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 Bill Version: SB 91
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Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: Health & Social Services
 Title: Services available to pregnant women/informed consent for abortion BRU: State Health Services
 Component: Maternal, Child, & Family Hlth
 Sponsor: Ward
 Requester: Senate (HES) Component Number: 290

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Personal Services	22.1	23.9	25.7	27.5	29.3	31.1
Travel	10.0	4.0	4.2	4.4	4.3	4.5
Contractual	16.0	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
Supplies	2.0	1.0	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	50.1	32.4	34.2	36.3	38.0	40.1

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	50.1	32.4	34.2	36.3	38.0	40.1
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type)						
TOTAL	50.1	32.4	34.2	36.3	38.0	40.1

Estimate of any current year (FY2001) cost: 0.0

Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2002 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time	2	2	2	2	2	2
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Personnel: \$22.1

.25 FTE Advanced Nurse Practitioner to 1) develop initial information packet, 2) conduct on-going literature review and provide updates when new information becomes available

.10 FTE Administrative Clerk II to 1) provide clerical support for mailings, copying, and ordering materials

Travel: \$10.0

Travel to areas in Alaska to do training on the new requirements.

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ANALYSIS: (continued)

Contractual: \$16.0

Material printing costs:

Initial \$10.0

Ongoing \$ 2.0

Postage:

Initial \$6.0

Ongoing \$1.5

Supplies: \$2.0

Initial \$2.0

Subscriptions/books for ANP \$0.5

Envelopes \$0.7

Letterhead \$0.8

Ongoing \$1.0



SENATOR JERRY WARD
ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

SPONSOR STATEMENT FOR SB 91

Ensuring Informed Consent

SB 91 elevates Alaska's current informed consent requirement from regulation to statute. This legislation would ensure that a patient is given the appropriate information about an abortion procedure without obstructing a physician's ability to tailor information to the individual needs of the patient.

Since the early 1970s, Alaska regulations have required physicians to advise patients seeking abortion of the "medical implications and the possible emotional and physical sequelae of the procedure." (12 AAC 40.070). However, Alaska's informed consent regulation lacks specificity and is not uniform in its application.

SB 91 requires the Department of Health and Social Services to develop a pregnancy informational pamphlet to be made available to the public. The pamphlet would list factual, nonbiased information about pregnancy and abortion, as well as pregnancy and abortion alternative resources, and state services available to women in Alaska.

SB 91 reinforces the current ethical standards by protecting them from possible systematic abuse in the future, putting a statutory safeguard into place for both women and physicians.

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PROPOSED SENATE HESS COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

SB 91 ABORTION: INFORMED CONSENT; INFORMATION

SB 91 would require the Department of Health & Social Services to prepare an informational pamphlet relating to pregnancy and pregnancy alternatives under guidelines described in the bill.

The proposed Senate Health, Education and Social Services Committee substitute for SB 91 addresses the distribution of the pamphlet. The committee substitute replaces subsection (c) of Section 1, which begins on page 3, line 9, to read as follows:

The department shall advertise the availability of the information required under (a) of this section and distribute the information free of charge on request and in appropriate volume to the requester. The department shall also place the information in public hospitals, clinics, or other health facilities throughout the state and, upon request of an administrator, in a private hospital, clinic, or health facility so that members of the public may obtain the information voluntarily, without request.

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