

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
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 Title: NATUROPATHS: LICENSING; PRACTICE  
 Sponsor: PRAX  
 Requester: (H) LABOR AND COMMERCE

Department: Department of Commerce, Community and  
Economic Development  
 Appropriation: Corporations, Business and Professional  
Licensing  
 Allocation: Corporations, Business and Professional  
Licensing  
 OMB Component Number: 2360

**Expenditures/Revenues**

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

	FY2025 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2025 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
			FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>								
Personal Services	102.2							
Travel								
Services	77.5							
Commodities	30.0							
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>209.7</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

**Fund Source (Operating Only)**

1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF)	209.7							
<b>Total</b>	<b>209.7</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

**Positions**

Full-time								
Part-time								
Temporary	3.0							

**Change in Revenues**

1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF)	209.7							
<b>Total</b>	<b>209.7</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

**Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2024) cost:** 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

**Estimated CAPITAL (FY2025) 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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 07/01/25

**Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:**

Updated from SLA 2023 to SLA 2024 fiscal note template. Clarified duration of non-permanent positions in analysis.

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Agency:	Commerce, Community, and Economic Development		

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

HB 115 overhauls the licensing requirements and scope of practice for naturopaths. It modernizes standards to allow greater ability to practice if the licensee has attained relevant education and training and establishes a naturopathy advisory board.

If this bill passes the division will require one long term non-permanent (LTNP) Administrative Assistant 1 to handle fingerprint cards, and two LTNP Occupational Licensing Examiners (OLE) to re-examine all existing licensee credentials.

If the bill passes the following expenses will be incurred in FY2025 only:

Personal Services: \$102.2 for one LTNP Administrative Assistant 1 (R12) for six months and two LTNP Occupational Licensing Examiners (R14) for three months each.

Services: \$75.0 for core services charges  
\$2.5 for legal costs to amend regulations, printing, and postage

Commodities: \$30.0 for one-time set up costs (\$10.0 for each new position)

*Licensing fees for each occupation are set per AS 08.01.065. The total amount of revenue collected approximately equals each occupation’s actual regulatory costs. Professional licensing programs within the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing are funded by Receipt Supported Services – fund source 1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF).*