

Fiscal Note

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Identifier: HB159-EED-ACPE-1-11-20
 Title: MEDICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM
 Sponsor: KREISS-TOMKINS
 Requester: House Finance

Department: Department of Education and Early Development
 Appropriation: Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education
 Allocation: WWAMI Medical Education
 OMB Component Number: 953

Expenditures/Revenues

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

	FY2021	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2021 Request	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2021	FY 2021						
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 (Operating Only)

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

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2020) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2021) cost: 0.0 *(separate capital appropriation required)*

Does the bill create or modify a new fund or account? No
(Supplemental/Capital/New Fund - 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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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 bill changes the percentage of repayment that a WWAMI medical education program participant, who does not return to Alaska, must pay back to the state. Currently, WWAMI participants enter into a loan agreement with the State of Alaska for 50 percent of the amount paid by the state. This new bill would change the loan agreement to 100 percent of the amount paid by the state, which must be repaid (plus interest) if the WWAMI participant does not return to Alaska to perform qualifying services as a physician.

This proposed change results in a zero fiscal note because it does not change the cost to the state of participation in the WWAMI program; rather, it will result in repayment to the state of an increased amount by those WWAMI students who do not qualify for loan forgiveness.

The cumulative amount repaid by WWAMI students, inception-to-date, since the 50 percent repayment obligation began in 2000 is \$4,410,186.81, of which \$3,708,152.60 is principal and \$702,034.21 is interest.