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2 comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date.

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4 * **Section 1. PURPOSE.** In accordance with AS 37.14.003 and 37.14.005, the
5 appropriations made by this Act are for the state's integrated comprehensive mental health
6 program.

7 * **Sec. 2. NONGENERAL FUND RECEIPTS.** (a) Mental Health Trust Authority
8 authorized receipts (AS 37.14.036) or administration receipts (AS 37.14.036) that exceed the
9 amounts appropriated by this Act are appropriated conditioned upon compliance with the
10 program review provisions of AS 37.07.080(h).

11 (b) If Mental Health Trust Authority authorized receipts (AS 37.14.036) or
12 administration receipts (AS 37.14.036) fall short of the estimates appropriated in this Act, the
13 affected appropriation is reduced by the amount of shortfall in receipts.

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Fiscal Year 1998 Budget Summary by Funding Source

Funding Source	Operating	New Legislation	Total
General Fund / Mental Health	108,326,700		108,326,700
Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts	5,430,000		5,430,000
Mental Health Trust Administration	876,700		876,700
*** Total ***	\$114,633,400		\$114,633,400

1 * Sec. 3 The following appropriation items are for operating expenditures from the general fund or
 2 other funds as set out in the fiscal year 1998 budget summary for the operating budget by funding
 3 source to the agencies named for the purposes expressed for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1997 and
 4 ending June 30, 1998, unless otherwise indicated.

		Appropriation	General	Other
	Allocations	Items	Funds	Funds
5				
6				
7	*****	*****		
8	*****	Department of Administration	*****	
9	*****	*****		
10	Senior Services	2,895,800	2,488,600	407,200
11	Pioneers Homes	444,000		
12	Home and Community Based Care	2,278,800		
13	Protection, Community	173,000		
14	Services, and Administration			
15	Office of Public Advocacy	601,900	601,900	
16	Information Technology	-400	-400	
17	*****	*****		
18	*****	Department of Corrections	*****	
19	*****	*****		
20	Administration & Operations	3,378,500	3,378,500	
21	Inmate Health Care	3,009,200		
22	Inmate Programs	369,300		
23	*****	*****		
24	*****	Department of Education	*****	
25	*****	*****		
26	Teaching and Learning Support	226,700	226,700	
27	Quality Schools	226,900		
28	Information Technology	-200		
29	*****	*****		
30	*****	Department of Health and Social Services	*****	
31	*****	*****		
32	Medical Assistance	30,912,000	29,762,000	1,150,000

1	Appropriation	General	Other
2	Allocations	Items	Funds
3 Medicaid Non-Facility	13,696,900		
4 It is the intent of the Legislature that the Medical Assistance Division provide to adults the			
5 optional Medicaid services numbered six through 31, as prioritized in AS 47.07.035, which include			
6 eyeglasses, hearing aids and dental care. The Legislature assumes a Medicaid general fund			
7 projection, including options six through ten, for fiscal year 1998 of 7.0% over the fiscal year			
8 1997 general fund authorization. Additionally the Legislature assumes that the Division will reduce			
9 this projected fiscal year 1998 increase in Medicaid expenditures by management of costs through			
10 regulations limiting scope, duration and amount of services, as well as through implementation of			
11 managed care initiatives. Specifically, it is the intent of the Legislature that the Division will:			
12 implement mental health prior authorization and changes to the scope of mental health services;			
13 realize full year savings from resource-based relative value scale rate-setting; realize full year			
14 savings from new facility reimbursement rate methodology; implement preadmission assessment and care			
15 plan counseling for persons seeking nursing home admission; implement managed care initiatives;			
16 conduct on-site medical reviews; initiate additional efforts to identify and secure 100% federal			
17 funding for medical services provided to IHS/Medicaid eligibles; and, work with community mental			
18 health providers to maintain services at no more than the fiscal year 1997 levels. The Department			
19 will report on beneficiaries, costs, and outcomes for the entire mental health system, and			
20 specifically how Medicaid costs and outcomes contribute to that system. The Legislature assumes			
21 that a net of 125 legal aliens will no longer qualify for Medicaid services during the last half of			
22 fiscal year 1998 due to changes in federal law. It is the intent of the Legislature that the			
23 Department provide a full accounting of the state resources made available in fiscal years 1996 and			
24 1997 to the 28 seriously emotionally disturbed children expected to participate in the fiscal year			
25 1998 TEFRA option. The Department shall implement the 48-hour maternity stay provision after			
26 January 1, 1998. The Division of Medical Assistance will provide, in addition to the reports required			
27 under AS 37.07.080, to the Legislature by the 15th day of the 1998 session a report describing the			
28 implementation and status of the Division's cost management activities to achieve the appropriation.			
29 Medicaid Facilities	12,648,400		
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22 implementation and status of the Division's cost management activities to achieve the appropriation.			
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25 Waivers Services	4,566,700		
26 Public Assistance Administration		24,000	24,000
27 Purchased Services		5,069,900	5,069,900
28 Foster Care Augmented Rate	400,000		
29 Foster Care Special Need	747,900		
30 Foster Care Alaska Youth	400,000		
31 Initiative			
32 Residential Child Care	3,522,000		

