

# Fiscal Note

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 Title: PHYSICAL THERAPY LICENSURE COMPACT  
 Sponsor: WRIGHT  
 Requester: (H) Labor & 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)

	FY2024	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2024 Request	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>					
Personal Services			80.0	163.2	163.2	80.0	80.0
Travel							
Services			27.5	100.0	100.0	25.0	25.0
Commodities			10.0	30.0			
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>117.5</b>	<b>293.2</b>	<b>263.2</b>	<b>105.0</b>	<b>105.0</b>

**Fund Source (Operating Only)**

1004 Gen Fund (UGF)			80.3	70.3			
1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF)			117.5	212.9	192.9	105.0	105.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>117.5</b>	<b>293.2</b>	<b>263.2</b>	<b>105.0</b>	<b>105.0</b>

**Positions**

Full-time			1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Part-time							
Temporary				3.0	3.0		

**Change in Revenues**

1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF)			117.5	212.9	192.9	105.0	105.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>117.5</b>	<b>212.9</b>	<b>192.9</b>	<b>105.0</b>	<b>105.0</b>

**Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2023) cost:** 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

**Estimated CAPITAL (FY2024) 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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 07/01/24

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

Not applicable, initial version.

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Agency:	Commerce, Community, and Economic Development		

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This legislation would make Alaska a member state of the Interstate Physical Therapy Licensure Compact, which would allow Alaska physical therapists and physical therapist assistants with unencumbered licenses who have had no adverse action against their license within two years to apply for and work under compact privilege in any other member states; and would allow the same for physical therapists and assistants meeting the same requirements to work in Alaska. Alaska will have the ability to set fees for professionals from other member states requesting compact privilege. Those professionals will be required to follow all Alaska laws, and the Alaska Board of Physical Therapy & Occupational Therapy would retain full jurisdiction over these professionals regardless of whether they are practicing under an Alaska license or a compact privilege.

If this bill passes, a permanent Administrative Assistant 1 (AA1) would be required to assist with processing fingerprint cards and other administrative tasks beginning in FY2025 when the bill takes effect. Additionally, the division would require two long-term non-permanent (LTNP) Administrative Assistant 2 positions to assist with the first renewal, which occurs on June 30, 2026, and one LTNP Investigator 3 to review background checks received that include past convictions. Because the renewal occurs on the last day of FY2026, the non-permanent Administrative Assistant 2 positions would be needed for three months in FY2026 and three months in FY2027. The non-permanent Investigator 3 would be needed for six months in FY2026 and six months in FY2027.

If the bill passes the following expenses will be incurred and paid from either Receipt Supported Services, fund code 1156 (RSS 1156) or general funds, fund code 1004 (GF 1004), as noted below:

**Personal Services:**

- FY25 and beyond: \$80.0 for one full-time Administrative Assistant 1 (R12) (RSS 1156)
- FY26 (for 3 months): \$37.9 (\$18.9 x2) for two long-term non-permanent Administrative Assistant 2s (R14) (RSS 1156)
- FY26 (for 6 months): \$45.3 for one long-term non-permanent Investigator 3 (R18) (GF 1004)
- FY27 (for 3 months): \$37.9 (\$18.9 x2) for two long-term non-permanent Administrative Assistant 2s (R12) (RSS 1156)
- FY27 (for 6 months): \$45.3 for one LTNP Investigator 3 (R18) (GF 1004)

**Services:**

- FY25 only: \$2.5 for legal costs to amend regulations, printing, and postage (RSS 1156)
- FY25 and beyond: \$25.0 for core services charges for PFT Admin Assistant (RSS 1156)
- FY26 & FY27 only: \$50.0 in each year for core services charges for LTNP Admin Assistants (\$25.0 per position per year) (RSS 1156)
- FY26 & FY27 only: \$25.0 in each year for core services charges for LTNP Investigator (GF 1004)

**Commodities:**

- FY25 only: \$10.0 for one-time set up costs for PFT Admin Assistant position (RSS 1156)
- FY26 only: \$20.0 for one-time set up costs for LTNP Admin Assistant positions (RSS 1156)
- FY26 only: \$10.0 for one-time set up costs for LTNP Investigator (GF 1004)

*Professional licensing programs within the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing are primarily funded by Receipt Supported Services (fund source 1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF)). 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.*