

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2026 Legislative Session

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 Title: RESPIRATORY CARE LICENSE
 Sponsor: LABOR & COMMERCE
 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)

	FY2027 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2027 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
			FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services	17.6		17.6	17.6	17.6	17.6	17.6	17.6
Travel	4.0		4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Services	24.5		20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0
Commodities								
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
Total Operating	46.1	0.0	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF)	46.1		41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6
Total	46.1	0.0	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6

Positions

Full-time								
Part-time								
Temporary								

Change in Revenues

1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF)	46.1		41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6
Total	46.1	0.0	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2026) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2027) 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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 12/31/27

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Not applicable, initial version.

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Agency:	Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development		

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This legislation creates a new license type and full licensing framework for Respiratory Care Practitioners (RCPs) that will be regulated by the department. These licensees must be under the supervision of a qualified medical director, and are authorized to practice in a clinic, hospital, skilled nursing facility, private dwelling, or other location that meets the criteria laid out in the chapter.

If the bill passes the following expenses may be incurred and paid from Receipt Supported Services, fund code 1156. The division will reclassify one vacant Office Assistant 2 into a Licensing Examiner 1 to process applications related to Respiratory Care Practitioners.

If this legislation is adopted, the division will require the following expenditure authority, which will be supported by licensing receipts collected under the program.

Personal Services: \$17.6 Cost for reclassification for one full-time Licensing Examiner 1 (R14)

Travel: \$ 4.0 National association training

Services: \$ 4.5 Legal costs to amend regulations, printing, and postage in FY2027 only
 \$10.0 Legal cost related to investigations
 \$10.0 Hearing and Mediation Costs

Professional licensing programs within the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing are funded by Receipt Supported Services, fund source 1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF). Per AS 08.01.065, licensing fees for each occupation are set, and adjusted biennially as needed, so the total amount of revenue collected approximately equals the occupation's actual regulatory costs.