# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2016 Legislative Session

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| Bill Version: | CSSB 112(JUD) |
| Fiscal Note Number: | 5 |
| (S) Publish Date: | 3/30/2016 |

Identifier: SB112CS(HSS)-ACS-TRC-03-02-16
Title: ADOPTION OF CHILD IN STATE CUSTODY
Sponsor: RLS BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR
Requester: Senate Judiciary Committee

Department: Judiciary
Appropriation: Alaska Court System
Allocation: Trial Courts
OMB Component Number: 768

**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 | | | | |
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| **OPERATING EXPENDITURES** | **FY 2017** | **FY 2017** | **FY 2018** | **FY 2019** | **FY 2020** | **FY 2021** | **FY 2022** |
| 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** |

**Fund Source (Operating Only)**

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| None | | | | | | | |
| **Total** | **0.0** | **0.0** | **0.0** | **0.0** | **0.0** | **0.0** | **0.0** |

**Positions**

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| Full-time | | | | | | | |
| Part-time | | | | | | | |
| Temporary | | | | | | | |

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| **Change in Revenues** | | | | | | | |

**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? No
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

**Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:**

Initial version.

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| Agency: | Alaska Court System | | |

# FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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## Analysis

The HSS Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 112 (version N) makes changes to numerous procedures in child in need of aid (CINA) cases. When a person wishes to adopt or become a guardian for a child in state custody (i.e., a child who is the subject of a CINA case), the person would be required to file the petition for adoption or guardianship in the existing CINA case, rather than as a separate proceeding (section 8). The venue for the adoption and guardianship would be the same location as the ongoing CINA case. (Sections 2-5) The court would hold those petitions in abeyance in the CINA case until it approves adoption or legal guardianship as the permanent plan for the child. (Sections 6, 8)

In addition, in CINA cases involving an Indian child, Senate Bill 112 would allow a person to initiate an adoption or guardianship of the Indian child through a "proxy for a formal petition" brought forward in the CINA case. (Section 8) A proxy may be an oral request by any person at any court hearing, or a request conveyed to the Department of Health and Social Services by any means by the Indian child's tribe, family member, member of the tribe, or family friend.

Senate Bill 112 also amends a number of court rules (Adoption Rules and Child In Need of Aid Rules) to implement the venue and filing procedures that are changed by the preceeding sections of the bill.

The court can implement the procedural changes to CINA, adoption, and guardianship cases as described in this bill without fiscal impact, and therefore submits this zero fiscal note.