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SB 152: September 11 Designated as Patriot Day

On September 11, 2001, our nation endured the worst terrorist attack on United States soil, and thousands of innocent people perished. Courage and bravery were demonstrated that day and in the days that followed by citizens who came to the rescue, and gave their lives to save others, many of whom never returned to their families. Brave men and women protect our country here and around the world, as do the devoted members of our law enforcement, firefighters, emergency medical responders, doctors, nurses, and first responders, and all who serve to keep our nation safe from those who would do violence to us. Our nation continues to be threatened by terrorists and extremists, and we must remain vigilant to ensure such an attack never occurs on American soil again. Many have made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our nation since 2001, with many Alaska-based soldiers deploying to fight terrorists abroad, even as recently as the September deployment of the 4-25th Brigade from Joint Base Elmendorf Richardson on a mission that truly began on Sept. 11, 2001.

SB 152 designates September 11 of every year as Patriot Day. In addition, SB 152 requests the Governor of the State of Alaska to order the observation of Patriot Day and the display of the U.S. flag at half staff in honor of individuals who lost their lives as a result of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2018 Legislative Session

Bill Version: SB 152
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Identifier: SB152-DOA-SSOA-01-26-18
Title: SEPT. 11: PATRIOT DAY
Sponsor: MEYER
Requester: (S) STA

Department: Department of Administration
Appropriation: Shared Services of Alaska
Allocation: Facilities
OMB Component Number: 2429

Expenditures/Revenues

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

	FY2019	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2019 Request	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2019	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
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 (FY2018) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2019) 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?

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Not applicable; initial version.

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Division: <u>Shared Services of Alaska</u>	Date: <u>01/26/2018</u>
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Agency: <u>Administration</u>	

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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BILL NO. SB 152

Analysis

This bill establishes September 11 of every year to commemorate the terrorist attacks of September 11th, 2001, and to honor the military, first responders and health care workers. The Division of Shared Services of Alaska does not anticipate a fiscal impact from the proposed legislation; therefore, the agency submits a zero fiscal note.

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For Immediate Release
Office of the Press Secretary
September 4, 2002

Patriot Day, 2002

By the President of the United States of America
A Proclamation

On this first observance of Patriot Day, we remember and honor those who perished in the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. We will not forget the events of that terrible morning nor will we forget how Americans responded in New York City, at the Pentagon, and in the skies over Pennsylvania – with heroism and selflessness; with compassion and courage; and with prayer and hope. We will always remember our collective obligation to ensure that justice is done, that freedom prevails, and that the principles upon which our Nation was founded endure.

Inspired by the heroic sacrifices of our firefighters, rescue and law enforcement personnel, military service members, and other citizens, our Nation found unity, focus, and strength. We found healing in the national outpouring of compassion for those lost, as tens of millions of Americans participated in moments of silence, candlelight vigils, and religious services. From the tragedy of September 11 emerged a stronger Nation, renewed by a spirit of national pride and a true love of country.

We are a people dedicated to the triumph of freedom and democracy over evil and tyranny. The heroic stories of the first responders who gave their all to save others strengthened our resolve. And our Armed Forces have pursued the war against terrorism in Afghanistan and else-where with valor and skill. Together with our coalition partners, they have achieved success.

Americans also have fought back against terror by choosing to overcome evil with good. By loving their neighbors as they would like to be loved, countless citizens have answered the call to help others. They have contributed to relief efforts, improved homeland security in their communities, and volunteered their time to aid those in need. This spirit of service continues to grow as thousands have joined the newly established USA Freedom Corps, committing themselves to changing America one heart at a time through the momentum of millions of acts of decency and kindness.

Those whom we lost last September 11 will forever hold a cherished place in our hearts and in the history of our Nation. As we mark the first anniversary of that tragic day, we remember their sacrifice; and we commit ourselves to honoring their memory by pursuing peace and justice in the world and security at home. By a joint resolution approved December 18, 2001 (Public Law 107-89), the Congress has authorized and requested the President to designate September 11 of each year as "Patriot Day."

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE W. BUSH, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim September 11, 2002, as Patriot Day. I call upon the people of the United States to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities, including remembrance services and candlelight vigils. I also call upon the Governors of the United States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, as well as appropriate officials of all units of government, to direct that the flag be flown at half-staff on Patriot Day. Further, I encourage all Americans to display the flag at half-staff from their homes on that day and to observe a moment of silence beginning at 8:46 a.m. eastern daylight time, or another appropriate commemorative time, to honor the innocent victims who lost their lives as a result of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this fourth day of September, in the year of our Lord two thousand two, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twenty-seventh.

