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# FISCAL NOTE

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STATE OF ALASKA  
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**BILL**

Bill Version: CSSSHB 352 (CRA)

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Revision Date: <u>11-Feb-94</u>	Dept Affected: <u>Natural Resources</u>
Title: <u>Establishing DNR as Plotting Authority in</u>	BRU: <u>Resource Development</u>
<u>certain areas of the State</u>	Component: <u>Land Development</u>
Sponsor: <u>Representative James</u>	
Requestor: <u>House Resources</u>	Component Serial No. <u>431</u>

Expenditures/Revenues	(Thousands of Dollars)					
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY95	FY96	FY97	FY98	FY99	FY00
PERSONAL SERVICES	66.0	66.0	66.0	66.0	66.0	66.0
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL	10.0					
SUPPLIES	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>80.0</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>70.0</b>
<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</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>CHANGE IN REVENUES ( )</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	(Thousands of Dollars)					
1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts	80.0	70.0	70.0	70.0	70.0	70.0
1006 GF/MHTIA						
Other						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>80.0</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>70.0</b>

Estimate of any current year (FY94) cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

POSITIONS						
FULL-TIME	1	1	1	1	1	1
PART-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

**ANALYSIS:** (Attach a separate page if necessary)

See attached analysis page.

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Approved by Commissioner: <u>Harry A. Noah</u>	Date: <u>11-Feb-94</u>
Agency: <u>Natural Resources</u>	

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ATTACHMENT A

BACK UP FOR FISCAL NOTE FY 95

PERSONAL SERVICES:

Anticipate 250 subdivision plats submitted for review per year.

Preliminary reviews will be performed by CSA II, at \$31.41 per hour.

Estimated review time will be 7.5 hours per plat.

250 plats X 7.5hrs/plat X \$31.41/hr = \$58,893.00                      \$58,893.00

Final reviews and approval will be performed by CS I, at \$39.58 per hour.

Estimated review and approval time will be 0.75 hours per plat.

250 plats X 0.75hrs/plat X \$39.58/hr = \$7,421.00                      \$ 7,421.00

TOTAL PERSONAL SERVICES                      \$66,314.00

CONTRACTUAL:

The State must purchase existing land records, survey plats and field survey notes from BLM and the recording offices to carry out the functions required by this bill. The one time purchase cost for microfiche copys of survey plats and field notes to cover the State is \$10,000.00. Document purchases from the recording office will be covered through the supply budget.

TOTAL CONTRACTUAL                      \$10,000.00

SUPPLY:

The supply budget will consist of phone calls, copy purchases from the Recorders Office, office supplies and space rent. Estimate of \$4,000.00.

TOTAL SUPPLY                      \$ 4,000.00

Analysis

This bill will greatly benefit anyone purchasing property in the unorganized borough or third class boroughs. There is more and more subdivision activity in our outlying areas. The passage of this bill will ensure that land offered for sale meets the applicable laws, reduces the chances of clouded title, ensures proper location of parcels, and ensures that all subdivided parcels have legal access.

The committee substitute (House Community and Regional Affairs) added a section that authorizes the department to "adopt regulations establishing fees for the services provided." Fees are to include costs for personal, contractual, and material services. Based on this amendment this fiscal note reflects a change from general fund to general fund/program receipt funding.

We estimate that the DNR Survey Unit's work load will increase by approximately 250 plat reviews per year. Attached is a cost breakdown of dealing with this additional work.

We currently have existing regulations that should cover the costs of this program. These regulations cover both preliminary, final plat reviews and recording fees. These costs are \$200.00 per plat, with an additional charge of \$50.00 per parcel. At an average cost of \$350.00 per review, \$87,500.00 would be generated which is higher than our requested program receipt funding level of \$80,000.00. These plat review fees are comparable with existing borough platting fees.