1		Appropriation	General	Other
2	Allocations	Items	Funds	Funds
3	Family and Youth Services	78,700	78,700	
4	Northern Region			
5	Youth Facility Services	143,700	143,700	
6	McLaughlin Youth Center	62,100		
7	Fairbanks Youth Facility	81,600		
8	Maniilaq	872,400	872,400	
9	Maniilaq Alcohol and Drug	522,400		
10	Abuse Services			
11	Maniilaq Mental Health and	350,000		
12	Developmental Disabilities			
13	Services			
14	Norton Sound	732,900	732,900	
15	Norton Sound Public Health	98,300		
16	Services			
17	Norton Sound Alcohol and Drug	232,200		
18	Abuse Services			
19	Norton Sound Mental Health	402,400		
20	and Developmental			
21	Disabilities Services			
22	Southeast Alaska Regional Health	265,800	265,800	
23	Consortium			
24	Southeast Alaska Regional	140,600		
25	Health Consortium Alcohol and			
26	Drug Abuse			
27	Southeast Alaska Regional	125,200		
28	Health Consortium Mental			
29	Health Services			
30	Tanana Chiefs Conference	737,200	737,200	

		Appropriation	General	Other
	Allocations	Items	Funds	Funds
1				
2				
3	Tanana Chiefs Conference	202,400		
4	Alcohol and Drug Abuse			
5	Services			
6	Tanana Chiefs Conference	534,800		
7	Mental Health Services			
8	Tlingit-Haida Alcohol and Drug	6,000	6,000	
9	Abuse Services			
10	Yukon-Kuskokwim Health	1,325,900	1,325,900	
11	Corporation			
12	Yukon-Kuskokwim Health	418,500		
13	Corporation Alcohol and Drug			
14	Abuse Services			
15	Yukon-Kuskokwim Health	907,400		
16	Corporation Mental Health			
17	Services			
18	State Health Services	4,080,100	3,676,900	403,200
19	Maternal, Child, and Family	93,600		
20	Health			
21	Healthy Families	250,000		
22	It is the intent of the legislature that the Kenai program be continued.			
23	Community Health/Emergency	133,200		
24	Medical Services			
25	It is the intent of the legislature that the Community health and Emergency Medical Services section			
26	of the Department of Health and Social Services be directed to distribute information that will help			
27	parents and agencies teach gun safety and safe use of firearms (for example, the Eddie Eagle			
28	program). It is the intent of the Legislature that the Department of Health and Social Services not			
29	distribute information that insinuates guns are the problem when it is solely the misuse of guns			
30	that causes problems.			
31	Infant Learning Program Grants	3,603,300		
32	Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services	11,316,600	10,547,300	769,300

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	Allocations	Items	Funds	Funds
1				
2				
3	Administration	1,095,600		
4	Alcohol and Drug Abuse Grants	8,064,700		
5	Alcohol/Drug Abuse Grants -	200,000		
6	Chronic Alcoholics			
7	Domiciliary Care Facilities			
8	Correctional ADA Grant	331,500		
9	Services			
10	Rural Services Grants	1,624,800		
11	Community Mental Health Grants	25,432,000	24,793,000	639,000
12	General Community Mental	935,800		
13	Health Grants			
14	Psychiatric Emergency Services	5,726,100		
15	Services to the Chronically	10,918,700		
16	Mentally Ill			
17	Designated Evaluation and	1,046,300		
18	Treatment			
19	Services for Seriously	6,805,100		
20	Emotionally Disturbed Youth			
21	Community Developmental	19,046,800	18,905,200	141,600
22	Disabilities Grants			
23	Institutions and Administration	4,746,900	3,717,300	1,029,600
24	Mental Health/Developmental	2,977,300		
25	Disabilities Administration			
26	Harborview Development Center	1,769,600		
27	Mental Health Trust Boards	760,600	699,600	61,000
28	Alaska Mental Health Board	369,800		
29	Governor's Council on	60,000		
30	Disabilities and Special			
31	Education			

