	945,800		
19	Fairbanks Campus	40,000		
20		*****	*****	
21		*****	Alaska Court System	*****
22		*****	*****	
23	Alaska Court System		693,100	455,300
24	Trial Courts	693,100		237,800

(SECTION 2 OF THIS ACT BEGINS ON PAGE 10)

1 * **Sec. 2.** The following sets out the funding by agency for the appropriations made in sec. 1 of
 2 this Act.

3 Funding Source	Amount
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4 **Department of Administration**

5 1037 General Fund / Mental Health	1,700,100
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6 *** Total Agency Funding ***	\$1,700,100
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7 **Department of Corrections**

8 1037 General Fund / Mental Health	6,298,700
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9 1092 Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized	210,000
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10 Receipts

11 *** Total Agency Funding ***	\$6,508,700
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12 **Department of Education and Early Development**

13 1037 General Fund / Mental Health	49,400
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14 1092 Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized	500,000
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15 Receipts

16 *** Total Agency Funding ***	\$549,400
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17 **Department of Health and Social Services**

18 1037 General Fund / Mental Health	103,984,200
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19 1092 Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized	8,622,200
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20 Receipts

21 1180 Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Treatment &	18,892,700
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22 Prevention Fund

23 *** Total Agency Funding ***	\$131,499,100
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24 **Department of Law**

25 1037 General Fund / Mental Health	76,700
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26 *** Total Agency Funding ***	\$76,700
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27 **Department of Natural Resources**

28 1092 Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized	1,794,000
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29 Receipts

30 *** Total Agency Funding ***	\$1,794,000
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31 **Department of Revenue**

1	1094	Mental Health Trust Administration	2,365,900
2	***	Total Agency Funding ***	\$2,365,900
3	University of Alaska		
4	1037	General Fund / Mental Health	200,800
5	1092	Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized	1,085,000
6		Receipts	
7	***	Total Agency Funding ***	\$1,285,800
8	Alaska Court System		
9	1037	General Fund / Mental Health	455,300
10	1092	Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized	237,800
11		Receipts	
12	***	Total Agency Funding ***	\$693,100
13	*****	Total Budget *****	\$146,472,800
14	(SECTION 3 OF THIS ACT BEGINS ON PAGE 12)		

1 * **Sec. 3.** The following sets out the statewide funding for the appropriations made in sec. 1 of
2 this Act.

3	Funding Source	Amount
4	General Funds	
5	1037 General Fund / Mental Health	112,765,200
6	***Total General Funds***	\$112,765,200
7	Federal Funds	
8	***Total Federal Funds***	\$0
9	Other Non-Duplicated Funds	
10	1092 Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized	12,449,000
11	Receipts	
12	1094 Mental Health Trust Administration	2,365,900
13	1180 Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Treatment &	18,892,700
14	Prevention Fund	
15	***Total Other Non-Duplicated Funds***	\$33,707,600
16	Duplicated Funds	
17	***Total Duplicated Funds***	\$0

18 (SECTION 4 OF THIS ACT BEGINS ON PAGE 13)

1 * **Sec. 4.** The following appropriation items are for capital projects and grants from the
 2 general fund or other funds as set out in section 5 of this Act by funding source to the
 3 agencies named for the purposes expressed and lapse under AS 37.25.020, unless otherwise
 4 noted.

	Appropriation	General	Other
	Allocations	Funds	Funds
	Items		
	*****	*****	
	***** Department of Health and Social Services *****		
	*****	*****	
10	MH Southcentral Foundation	7,000,000	7,000,000
11	Eklutna Residential		
12	Psychiatric Treatment		
13	Center - Match for Bring		
14	the Kids Home (HD 13-16)		
15	MH Cost Share Match for	1,000,000	1,000,000
16	Bring the Kids Home (HD		
17	1-40)		
18	MH Treatment and Recovery	750,000	250,000
19	Based Special Needs Housing		500,000
20	(HD 1-40)		
21	MH Home Modification and	250,000	250,000
22	Upgrades to Retain Housing		
23	(HD 1-40)		
24	MH Deferred Maintenance and	2,000,000	2,000,000
25	Americans with Disabilities		
26	Act Improvement Grants to		
27	Service Providers and for		
28	Trust Beneficiaries (HD		
29	1-40)		
30	MH Essential Program	350,000	350,000
31	Equipment (HD 1-40)		

	Appropriation	General	Other
	Allocations	Items	Funds
3	*****	*****	
4	*****	Department of Natural Resources	*****
5	*****	*****	
6	Mental Health Trust Land	350,000	350,000
7	Facilities Maintenance (HD		
8	1-40)		
9	*****	*****	
10	*****	Department of Revenue	*****
11	*****	*****	
12	Alaska Housing Finance		
13	Corporation		
14	Beneficiary and Special	1,750,000	1,750,000
15	Needs Housing (HD 1-40)		
16	Emergency Assistance Grants	200,000	200,000
17	for Mental Health Trust		
18	Beneficiaries (HD 1-40)		
19	Homeless Assistance Program	1,500,000	1,500,000
20	(HD 1-40)		
21	*****	*****	
22	*****	Department of Transportation/Public Facilities	*****
23	*****	*****	
24	Coordinated Transportation	300,000	300,000
25	and Vehicles (HD 1-40)		
26	(SECTION 5 OF THIS ACT BEGINS ON PAGE 15)		

1 * **Sec. 5.** The following sets out the funding by agency for the appropriations made in sec. 4 of
2 this Act.