GEORGE W. BUSH

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PATRIOT DAY AND NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE, 2009

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
A PROCLAMATION

Through the twisted steel of the twin towers of the World Trade Center, the scarred walls of the Pentagon, and the smoky wreckage in a field in southwest Pennsylvania, the patriotism and resiliency of the American people shone brightly on September 11, 2001. We stood as one people, united in our common humanity and shared sorrow. We grieved for those who perished and remembered what brought us together as Americans.

Today, we honor the lives we lost 8 years ago. On a bright September day, innocent men, women, and children boarded planes and set off for work as they had so many times before. Unthinkable acts of terrorism brought tragedy, destruction, pain, and loss for people across our Nation and the world.

As we pay tribute to loved ones, friends, fellow citizens, and all who died, we reaffirm our commitment to the ideas and ideals that united Americans in the aftermath of the attacks. We must apprehend all those who perpetrated these heinous crimes, seek justice for those who were killed, and defend against all threats to our national security. We must also recommit ourselves to our founding principles. September 11 reminds us that our fate as individuals is tied to that of our Nation. Our democracy is strengthened when we uphold the freedoms upon which our Nation was built: equality, justice, liberty, and democracy. These values exemplify the patriotism and sacrifice we commemorate today.

In that same spirit of patriotism, I call upon all Americans to join in service and honor the lives we lost, the heroes who responded in our hour of need, and the brave men and women in uniform who continue to protect our country at home and abroad. In April, I was proud to sign the bipartisan Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act, which recognizes September 11 as a National Day of Service and Remembrance. Originated by the family members of those who lost loved ones on 9/11, the National Day of Service and Remembrance is an opportunity to salute the heroes of 9/11, recapture the spirit of unity and compassion that inspired our Nation following the attacks, and rededicate ourselves to sustained service to our communities.

Throughout the summer, people of all ages and backgrounds came together to lend a helping hand in their communities through United We Serve. As this summer of service draws to an end, we renew the call to engage in meaningful service activities and stay engaged with those projects throughout the year. Working together, we can usher in a new era in which volunteering and service is a way of life for all Americans. Deriving strength from tragedy, we can write the next great chapter in our Nation's history and ensure that future generations continue to enjoy the promise of America.

By a joint resolution approved December 18, 2001 (Public Law 107-89), the Congress has designated September 11 of each year as Patriot Day, and by Public Law 111-13, approved April 21, 2009, has requested the observance of September 11 as an annually recognized National Day of Service and Remembrance.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BARACK OBAMA, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim September 11, 2009, as Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance. I call upon all departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the United States to display the flag of the United States at half-staff on Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance in honor of the individuals who lost their lives as a result of the terrorist attacks against the United States that occurred on September 11, 2001. I invite the Governors of the United States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and interested organizations and individuals to join in this observance. I call upon the people of the United States to participate in community service in honor of those our Nation lost, to observe this day with other ceremonies and activities, including remembrance services, and to observe a moment of silence beginning at 8:46 a.m. eastern daylight time to honor the innocent victims who perished as a result of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this tenth day of September, in the year of our Lord two thousand nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-fourth.

BARACK OBAMA

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Administration of Donald J. Trump, 2017

Proclamation 9635—National Days of Prayer and Remembrance, 2017
September 8, 2017

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

During National Days of Prayer and Remembrance, our Nation recalls the nearly 3,000 innocent people murdered on September 11, 2001. As we reflect on our sorrow and our grief, we come together to pray for those who lost loved ones. As a Nation, we pray that the love of God and the comfort of knowing that those who perished are forever remembered brings them peace and gives them courage.

We pause to remember that tragic morning, when our homeland endured unprecedented attacks. As we watched smoke billow from the World Trade Center, we prayed for the safety of our fellow Americans, and we reached out to help, however we could. Now, during these days of prayer and remembrance, we remind ourselves of the lives—mothers, fathers, sons, and daughters—lost at the World Trade Center, at the Pentagon, and aboard United Flight 93 when it crashed near Shanksville, Pennsylvania. We also honor the brave first responders who rushed into crumbling buildings, risking their own lives to rescue others. More than 400 first responders lost their lives in those efforts, so that others would not perish.

