

Fiscal Note

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Title: NURSING: LICENSURE; MULTISTATE COMPACT

Sponsor: RLS BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

Requester: Governor

Department: Department of Public Safety

Appropriation: Statewide Support

Allocation: Criminal Justice Information Systems Program

OMB Component Number: 3200

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? 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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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 amends AS 08 relating to business and professions by adding a new chapter 08.69 to enact and enter into the Multistate Nurse Licensure Compact. The bill establishes the framework for the Alaska Board of Nursing to join the compact which would allow registered nurses and licensed practical nurses from other states to work in Alaska under their current state licensure in lieu of the current requirement to gain licensure in Alaska. Through this bill Alaska would adopt the licensure requirements under the compact which exceed those in present statute, including the requirement for a national criminal history record background check.

Under the authority of AS 12.62.160 and AS 12.62.400, the Department of Public Safety (DPS) receives and processes requests for state and national criminal history record checks for noncriminal justice licensing or employment purposes, including licensure to practice nursing. From fiscal years 2017 through 2020, DPS conducted an average of 3,117 per year criminal history record checks on prospective nurses.

Should this bill pass, licensed nurses from other states would not need to submit to a new criminal history record background check to gain licensure in Alaska, thereby reducing the number of requests submitted to DPS. Fewer criminal history background check submissions would reduce workflow in line with the reduction in revenue from the fees DPS receives for these requests. The fiscal impact of this legislation cannot be determined because it is unknown how many fewer record check requests DPS will receive and therefore cannot estimate the reduction in associated revenue. It is not anticipated that the impact will be substantial however, and a therefore zero fiscal note is being submitted.