3	Funding Source	Amount
4	Department of Health and Social Services	
5	1037 General Fund / Mental Health	10,600,000
6	1092 Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts	500,000
7	1139 Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Dividend	250,000
8	*** Total Agency Funding ***	\$11,350,000
9	Department of Natural Resources	
10	1092 Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts	350,000
11	*** Total Agency Funding ***	\$350,000
12	Department of Revenue	
13	1092 Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts	700,000
14	1139 Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Dividend	2,750,000
15	*** Total Agency Funding ***	\$3,450,000
16	Department of Transportation/Public Facilities	
17	1092 Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts	300,000
18	*** Total Agency Funding ***	\$300,000
19	* * * * * Total Budget * * * * *	\$15,450,000

20 (SECTION 6 OF THIS ACT BEGINS ON PAGE 16)

1 * **Sec. 6.** The following sets out the statewide funding for the appropriations made in sec. 4 of
2 this Act.

3	Funding Source	Amount
4	General Funds	
5	1037 General Fund / Mental Health	10,600,000
6	***Total General Funds***	\$10,600,000
7	Federal Funds	
8	***Total Federal Funds***	\$0
9	Other Non-Duplicated Funds	
10	1092 Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized	1,850,000
11	Receipts	
12	1139 Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Dividend	3,000,000
13	***Total Other Non-Duplicated Funds***	\$4,850,000
14	Duplicated Funds	
15	***Total Duplicated Funds***	\$0

16 (SECTION 7 OF THIS ACT BEGINS ON PAGE 17)

1 * **Sec. 7.** PURPOSE. In accordance with AS 37.14.003 and 37.14.005, the appropriations
2 made by this Act are for the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program.

3 * **Sec. 8.** NONGENERAL FUND RECEIPTS. (a) Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority
4 authorized receipts (AS 37.14.036) or administration receipts (AS 37.14.036) that exceed the
5 amounts appropriated by this Act are appropriated conditioned upon compliance with the
6 program review provisions of AS 37.07.080(h).

7 (b) If Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority authorized receipts (AS 37.14.036) or
8 administration receipts (AS 37.14.036) fall short of the estimates appropriated in this Act, the
9 affected appropriation is reduced by the amount of the shortfall in receipts.

10 * **Sec. 9.** SALARY AND BENEFIT ADJUSTMENTS. (a) The appropriations made in sec.
11 1 of this Act include amounts for salary and benefit adjustments for public officials, officers,
12 and employees of the executive branch, Alaska Court System employees, employees of the
13 legislature, and legislators and to implement the terms for the fiscal year ending June 30,
14 2008, of the following collective bargaining agreements:

- 15 (1) Alaska Public Employees Association, for the Confidential Unit;
- 16 (2) Alaska Public Employees Association, for the Supervisory Unit;
- 17 (3) Alaska State Employees Association, for the General Government Unit;
- 18 (4) Marine Engineers Beneficial Association, representing licensed engineers
19 employed by the Alaska marine highway system;
- 20 (5) Public Employees Local 71, for the Labor, Trades and Crafts Unit;
- 21 (6) Inlandboatmen's Union of the Pacific, representing the unlicensed marine
22 unit;
- 23 (7) International Organization of Masters, Mates, and Pilots, for the Masters,
24 Mates, and Pilots Unit;
- 25 (8) Public Safety Employees Association, representing regularly
26 commissioned public safety officers;
- 27 (9) Alaska Correctional Officers Association, representing correctional
28 officers;
- 29 (10) Alaska Vocational Technical Center Teachers' Association - National
30 Education Association, representing employees of the Alaska Vocational Technical Center;
- 31 (11) Teachers' Education Association of Mt. Edgecumbe.

1 (b) The operating budget appropriations made to the University of Alaska in sec. 1 of
2 this Act include amounts for salary and benefit adjustments for the fiscal year ending June 30,
3 2008, for university employees who are not members of a collective bargaining unit and for
4 implementing the monetary terms of the collective bargaining agreements including the terms
5 of the agreement providing for the health benefit plan for university employees represented by
6 the following entities:

7 (1) Alaska Higher Education Crafts and Trades Employees;

8 (2) Alaska Community Colleges' Federation of Teachers;

9 (3) United Academics;

10 (4) United Academics-Adjuncts.

11 (c) If a collective bargaining agreement listed in (a) or (b) of this section is not ratified
12 by the membership of the respective collective bargaining unit, the appropriations made by
13 this Act that are applicable to that collective bargaining unit's agreement are reduced
14 proportionately by the amount for that collective bargaining agreement, and the corresponding
15 funding source amounts are reduced accordingly.

16 (d) Appropriations made in sec. 1 of this Act for salary and benefit adjustments as
17 described in (a) and (b) of this section are for the benefit of the state's integrated
18 comprehensive mental health program only and do not necessarily affect every group of non-
19 covered employees or every collective bargaining unit listed in (a) and (b) of this section.

20 * **Sec. 10.** This Act takes effect July 1, 2007.