Today, a single tree stands near the base of what was once the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center, having survived that fateful day 16 years ago. This tree, the "Survivor Tree," stands as a living testament to our national character of triumph. Like the Survivor Tree, we continue to stand tall and strong as one Nation. Try as they might, terrorists will never defeat our resilient American spirit.

We also pause to pray for those who fight today and every day to protect our country from terrorism. Those who commit acts of terror only have power if we choose to fear. In remembrance of September 11, 2001, Americans reveal their courage, strength, and resolve.

Now, Therefore, I, Donald J. Trump, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim Friday, September 8, through Sunday, September 10, 2017, as National Days of Prayer and Remembrance. I ask that the people of the United States mark these National Days of Prayer and Remembrance with prayer, contemplation, memorial services, the visiting of memorials, the ringing of bells, and evening candlelight remembrance vigils. I invite all people around the world to share in these Days of Prayer and Remembrance.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this eighth day of September, in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.

DONALD J. TRUMP

[Filed with the Office of the Federal Register, 11:15 a.m., September 13, 2017]

NOTE: This proclamation was published in the *Federal Register* on September 14.

Categories: Proclamations : National Days of Prayer and Remembrance.

Subjects: Holidays and special observances : Prayer and Remembrance, National Days of;
Terrorism : September 11, 2001, attacks.

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SEPTEMBER 11TH COMMEMORATION DAY

September 9, 2015

WHEREAS, the unprovoked, tragic terrorist attacks that struck the United States of America fourteen years ago on September 11, 2001, will never be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, we pay homage to the nearly three thousand innocent men, women, and children who lost their lives in New York, Washington DC, and Pennsylvania on that ill-fated day when 19 men hijacked four commercial flights bound for the west coast, flying them into the World Trade Center towers and the Pentagon. The fourth airliner crashed in a field just outside of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania after passengers and crew fought for their lives and control of the plane; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the heroism and determination of the firefighters, emergency personnel, police, and others who did their utmost to save the lives of their fellow Americans. We remember the sacrifice of hundreds of first responders in New York City who died while rescuing victims, many knowing they would not return; and

WHEREAS, following the attacks, many Alaskans travelled to the Ground Zero in New York to volunteer their time and skills to aid in the recovery effort, and many others joined Americans from across the nation in donating blood, supplies, and resources to assist the injured, and supporting those impacted with prayers and compassion; and

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GOVERNOR ORDER FLAGS LOWERED ON SEPTEMBER 11

September 10, 2015

Press Release: 15-118

September 10, 2015 ANCHORAGE – Governor Bill Walker today ordered all Alaska state flags to be lowered tomorrow in honor of Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance, which is an annual recognition of the events that took place on September 11, 2001. This action follows a proclamation by President Barack Obama to lower all United States flags in honor of those who were killed on September 11, 2001.

"Fourteen years ago, our world changed forever," said Governor Walker. "The lives of 3,000 men, women and children were taken from their families and communities. I hope Alaskans will join Donna and me in taking a moment of silence tomorrow morning in remembrance of those precious souls, and to renew our commitment to the values for which America stands—freedom, service and courage."

Per the President's proclamation, and Governor Walker's order, all United States and Alaska flags should be flown at half-staff from sunrise until sunset on Friday, September 11, 2015.

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SEPTEMBER 11TH COMMEMORATION DAY

September 2, 2016

WHEREAS, the unprovoked, tragic terrorist attacks on our nation on September 11, 2001, will never be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, we honor and remember the nearly 3,000 Americans who lost their lives in New York City, Washington, DC, and Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the heroism of the first responders – the firefighters, police, and emergency personnel and citizens who came to the aid of others immediately following the attacks, and mourn the loss of many who died rescuing victims of the attacks; and

WHEREAS, following the attacks, many Alaskans travelled to Ground Zero in New York to volunteer their time and skills to aid in the recovery effort, and many others joined Americans from across the nation in donating blood, supplies, and resources to assist the injured, and supporting those impacted with prayers and compassion; and

WHEREAS, on this day and every day, we as Americans reflect on the importance of freedom, tolerance, patriotism, diversity, and respect to our country, and are grateful for the privileges and rights that we hold as Americans; and

WHEREAS, the National September 11 Memorial and Museum now stands at the site of the former World Trade Center, and includes a memorial exhibition dedicated to commemorating the unique life of each victim who died the February 26, 1993 WTC bombing and the September 11, 2001 terror attacks.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bill Walker, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, do hereby proclaim September 11, 2016 as:

September 11th Commemoration Day

in Alaska, and encourage all Alaskans to take this day as one of service and compassion in remembrance of the fallen and their families, and in honor of all our first responders, caregivers, and service men and women, who protect the American people.

