

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
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 Title: INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT
 Sponsor: SEATON
 Requester: (H) Health & Social Services

Department: Department of Commerce, Community and
Economic Development
 Appropriation: Corporations, Business and Professional
Licensing
 Allocation: Corporations, Business and Professional
Licensing
 OMB Component Number: 2360

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2017 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2017 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
			FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	***	***	***	***	***	***	***
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	***	***	***	***	***	***	***

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None							
Total	***	***	***	***	***	***	***

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues	***	***		***	***	***	***
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2016) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2017) cost: 0.0 *(separate capital appropriation required)*
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? Yes
 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 07/01/17

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

The HHSS Committee revives the original indeterminate note submitted by the department on January 22, 2016.

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

HB237 authorizes the State Medical Board to implement the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact (Compact), to collect fees and fingerprint background checks required to issue an expedited license under the provisions of the Compact, and to participate in the Interstate Commission for administration of the Compact.

The Interstate Commission provides oversight and administration of the Compact, creates and enforces rules governing the processes outlined in the Compact, and promotes interstate cooperation, ensuring that the Compact facilitates safe and expedient access to care and physician licensure. Each state participating in the Compact will have two representatives to the Commission.

This legislation authorizes the Department of Public Safety to obtain a national criminal history record check for physicians applying for an expedited license under the Compact.

In addition, it implements the entire membership language required for the State Medical Board to participate as a member of the Compact. This establishes the purpose of the Compact, definitions, eligibility requirements, the role and responsibility of the Interstate Commission to administer the compact.

The Compact expedites the licensing of physicians seeking to practice medicine in multiple states. The Compact provides a process for physicians to obtain licenses to practice in multiple states, as long as those states are members of the Compact.

The state of principal licensure verifies the physician's eligibility and provides credential information to the Interstate Commission. The Interstate Commission then collects applicable fees and transmits the physician's information and licensure fees to the additional states. Upon receipt in the additional states, the physician is granted a license.

Adequate data is not available to determine the fiscal impact of this legislation at this time. Further analysis is needed to determine impact on investigation costs, and licensing examination and compact costs. It is anticipated that additional staff will be needed to implement this legislation.

Professional licensing programs within the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing are funded by Receipt Supported Services, fund source 1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF). Licensing fees for each occupation are set per AS 08.01.065 so the total amount of revenue collected approximately equals the occupation's actual regulatory costs.