

**HEB**

**119**

# FISCAL NOTE

No. 1

Bill Version: CSHB 119(JUD)

(H) Publish Date: 3/10/97

STATE OF ALASKA  
1997 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Revision Date: 3/7/97 Dept. Affected: Courts  
 Title: \_\_\_\_\_ BRU: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Component: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sponsor: Hodgins  
 Requester: House Judiciary COMPONENT SERIAL NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**Expenditures/Revenues** (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 98	FY 99	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02	FY 03
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</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>

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ( )						
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**FUND SOURCE** (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other						
<b>TOTAL</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>

Estimate of any current year (FY97) cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**POSITIONS**

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

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 Division: House Judiciary Committee  
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 Agency: Chairman, House Judiciary Committee

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# SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 4/9/97

FURTHER:

DATE TURNED  
IN TO OFFICE: 4/23/97

Judiciary Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 119(JUD)

"An Act raising the limit on small claims actions to \$7,500; amending Rule 9, Alaska Rules of Administration; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends:

be replaced with \_\_\_\_\_ CS \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_)

adopt previous \_\_\_\_\_ CS HB119 ( JUD )

attached amendment(s)

adopt Letter of Intent by \_\_\_\_\_ Committee

further referral to the \_\_\_\_\_ Committee

**Senate Bill:**

same title

new title

**House Bill:**

same title

technical change

new: SCR# \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNING DO PASS	DP	OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS	NR	DNP	AM
<i>Paul D. Parnell</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>July Ellis</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
<i>A. Kenice</i>					
CHAIR: <i>Christina Taylor</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CHAIR:			

**NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):**

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal

**PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTE(S):\***

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal
<i>COURTS</i>	<i>3/7/97</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

APPROPRIATION -- no fiscal note

\*include fiscal notes accompanying Governor's bill

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House District 9

## SPONSOR STATEMENT

### HB 119, INCREASE SMALL CLAIMS LIMIT TO \$10,000.

House Bill 119 would change the small claims limit in (AS 22.15.040(a) ) from \$5000 to \$10,000. This increase more accurately represents the real dollar costs involved in small claims litigation.

The effective date of the amendment is July 1, 1997.

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## MEMORANDUM

March 18, 1997

**SUBJECT:** Sectional Summary of CSHB 119. (W.O. 0-LS0440\E)

**TO:** Representative Mark Hodgins  
Attn. Tom Manninen

**FROM:** Gerald P. Luckhaupt   
Legislative Counsel

You have requested a sectional summary of the above-described bill. As a preliminary matter, please note that a sectional summary of a bill should not be considered an authoritative interpretation of the bill - the bill itself is the best statement of its contents.

Section 1 of the bill raises the small claims jurisdictional limit from \$5,000 to \$7,500.

Section 2 of the bill raises the jurisdictional limit for actions before magistrates to \$7,500.

Section 3 of the bill amends Rule 9(c)(2), Alaska Rules of Administration, to increase the filing fee for small claims action where the claim for relief is for more than \$2,500.

Section 4 of the bill provides an effective date.

GPL:jdr  
97-191:jdr

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE  
HOUSE BILL NO. 119

HISTORY IN THE HOUSE

1997  
2/7 Read first time and referred to:  
Jud

3/10 Jud RPT CS(Jud)  New Title  
7 DP  DNP  NR  AM  
 FN 1 OFN Previous FN

RPT CS( ) New Title  
 DP DNP NR AM  
 FN OFN Previous FN

RPT CS( ) New Title  
 DP DNP NR AM  
 FN OFN Previous FN

4/7 Read second time  
 CS(Jud) Adopted

Amended

4/7 Advanced

4/7 Read third time

Return to second for specific amendment  
COURT RULE AND

4/7 PASSED EFD Same  or  
 Yeas 39 Yeas  
 Nays  Nays  
 Excused 1 Excused  
 Absent  Absent

Intent adopted

Reconsideration  
 Reconsideration not taken up

PASSED ON RECON. EFD Same  or  
 Yeas Yeas  
 Nays Nays  
 Excused Excused  
 Absent Absent

Intent adopted

4/7 Reported correctly engrossed  
 Signed by Speaker, to the Senate

Suzi Howell  
 Chief Clerk of the House

HISTORY IN THE SENATE

1997  
4/9 Read first time and referred to:  
JUD

RPT( ) CS DP NR DNP AM  
 New Title Same Title Previous FN  
 FN OFN To

RPT( ) CS DP NR DNP AM  
 New Title Same Title Previous FN  
 FN OFN To

RPT( ) CS DP NR DNP AM  
 New Title Same Title Previous FN  
 FN OFN To

Rules Calendar( ) CS AM Other  
 New Title Same Title Previous FN  
 FN OFN

Read second time

CS Adopted ( ) New Title  
 Amended Advanced

Read third time

Letter of Intent adopted  
 Return to second for specific amendment

PASSED EFD Same  or  
 Yeas Yeas  
 Nays Nays  
 Excused Excused  
 Absent Absent

Reconsideration  
 Reconsideration not taken up

PASSED EFD Same  or  
 Yeas Yeas  
 Nays Nays  
 Excused Excused  
 Absent Absent

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Secretary of the Senate

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## Senate Judiciary Committee

### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Senator Taylor, Chairman  
Senator Pearce, Vice Chairman  
Senator Miller  
Senator Parnell  
Senator Ellis

**FROM:** Laura Chase, Committee Aide *Laura Chase*

**DATE:** April 16, 1997

**RE:** HB 119 Support

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The Secretary/Treasurer of Alaskans for Liability Reform, Mr. Al Tamagni, telephoned to say that he will not be available to testify when HB 119 is heard by Judiciary Committee members. Mr. Tamagni asked that the organization's support of SB 119 be reflected in the record. On behalf of his organization, he urges you to pass this legislation from committee at your earliest convenience.

If you wish to contact Mr. Tamagni, his addresses and phone number are listed below.

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