

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2024 Legislative Session

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Identifier: HB175SS-DCCED-CBPL-02-16-24
 Title: BOARD OF LICENSED MIDWIVES
 Sponsor: ALLARD
 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)

	FY2025	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2025 Request	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2025	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services	9.2						
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	9.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF)	9.2						
Total	9.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues

1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF)	9.2						
Total	9.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 06/30/25

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

HB 175 will update Alaska's midwife statutes to better align with current national standards and make the profession of midwifery independent from other healthcare professions. It will change the name of the board and license type and amend the makeup of the board. The qualifications for licensure are adjusted by requiring an applicant to have an approved professional midwife certification to get an initial license or to renew and pass the national midwifery exam to qualify for licensure. Definitions of the practice of midwifery are amended. Additionally, health care insurers providing coverage for the costs of childbirth are required to provide coverage for the costs of home birth services.

Due to the change in the name of the board and license type, the department will need to update all associated forms and webpages, as well as the professional licensing database, to reflect the new information. This work can be handled using existing resources.

If the bill passes the following expenses will be incurred:

Services: FY25 only: \$9.2 for legal costs and associated printing and postage to amend midwives' regulations and centralized regulations

Professional licensing programs within the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing are 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.