

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2026 Legislative Session

Bill Version:	CSHB 377(STA)
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Identifier: HB377-LAW-SLA-03-13-26  
 Title: PUBLIC RECORDS: AUDIO & VIDEO; MUNI COSTS  
 Sponsor: STATE AFFAIRS  
 Requester: (H) Community & Regional Affairs

Department: Department of Law  
 Appropriation: Civil Division  
 Allocation: Special Litigation & Appeals  
 OMB Component Number: 3460

**Expenditures/Revenues**

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

	FY2027	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2027 Request	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>FY 2027</b>	<b>FY 2027</b>	<b>FY 2028</b>	<b>FY 2029</b>	<b>FY 2030</b>	<b>FY 2031</b>	<b>FY 2032</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 (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? 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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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 template.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This bill would confirm that "record" in the State Records Management Act and "public records" in the Alaska Public Records Act include audio and video recordings. The Department of Law already interprets those statutes to include audio and video recordings. In addition, the bill would authorize a municipality to charge a requester the personnel costs of searching for and copying public records in response to a request that falls under AS 40.25.110 even if completing those tasks does not exceed five person-hours in a calendar month. A public agency of the State would remain subject to the five-person-hour threshold in AS 40.25.110(c). The bill would not result in any increased cost to the Department of Law.