

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
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Identifier: HB355-LAW-CRIM-02-24-18
 Title: FIRE;FOREST LAND; CRIMES;FIRE PREVENTION
 Sponsor: GUTTENBERG
 Requester: House Resources

Department: Department of Law
 Appropriation: Criminal Division
 Allocation: Criminal Justice Litigation
 OMB Component Number: 2202

Expenditures/Revenues

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

	FY2019	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2019 Request	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2019	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
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)

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2018) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2019) 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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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/comments:

Not applicable, initial version.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This legislation makes a number of changes to crimes related to the burning of forested land which align the language in these offenses with the language commonly used in the criminal code. It also allows the misdemeanor offenses found in AS 41.15.040 – 41.15.130 to be prosecuted as a misdemeanor if the person acts “knowingly” or as a violation if the person acts with no culpable mental state.

The legislation also adds a new class C felony offense: criminal burning of forested land in the second degree. A person commits criminal burning of forested land in the second degree if the person knowingly sets a fire and with criminal negligence allows the fire to spread beyond the person’s control or fails to prevent the fire from spreading and the fire burns forested land or other flammable material that is located on land not owned or controlled by the person.

The Department of Law does not anticipate a fiscal impact from this legislation.