

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
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Identifier: SB181-DOA-PDA-2-9-24
 Title: CHILD PLACEMENT; DILIGENT SEARCH
 Sponsor: BJORKMAN
 Requester: (S)HSS

Department: Department of Administration
 Appropriation: Legal and Advocacy Services
 Allocation: Public Defender Agency
 OMB Component Number: 1631

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 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2025	FY 2025	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
Personal Services	386.1		386.1	386.1	386.1	386.1	386.1	386.1
Travel	5.5		5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
Services	72.1		72.1	72.1	72.1	72.1	72.1	72.1
Commodities	10.5		10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
Total Operating	474.2	0.0	474.2	474.2	474.2	474.2	474.2	474.2

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	474.2		474.2	474.2	474.2	474.2	474.2	474.2
Total	474.2	0.0	474.2	474.2	474.2	474.2	474.2	474.2

Positions

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

Change in Revenues

None								
Total	0.0	0.0	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? 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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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 version.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This bill makes it easier for foster parents seeking to adopt children to maintain placement with children in their care and in some circumstances elevates placement with foster parents to the same preference given to family member placements. These changes are likely to increase litigation in child in need of aid cases where children are placed with potential adoptive parents over family members.

Increased litigation and increased length of time to disposition will increase costs for the Public Defender Agency. The Agency will need the following additional positions to respond to increased workload:

Add Attorney 1-4 (range 24/C, Anchorage)

Personal Services - \$184.3

Travel: - \$5.5

Case Costs: - \$27.7

Indirect rates- \$14.8

Commodities - \$3.5

Add Paralegal 1-2 (range 16/A, Fairbanks)

Personal Services - \$102.1

Travel: - \$0.00

Indirect rates- \$14.8

Commodities - \$3.5

Add Paralegal 1-2 (range 16/A, Kenai)

Personal Services - \$99.7

Travel: - \$0.00

Indirect rates- \$14.8

Commodities - \$3.5