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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1992 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

348 Bill Version: SB 348
(S) Publish Date: 1/13/92

Revision Date: _____ Department Affected: Department of Corrections
Title: "An Act expanding the exempt service to include Dept. of Corr. physician" BRU: _____
Sponsor: _____ Component: _____
Requestor: _____ COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
PERSONAL SERVICES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

CAPITAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

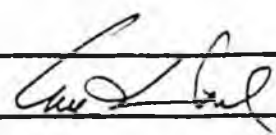
GENERAL FUND	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER FUND SOURCE:						
TOTAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: _____

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

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Division: Administrative Services Date: 11-1-91
Approved by Commissioner: Lloyd F. Hames, Commissioner
Agency: Department of Corrections Date: 11-1-91

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 Title: Expand exempt service to include Department of
Corrections physician
 Sponsor: Rules/Governor
 Requestor: Governor

Department Affected: Administration
 BRU: Personnel
 Component: Personnel

COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98
PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
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TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:	0	0	0	0	0	0
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GENERAL FUND						
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TOTAL						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
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Estimate of current year impact: \$0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

This bill will have no fiscal impact on the Department of Administration.

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WALTER J. HICKEL
GOVERNOR

STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
JUNEAU

January 13, 1992

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*The Honorable Richard I. Eliason
President of the Senate
Alaska State Legislature
P.O. Box V
Juneau, AK 99811*

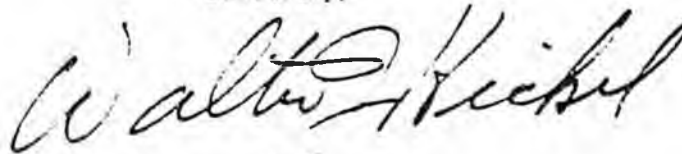
Dear President Eliason:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill expanding the exempt service to include physicians hired by the Department of Corrections.

The bill will give the Department of Corrections the flexibility needed to attract and retain a well-qualified medical officer to oversee the provision of medical services to the more than 2,500 inmates under the responsibility of the department. It will also provide the department with greater ability to attract and retain qualified physicians to provide constitutionally and statutorily mandated medical services to inmates. If those medical services are not provided in a competent, professional manner, the state suffers the risk of significant financial exposure.

I urge your prompt passage of this bill.

Sincerely,



Walter J. Hickel
Governor

SENATE BILL NO. 348

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

Introduced: 1/13/92
Referred: Health, Education and Social Services

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act expanding the exempt service to include Department of Corrections physicians;
2 and providing for an effective date."

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

4 * Section 1. AS 39.25.110(13) is amended to read:

5 (13) physicians licensed to practice in this state and employed by the division of
6 mental health and developmental disabilities in the [,] Department of Health and Social Services
7 or by the Department of Corrections;

8 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

*Forensic
consultation
team transferred
from DHS.*

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

WALTER J. HICKEL, GOVERNOR

REPLY TO

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February 12, 1992

The Honorable Arliss Sturgulewski
Chairperson
Health, Education, and Social Services Committee
Alaska State Senate
P.O. Box V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Senator Sturgulewski,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Administration regarding Senate Bill 348. This bill, which expands the exempt service to include Department of Corrections physicians, has been referred to the Senate HESS Committee for a hearing. On behalf of the Administration, I respectfully request that you schedule this bill for a hearing before your committee.

Although Corrections was moved out from under the Department of Health and Social Services and became a Department in 1984, the statute limiting exempt service medical doctors to DHSS was not changed to reflect that move. The Department of Corrections is responsible for the physical and mental health of over 2,500 inmates. Until 1991, we employed one part time doctor in a classified position and contracted for all other services from medical doctors.

In 1991, in order to better manage the delivery of health care services, oversight of inmate health care was placed under the direction of a full time medical doctor employed by the Department. Also in 1991, through a Memorandum of Agreement between DHSS and DOC, the Forensic Consultation Team was transferred to our Department. This transfer included two exempt psychiatrist positions. One of these positions is filled and the Department plans to recruit for and fill the other position. The medical doctor overseeing Inmate Health Services and the psychiatrist on the Forensic team are currently employed in exempt status by the Governor's authority under AS 39.25.110 (9). This temporary authorization expires on June 30, 1992. To continue managing medical and mental health services in the most effective manner possible, the Department needs this statutory change.

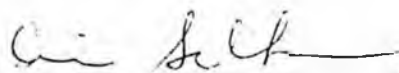
The Honorable Arliss Sturglewski

February 5, 1992
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Thank you for your anticipated response to this request to calendar SB 348 for a hearing.

Sincerely,

Lloyd Hames
Commissioner

BY: 
Diane Schenker
Legislative Liaison

cc: Theodore Mala, Commissioner
Department of Health and Social Services

Lori Nottingham, Deputy Legislative Liaison
Office of the Governor