Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2021 Legislative Session

Bill Version:	CSHB 45(L&C)
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Identifier: HB45-DOLWD-WC-01-22-21
Title: WORKERS' COMP. AND CONTAGIOUS DISEASES
Sponsor: JOSEPHSON
Requester: (H) L&C

Department: Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Appropriation: Workers' Compensation
Allocation: Workers' Compensation
OMB Component Number: 344

Expenditures/Revenues

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

	FY2022 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2022 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	**FY 2022**	**FY 2022**	**FY 2023**	**FY 2024**	**FY 2025**	**FY 2026**	**FY 2027**
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 (FY2021) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2022) 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? yes
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 12/31/21

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 would establish a workers' compensation presumption for certain emergency responders, front line workers, and healthcare providers when Alaska is under a disaster declaration due to an outbreak of a contagious disease, as declared by the Governor. This would limit an employer's ability to contest a claim under the limited circumstances of the disaster declaration and would ensure that front line employees receive workers' compensation insurance coverage for medical costs and lost wages as a result of contracting the illness in the workplace.

This legislation would be applicable to approximately one-third of the current workforce in Alaska, and would take effect retroactively to November 15, 2020 for some job categories defined as first responders and immediately for child care, teachers, and grocery store employees.

The division anticipates no fiscal impact from this legislation.