

Fiscal Note

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 Title: COMM FISHERMEN'S FUND:VESSEL OWNER CLAIMS
 Sponsor: ORTIZ
 Requester: (H) Fisheries

Department: Department of Labor and Workforce Development
 Appropriation: Workers' Compensation
 Allocation: Fishermen's Fund
 OMB Component Number: 343

Expenditures/Revenues

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

	FY2019 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2019 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
	FY 2019	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
OPERATING EXPENDITURES							
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits	18.9		18.9	18.9	18.9	18.9	18.9
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	18.9	0.0	18.9	18.9	18.9	18.9	18.9

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1032 Fish Fund (DGF)	18.9		18.9	18.9	18.9	18.9	18.9
Total	18.9	0.0	18.9	18.9	18.9	18.9	18.9

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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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

Current law, AS 23.35.145, provides that if a fisherman files a claim against both the Fishermen's Fund and the vessel owner's protection and indemnity (P&I) insurance policy, the vessel owner may be reimbursed the lower of 1) 50% of the P&I insurance policy deductible or 2) \$5,000.

This legislation will allow a vessel owner to be reimbursed the lower of 1) 100% of the P&I insurance policy deductible or 2) \$5,000.

Over the past four fiscal years, there has been an average of seven vessel owner claims approved per year, with an average reimbursement of \$2,300 per claim. Increased fund liability reflected in this fiscal note assumes an average of \$5,000 per claim, for a total liability increase estimated to be \$18,900 per fiscal year. There is sufficient revenue in the fund to cover the increased liability.