

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2025 Legislative Session

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Identifier: SB098-DCCED-CBPL-02-14-25
 Title: EXTEND BOARD OF VETERINARY EXAMINERS
 Sponsor: LABOR & COMMERCE
 Requester: (S) 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)

	FY2026 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2026 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
			FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services								
Travel		27.6	27.6	27.6	27.6	27.6	27.6	27.6
Services		1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
Commodities								
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
Total Operating	0.0	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF)		29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1
Total	0.0	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1

Positions

Full-time								
Part-time								
Temporary								

Change in Revenues

1156 Rcpt Svcs (DGF)		29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1
Total	0.0	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1

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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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:

Not applicable, initial version.

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Agency:	Commerce, Community, and Economic Development		

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

SB 98 extends statutory authorization for the Board of Veterinary Examiners to June 30, 2031. Adoption of the bill will continue existing activities by the board and administration by the division. Failure to adopt the bill will result in a one-year wind down of the board in FY2026, and the division will assume all licensing responsibility in FY2027.

If the bill passes the following expenses will be incurred:

Travel: \$27.6 (5 board members and 1 staff member, to attend four board meetings per year)

Services: \$0.4 (advertising of public notice of board meetings)
\$1.0 (training and conference fees)
\$0.1 (stipends for board members attending board meeting in community of residence)

Regardless of whether this bill passes, activities and costs of the licensing programs will continue. Annual Board of Veterinary Examiners expenditures are estimated to be approximately \$209.2 with revenue from license fees covering those expenses. Current schedules of revenues and expenditures for licensing programs are located online at: <https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/DivisionReports.aspx>

If this legislation is not passed and the board sunsets, the department would continue to require access to expertise in the profession. Replacing the expertise currently provided by volunteer board members with professional service contracts may increase the annual costs of this program, resulting in increased license fees. No professional licensing board has sunset in recent years, so reasonable estimates of this cost are unknown.

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 so the total amount of revenue collected approximately equals the occupation's actual regulatory costs.