

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
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Bill Version CSSB 138(L&C)
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Identifier (file name) SB138-LAW-CIV-01-27-12 Dept. Affected Law
 Title An Act relating to charges on bills of Appropriation Civil
telecommunications carriers. Allocation Commercial and Fair Business
 Sponsor Senators Wielechowski, Davis, and Egan
 Requester (S) Labor & Commerce OMB Component Number 2717

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	FY13 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY13 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
			FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services								
Travel								
Services								
Commodities								
Capital Outlay								
Grants, Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18
1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Prgm (DGF)						
1037 GF/MH (UGF)						
1178 temp code (UGF)						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS

	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18
Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

CHANGE IN REVENUES

	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY12) operating costs _____ (separate supplemental appropriation required)
 (discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY13) costs _____ (separate capital appropriation required)
 (discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version (if initial version, please note as such)

Not applicable, initial version.

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Analysis

This bill adds a section to AS 42.05 requiring telecommunications carriers to clearly identify a third party's charges to a customer's bill. It prohibits a third party from charging goods or services on the carrier's bill unless the third party provides to the carrier a description of the product or service, the amount charged, the name of the entity providing the service, and a no-cost means of contacting the entity to resolve billing disputes. The bill also adds a section to the Consumer Protection Act prohibiting a vendor from charging a customer's telephone bill, with certain exceptions including itemized billing in compliance with AS 42.05.715 for the sale of goods or services governed by an approved tariff, and for goods or services for which the carrier has received verification of the customer's authorization for the charge.

Violations of this law would be violations of the Consumer Protection Act and enforceable by the Attorney General. It is expected that enforcement activities would be absorbed within existing resources.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the Department of Law.