

Fiscal Note

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 Title: CHUGACH STATE PARK EASEMENTS
 Sponsor: GIESSEL
 Requester: (S)TRA

Department: Department of Natural Resources
 Appropriation: Parks & Outdoor Recreation
 Allocation: Parks Management & Access
 OMB Component Number: 3001

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
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2026	FY 2026					
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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

Through the committee process, the Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) understanding of this legislation has changed. As such, the municipality seeking an easement would pay for the costs of an easement, the department no longer estimates a fiscal impact.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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2025 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**Analysis**

Senate Bill 47 proposes updates to the management responsibilities of Chugach State Park, allowing for greater flexibility in land management and infrastructure improvements.

This bill allows the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to grant easements or rights-of-way in Chugach State Park to municipalities if such actions improve public access or are in the public interest. This authority solves an issue allowing municipalities to bond for improvements inside of a legislatively designated state park.

This bill will improve infrastructure and encourage tourism, benefiting businesses such as tour operators, outdoor outfitters, and local retailers. This bill has the potential to allow for more commercial use of park land due to improved access and safety to trailheads within Chugach State Park.

DNR does not anticipate a fiscal impact, as the municipality requesting an easement or right-of-way under this bill shall be responsible for all applicable application fees and costs associated with processing a request.