Dated: September 2, 2016



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GOVERNOR WALKER LOWERS FLAGS TO HONOR SEPTEMBER 11 VICTIMS

September 9, 2016

Press Release: 16-079

JUNEAU – Governor Bill Walker today ordered all Alaska state flags be lowered on Sunday, September 11 in honor of Patriot Day and the nearly 3,000 Americans who lost their lives on September 11, 2001. This directive coincides with a proclamation from the White House recognizing Sunday, September 11, 2016 as a National Day of Prayer and Remembrance, and an order to lower all United States flags for Patriot Day.

"September 11, 2001 is a day many of us will never forget. Whether we lost a loved one or simply grieved for our country, the tragic events that occurred on that day will forever be remembered," said Governor Walker. "I encourage all Alaskans to observe a moment of silence this Sunday in honor of those precious souls who were taken from this earth too soon, and the brave first responders who ran into danger to provide safety and security during a time of unrest. Their heroic actions will never be forgotten."

Per the [President's proclamation](#) and Governor Walker's order, all United States and Alaska flags should be flown at half-staff from sunrise to sunset on Sunday, September 11, 2016.

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SEPTEMBER 11TH COMMEMORATION DAY

September 1, 2017

WHEREAS, the unprovoked, tragic terrorist attacks on our nation on September 11, 2001, will never be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, we honor and remember the nearly 3,000 Americans who lost their lives in New York City, Washington , D.C., and Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the heroism of the first responders – the firefighters, police, and emergency personnel and citizens who came to the aid of others immediately following the attacks, and mourn the loss of many who died rescuing victims of the attacks; and

WHEREAS, following the attacks, many Alaskans travelled to Ground Zero in New York to volunteer their time and skills to aid in the recovery effort, and many others joined Americans from across the nation in donating blood, supplies, and resources to assist the injured, and supporting those impacted with compassion; and

WHEREAS, on this day and every day, we as Americans reflect on the importance to our nation of freedom, tolerance, patriotism, diversity, and respect for others, and are grateful for the rights and freedoms that we hold as Americans; and

WHEREAS, the National September 11 Memorial and Museum now stands

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GOVERNOR WALKER LOWERS FLAGS TO HONOR PATRIOT DAY AND SEPTEMBER 11 VICTIMS

September 10, 2017

September 10, 2017 ANCHORAGE — Governor Bill Walker today ordered all Alaska state flags be flown at half-staff on Monday, September 11 in honor of Patriot Day and the nearly 3,000 Americans who lost their lives on September 11, 2001. The directive coincides with a proclamation from the White House recognizing September 11, and ordering all United States flags be flown at half-staff.

“On September 11 and every day, we as Americans reflect on the importance to our nation of freedom, tolerance, patriotism, diversity, and respect for others, and are grateful for the rights and freedoms that we hold as Americans,” Governor Walker said. “We honor and remember the nearly 3,000 Americans who lost their lives, and the heroic first responders and emergency personnel who came to the aid of others immediately following the attacks. This unprovoked tragedy will never be forgotten.”

Per the President’s proclamation and Governor Walker’s order, all United States and Alaska flags should be flown at half-staff from sunrise to sunset on Monday, September 11, 2017.

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1 Page 1, line 1, following "Day":

2 Insert "; and establishing June 27 of each year as Post-Traumatic Stress Injury
3 Awareness Day"

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5 Page 1, line 3:

6 Delete "a new section"

7 Insert "new sections"

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9 Page 1, following line 12:

10 Insert new material to read:

11 "Sec. 44.12.170. Post-Traumatic Stress Injury Awareness Day. Post-
12 Traumatic Stress Injury Awareness Day is established on June 27 of each year to
13 promote awareness of persons suffering from post-traumatic stress injury and to
14 encourage Alaskans to reach out to those persons to provide support and eliminate the
15 stigma associated with post-traumatic stress injury. Post-Traumatic Stress Injury
16 Awareness Day may be observed by suitable observances and exercises by civic
17 groups and the public."