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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

House Military & Veterans' Affairs Committee

REP. CHRIS TUCK

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House Bill 126

"An Act relating to workers' compensation benefits for members of the organized militia."

The Alaska State Legislature and Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs have been working together to modernize the 1955 Alaska Military Code by providing statutory changes that will better serve our Alaska organized militia.

House Bill 126 would expand workers' compensation coverage to the organized militia while they are participating training exercises. Currently, Alaska statutes already provides workers' compensation coverage during active state service, but not during training. By expending this protection, we could potentially provide a fiscally significant coverage and save the state money in the future.

This issue came to light during an incident when a member of the Alaska State Defense Force suffered an injury during a training exercise that led to his inability to work. Since workers' compensation was not available, this injury ultimately cost the state twice the amount of the entire annual budget of the Alaska State Defense Force. The Risk Management Division of the Alaska Department of Administration estimates there would be little to no additional cost to cover the Alaska State Defense Force members under existing state workers' compensation policies.

As we face tight fiscal times, it is important that we are taking steps to ensure cost savings where we can and pass responsible legislation that will protect Alaskans.

AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE HOUSE
TO: HB 126

BY REPRESENTATIVE TUCK

- 1 Page 1, line 8:
- 2 Delete "or disability"
- 3 Insert ", disability, or death"

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2017 Legislative Session

Bill Version: HB 126
Fiscal Note Number: _____
() Publish Date: _____

Identifier: HB126-MVA-COM-2-16-17
Title: ORGANIZED MILITIA: WORKERS
COMPENSATION
Sponsor: MILITARY & VETERANS' AFFAIRS
Requester: (H) MVA

Department: Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs
Appropriation: Military and Veterans' Affairs
Allocation: Office of the Commissioner
OMB Component Number: 414

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2018	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2018 Request	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2018	FY 2018					
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2017) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2018) cost: 0.0 *(separate capital appropriation required)*
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? No
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? N/A

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

Not applicable, initial version.

Prepared By: <u>Brian P. Duffy</u>	Phone: (907)428-7210
Division: <u>Administrative Services</u>	Date: 02/16/2017 04:00 PM
Approved By: <u>Laurel J. Hummel</u>	Date: 02/16/17
Agency: <u>Office of the Commissioner</u>	

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

**STATE OF ALASKA
2017 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

BILL NO. HB 126

Analysis

Passage of HB126 would neither increase required administrative actions and documentation following an injury to a member of Alaska's organized militia, nor would it have material effect on the Alaska Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs or the products and services we deliver; therefore, we are submitting a zero fiscal note.

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2017 Legislative Session

Bill Version: HB 126
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Identifier: HB126-DOLWD-WC-02-17-17
Title: ORGANIZED MILITIA: WORKERS
COMPENSATION
Sponsor: MILITARY & VETERANS' AFFAIRS
Requester: (H) MVA

Department: Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Appropriation: Workers' Compensation
Allocation: Workers' Compensation
OMB Component Number: 344

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2018	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2018 Request	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2018	FY 2018					
Personal Services							
Travel							
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Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
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Prepared By: Marie Marx, Director	Phone: (907)465-6060
Division: Workers' Compensation	Date: 02/17/2017 12:00 PM
Approved By: Heidi Drygas, Commissioner	Date: 02/17/17
Agency: Department of Labor and Workforce Development	

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

**STATE OF ALASKA
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Analysis

This legislation adds a new section to the Alaska Workers' Compensation Act providing workers' compensation coverage to a member of the organized militia.

There is no action required by the department resulting from this legislation; therefore, there is no fiscal impact to the department anticipated.

Fiscal Note

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Title: ORGANIZED MILITIA: WORKERS
COMPENSATION
Sponsor: MILITARY & VETERANS' AFFAIRS
Requester: House Military & Veterans Affairs

Department: Department of Administration
Appropriation: Risk Management
Allocation: Risk Management
OMB Component Number: 71

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

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Prepared By: Scott Jordan, Director
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Approved By: Sheldon Fisher, Commissioner
Agency: Administration

Phone: (907)465-5724
Date: 02/16/2017 09:00 AM
Date: 02/16/17

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

STATE OF ALASKA
2017 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

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Analysis

This bill is intended to cover the organized militia under Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs during their training missions. Currently they are only covered when called out by the Governor for active state service.

The organized militia has approximately 76 members and DMVA anticipates 2 days a month for training as well as 4 days a year for exercises. This limited exposure should add very little, if any, additional risk to the division's workers' compensation self-insured program; therefore, Risk Management submits a zero fiscal note.