

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
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Identifier: SB044-DPS-SWS-03-02-23  
 Title: NATUROPATHS: LICENSING; PRACTICE  
 Sponsor: GIESSEL BY REQUEST  
 Requester: (S) HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

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)

	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							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
<b>Total Operating</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)**

None							
<b>Total</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							

**Change in Revenues**

None							
<b>Total</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 (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? No  
 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

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

An error was identified in prior fiscal note analysis listing the need to add language to AS 12.62.400. The fiscal note is being updated to remove this reference as the required language is in the bill.

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Agency:	Department of Public Safety		

## FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

STATE OF ALASKA  
2023 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**Analysis**

This bill establishes the Naturopathy Advisory Board under the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development and amends or adds to the requirements for licensure, licensure renewals, duties to report, suspension and revocation of licensure, grounds to refuse licensure, services and restrictions a licensed naturopath can provide while practicing, and public health duties.

The bill also requires persons applying for licensure to practice naturopathy, or for licensure renewal applications every six years, to submit fingerprints and fees to the Department of Public Safety under AS 12.62.160 and AS 12.62.400 for a national criminal history background check.

The volume of submissions to the Department of Public Safety for criminal history background checks for licensure and renewals for licensure to practice naturopathy is unknown at this time. If signed into law, the department will determine the volume and impact of the anticipated increase in criminal history record background checks at that time.