

# Fiscal Note

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 Title: VOTER PREREGISTRATION FOR MINORS  
 Sponsor: STORY  
 Requester: (H) State Affairs

Department: Office of the Governor  
 Appropriation: Elections  
 Allocation: Elections  
 OMB Component Number: 21

### Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2026	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2026 Request	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>FY 2026</b>	<b>FY 2026</b>					
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services	15.0		15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>15.0</b>

### Fund Source (Operating Only)

1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	15.0		15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>15.0</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 (FY2025) cost:** 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

**Estimated CAPITAL (FY2026) 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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? **07/01/26**

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

Updated to reflect changes made in the committee substitute that require the Division of Elections to mail a notice and provide a postage-paid return card.

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## FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

STATE OF ALASKA  
2025 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**Analysis**

This bill will allow persons at least 16 years of age and under 18 years of age to preregister to vote. It requires the Division of Elections (division) to send a notice by non-forwardable mail to confirm the address of a preregistered person 90 days before the person reaches 18 years of age. The notice must include a postage prepaid return card on which the person may state the person's current address. If the person returns the card, the division shall register the person when the person reaches 18 years of age and mail them a voter registration card.

The division will need to develop a technical solution for the statewide voter registration and election management system (VREMS) to accommodate this new group of future voters. Because the division is building a new voter registration system and can integrate these changes as part of the build, there will not be a cost for the technical solution.

The division will revise voter registration forms and the online voter registration system to include the designation of preregistration. These changes will be absorbed into regular updates and as part of the voter registration system build-out.

The July 2024 Alaska population estimate for 16-year-olds is 10,303. Assuming all 10,303 preregistered to vote, the cost to mail the non-forwardable notice would be \$7,512 (10,303 x 0.73 postage), with an additional cost of \$7,512 for the postage prepaid return card for a total estimated annual cost of \$15,042.

The division will adopt regulations for the process to confirm the residence addresses of preregistered voters before registering them to vote.