

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2025 Legislative Session

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Identifier: SB041-EED-SSA-1-31-25
 Title: PUBLIC SCHOOLS: MENTAL HEALTH
 EDUCATION
 Sponsor: GRAY-JACKSON
 Requester: (S) Education

Department: Department of Education and Early Development
 Appropriation: Education Support and Admin Services
 Allocation: Student and School Achievement
 OMB Component Number: 2796

Expenditures/Revenues

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

	FY2026 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2026 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
			FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2026	FY 2026					
Personal Services							
Travel	120.0						
Services	36.0						
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits	60.0						
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	216.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	216.0						
Total	216.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 07/01/27

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Not applicable, initial version.

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Agency:	Department of Education and Early Development		

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

STATE OF ALASKA
2025 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**Analysis**

This bill amends existing health education law, AS 14.30.360, health education curriculum; physical activity guidelines, by specifically adding mental health education to the statute. This bill allows for students to receive on-going education on mental health by:

- 1) explicitly adding mental health and physical health to the list of health topics, and encouraging school districts to include mental health in their kindergarten through 12th grade health education programs, and
- 2) requiring the State Board of Education and Early Development to provide school districts with health education guidelines for instruction in mental health that are developed in consultation with the Department of Health, the Department of Family and Community Services, and representatives of national and state health organizations. The mental health guidelines are to be developed within two years of the effective date.

This bill also instructs the department's report to the legislature to include a copy of the developed guidelines and the process used to develop them.

The fiscal note includes the following one-time expenses:

- 1) \$120.0 for 30 committee members to travel twice a year for in-person convenings (\$2.0 per participant);
- 2) \$36.0 for services including \$30.0 to hire a facilitator to oversee implementation and professional development for educators and \$6.0 for legal fees to implement the necessary regulation changes; and
- 3) \$60.0 for committee member stipends (\$2.0 per participant).