

Fiscal Note

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Identifier: SB55-JUD-ACS-CC-3-27-20
Title: APPOINTMENTS TO COURT OF APPEALS
Sponsor: WILSON
Requester: Conference Committee

Department: Judiciary
Appropriation: Alaska Court System
Allocation: Appellate Courts
OMB Component Number: 767

Expenditures/Revenues

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

	FY2021 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2021 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
			FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services	323.5		323.5	323.5	323.5	323.5	323.5	323.5
Travel								
Services	8.0		8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0
Commodities	22.0		22.0	22.0	22.0	22.0	22.0	22.0
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
Total Operating	353.5	0.0	353.5	353.5	353.5	353.5	353.5	353.5

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	353.5		353.5	353.5	353.5	353.5	353.5	353.5
Total	353.5	0.0	353.5	353.5	353.5	353.5	353.5	353.5

Positions

Full-time	4.0		4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Part-time								
Temporary								

Change in Revenues

None								
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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:

CC: Revised for conference committee to account for funding already appropriated in the budget.

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

The Judiciary Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 55 establishes that the Alaska Court of Appeals has four judges, an increase from the current number of three judges. This is to accommodate the large criminal caseload in that court.

SB 55 means that the court system will have an additional appellate judge, and to be operational, the judge would also have two law clerks and one judicial assistant. The fiscal impact to the court system reflects these four new positions, which includes salary and benefits for those added employees. The note also includes ongoing costs for software, supplies, and subscriptions (e.g., Westlaw), each year, plus the one-time costs for furniture in year one.