

# FISCAL NOTE

**STATE OF ALASKA**  
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Identifier (file name): SB218-DOT-PD-01-28-08 Dept. Affected: DOT&PF  
 Title An Act relating to use of child safety seats and seat belts. RDU Planning  
 Component Program Development  
 Sponsor Senator Hollis French  
 Requester Senate Transportation Component Number 2762

**Expenditures/Revenues** estimated \$194,235 additional federal funding in FFY09

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

	Appropriation Required	Information						
		FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>								
Personal Services								
Travel								
Contractual								
Supplies								
Equipment								
Land & Structures								
Grants & Claims								
Miscellaneous								
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>		<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>194.2</b>	<b>194.2</b>					
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<b>CHANGE IN REVENUES ( )</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
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**FUND SOURCE**

1002 Federal Receipts		194.2	194.2					
1003 GF Match								
1004 GF								
1005 GF/Program Receipts								
1037 GF/Mental Health								
Other Interagency Receipts								
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>0.0</b>	<b>194.2</b>	<b>194.2</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: 0.0

**POSITIONS**

Full-time								
Part-time								
Temporary								

**ANALYSIS:** *(Attach a separate page if necessary)*

Federal DOT Chief Counsel has confirmed that the passage of SB218 will qualify Alaska for additional federal funds. Alaska would be eligible to receive an estimated \$194,235 in FFY09 and \$194,235 in FFY10. The exact funding amount will be based on the number of states that qualify and apply for funding.

CHILD SAFETY AND BOOSTER SEAT INCENTIVE GRANTS provide funds to States that are enforcing a law requiring any child riding in a passenger vehicle who is too large to be secured in a child safety seat to be secured in a child restraint that meets the requirement prescribed under section 3 of Anton's Law (49 USC 30127 note; 116 Stat.2772), for an appropriate child safety seat or booster seat. States become eligible for these funds when specific weight and height of children are included in statute.

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**ANALYSIS CONTINUATION**

To qualify for a grant under this program, a State child restraint law must not leave any gaps in coverage for children under 8 years old (e.g., gaps between coverage by a child safety seat and a booster seat.)

Current Alaska law requires the use of proper safety devices for children under the age of 16 as approved by the US Department of Transportation, but does not include which safety device must be used based on a child's age, height and weight.

SB 218 puts USDOT National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) recommendations in statute, clarifying for law enforcement officials what devices are required for proper child restraint.

Up to 50 percent of the grant a State receives in a fiscal year may be used to fund programs for purchasing and distributing child safety seats and restraints to low income families. The remaining amounts shall be used to carry out child safety seat and child restraint programs, including: enforcement of child restraint laws; training of child passenger safety professionals, police officers, fire and emergency medical personnel, educators, and parents concerning all aspects of the use of child safety seats and child restraints; and educating the public concerning the proper use and installation of child safety seats and child restraints.

DOT&PF would receive these federal funds through federal transportation funding via the capital budget.