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HOUSE BILL NO. 379

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE WEYHRAUCH

Introduced: 1/20/04

Referred: Labor and Commerce, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act establishing an office of citizenship assistance in the Department of Labor and
2 Workforce Development."

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

4 * Section 1. AS 23.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 Sec. 23.05.125. Office of citizenship assistance. (a) The office of
6 citizenship assistance is established in the office of the commissioner. The office shall

7 (1) provide employment information and referrals to services for legal
8 aliens, including employment services, such as job placement services, and
9 information about how labor unions, administrative agencies, and court actions may be
10 used to deal with claims or charges of job discrimination, illegal termination of
11 employment, sexual harassment, and unsafe working conditions; and

12 (2) advise the commissioner on

13 (A) improving employment opportunities for legal aliens;

14 (B) preventing employment discrimination against legal aliens;

1 and

2 (C) cooperating with state and federal agencies to accomplish
3 the office's mission.

4 (b) In this section, "legal alien" means an individual who resides in Alaska, is
5 not a citizen of the United States, and is in compliance with the individual's federal
6 visa requirements.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2004 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Fiscal Note Number: _____
 Bill Version: HB379-DOLWD-CO-04-21-04
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Revision Date/Time: 04-21-04 11:09 AM
 Title: Office of Citizenship Assistance

Department: Labor and Workforce Development
 RDU: Office of the Commissioner
 Component: Commissioner's Office

Sponsor: Representative Weyhrauch
 Requester: House FIN

Component Number: 340

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Personal Services	64.0	64.0	64.0	64.0	64.0	64.0
Travel	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Contractual	15.6	15.6	15.6	15.6	15.6	15.6
Supplies	9.7	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	92.3	86.1	86.1	86.1	86.1	86.1

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	92.3	86.1	86.1	86.1	86.1	86.1
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	92.3	86.1	86.1	86.1	86.1	86.1

Estimate of any current year (FY2004) cost: None

Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2005 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time	1	1	1	1	1	1
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

See attached analysis.

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 Approved by: Greg O'Claray, Commissioner
 Agency: Department of Labor and Workforce Development

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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
2004 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL VERSION: HB379-DOLWD-CO-04-21-04

ANALYSIS: (continued)

HB 379 establishes the Office of Citizenship Assistance. The Office will provide employment information and referrals to public and private resources to persons who reside in the state, are not a citizen of the United States, and are in compliance with federal visa requirements. The Office will have an office located in Juneau that will be staffed by an Employment Security Analyst II. The Office will establish a web page and retain the services of language interpreters. Costs are estimated at \$92,250 and include:

Personal Services

Employment Security Analyst II	Range 17	64,000
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Travel

4 trips to assist clients	3,000
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Contractual

Interpreter Fees	4,000	
Phones (office and toll free number)	1,200	
Postage	1,000	
Office Lease	3,000	
Dept Overhead (10% of Pers Svcs)	6,400	
		15,600

Supplies

Office Supplies	2,000
Informational Booklets and Publications	1,500

One Time Items to Establish Office

PC and Printer	3,750	
Phones and Fax Machine	1,250	
Desk and Chair	850	
Chairs for Waiting Clients	300	
		9,650

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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Citizen Assistance Office

“An act establishing an Office of Citizenship Assistance in the Department of Labor and Workforce Development.”

House Bill 379 would create an office to assist naturalized citizens and citizen candidates in Alaska.

HB 379 establishes the Office of Citizenship Assistance in the Department of Labor and Workforce Development. Naturalized citizens and people who are actively pursuing United States citizenship could receive help navigating through state employment and federal immigration agencies.

The Office of Citizenship Assistance would also act as a liaison between individuals, the office of the Commissioner and state and federal agencies as well as private sector. Under this legislation the Office would assist in immigration services, employment services, affordable legal service, medical services, and educational opportunities. Information would be available regarding job discrimination, sexual harassment, and unsafe working conditions.

Alaska has a rich history of immigration. Through this legislation, the Office would be sensitive to the diverse cultural backgrounds of those it would serve. This Office will bridge the transition of adjustment for incoming new citizens to Alaska.

FISCAL NOTE

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FISCAL NOTE #1

STATE OF ALASKA
2004 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

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