

# Fiscal Note

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Identifier: SB173-DPS-SWS-1-28-24  
 Title: AUTHORIZE HANDGUNS SCHOOL  
           EMPLOYEE/VOLUNT  
 Sponsor: HUGHES  
 Requester: (S) Labor and Commerce

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)

	FY2025 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2025 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
			FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>FY 2025</b>	<b>FY 2025</b>	<b>FY 2026</b>	<b>FY 2027</b>	<b>FY 2028</b>	<b>FY 2029</b>	<b>FY 2030</b>
Personal Services	96.6		96.6	96.6	96.6	96.6	96.6
Travel							
Services	16.0		16.0	16.0	16.0	16.0	16.0
Commodities	24.4		6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>137.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>118.6</b>	<b>118.6</b>	<b>118.6</b>	<b>118.6</b>	<b>118.6</b>

**Fund Source (Operating Only)**

1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	137.0		118.6	118.6	118.6	118.6	118.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>137.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>118.6</b>	<b>118.6</b>	<b>118.6</b>	<b>118.6</b>	<b>118.6</b>

**Positions**

Full-time	1.0		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
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 (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? No  
 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? N/A

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

Not applicable, initial analysis.

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## FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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## Analysis

This bill will require school districts to grant qualified persons an assigned duty to carry a concealed handgun on school grounds under certain conditions. The criteria for a person to be granted an assigned duty to carry a concealed handgun on school grounds requires the person to apply for a concealed carry permit under Alaska Statute (AS) 18.65.700 – 18.65.790.

There are approximately 500 public schools organized within 54 districts and a state residential boarding academy according to [alaskateacher.org](http://alaskateacher.org). This bill could significantly increase the number of applications for concealed carry permits submitted to the Department of Public Safety (DPS) under AS 18.65.700.

The DPS is required to approve or reject applications within 30 days of receipt, and the research requires a comprehensive review of multiple state and federal systems and records to ensure compliance with both state and federal firearm laws. The department would need to maintain the permits to ensure continued compliance with state and federal firearm laws, and would anticipate ongoing submissions through routine staff attrition in the schools.

The department currently has one Criminal Justice Technician and one Office Assistant managing the daily operation of state's concealed carry permit program, security guard licensing program, and the civilian process server licensing program. The department will need an additional Criminal Justice Technician to continue to meet the statutorily designated timelines and the increased workload. Additionally, costs to produce the permits will also increase with the increased volume of applications.

Personal Services

Criminal Justice Technician 1/2 Flex, Step C, Anchorage: \$96.6

Services

Ongoing costs for supplies, training, and other contractual obligations: \$16.0

Commodities

One time office supplies, workstation: \$18.4

Ongoing office supplies: \$6.0