1		Appropriation	General	Other
2		Items	Funds	Funds
3	Advisory Board on Alcoholism	330,800		
4	and Drug Abuse			
5	Administrative Services	5,700	-44,300	50,000
6	Commissioner's Office	50,000		
7	Information Technology	-44,300		
8	*****	*****		
9	***** Department of Law *****			
10	*****	*****		
11	Human Services Section	61,800	61,800	
12	*****	*****		
13	***** Department of Natural Resources *****			
14	*****	*****		
15	Mental Health Trust Lands	755,100		755,100
16	Administration			
17	*****	*****		
18	***** Department of Revenue *****			
19	*****	*****		
20	Alaska Mental Health Trust	876,700		876,700
21	Authority			
22	*****	*****		
23	***** University of Alaska *****			
24	*****	*****		
25	Anchorage Campus	200,800	200,800	
26	It is the intent of the legislature that the University present a proposal for a Physician's			
27	Assistant Program to the Mental Health Trust Authority. If the Mental Health Trust Authority decides			
28	to support such a program at the University, the University should come to the Legislative Budget			
29	and Audit Committee for expenditure authority.			
30	*****	*****		
31	***** Alaska Court System *****			
32	*****	*****		

	Appropriation	General	Other	
	Allocations	Items	Funds	Funds
3 Trial Courts	79,300	79,300		
4 * Sec. 4 The following sets out the funding by agency for the appropriations made in Sec. 3 of this				
5 Act.				
6 Department of Administration				
7	General Fund / Mental Health	3,090,100		
8	Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized	407,200		
9	Receipts			
10	*** Total Agency Funding ***	\$3,497,300		
11 Department of Corrections				
12	General Fund / Mental Health	3,378,500		
13	*** Total Agency Funding ***	\$3,378,500		
14 Department of Education				
15	General Fund / Mental Health	226,700		
16	*** Total Agency Funding ***	\$226,700		
17 Department of Health and Social Services				
18	General Fund / Mental Health	101,289,500		
19	Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized	4,267,700		
20	Receipts			
21	*** Total Agency Funding ***	\$105,557,200		
22 Department of Law				
23	General Fund / Mental Health	61,800		
24	*** Total Agency Funding ***	\$61,800		
25 Department of Natural Resources				
26	Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized	755,100		
27	Receipts			
28	*** Total Agency Funding ***	\$755,100		
29 Department of Revenue				
30	Mental Health Trust Administration	876,700		
31	*** Total Agency Funding ***	\$876,700		
32 University of Alaska				

1	General Fund / Mental Health	200.800
2	*** Total Agency Funding ***	\$200.800
3	Alaska Court System	
4	General Fund / Mental Health	79.300
5	*** Total Agency Funding ***	\$79.300
6	***** Total Budget *****	\$114.633,400

7 (SEC. 5 OF THIS ACT BEGINS ON PAGE 13)

1 * Sec. 5 The following appropriation items are for capital projects and grants from
 2 the general fund or other funds as set out in Section 6 of this act by funding
 3 source to the agencies named for the purposes expressed and lapse under AS
 4 37.25.020, unless otherwise noted.

	Appropriation		General	Other
	Allocations	Items	Fund	Funds
5				
6				
7	*****	*****		
8	*****	Department of Administration	*****	
9	*****		*****	
10	Mental Health Capital Amendment -	105,000		105,000
11	Complete Special Care Units in			
12	Sitka and Palmer Pioneer Homes			
13	Dementia Units (ED 99)			
14	*****		*****	
15	*****	Department of Health and Social Services	*****	
16	*****		*****	
17	Mental Health Capital Amendment -	375,000	187,500	187,500
18	Client Data Integration Project			
19	(ED 99)			
20	Mental Health Capital Amendment -	480,000		480,000
21	Hope Cottages Intermediate Care			
22	Facilities (ED 99)			
23	Mental Health Capital Amendment -	300,000		300,000
24	Competitive Grants for Mental			
25	Health Trust Beneficiaries -			
26	Program Facility Modifications			
27	(ED 99)			
28	Mental Health Capital Amendment -	250,000		250,000
29	Competitive Grants for Mental			
30	Health Trust Beneficiaries - ADA			
31	(ED 99)			
32	Mental Health Capital Amendment -	150,000	75,000	75,000
33	Competitive Grants for Mental			
34	Health Trust Beneficiaries -			
35	Equipment (ED 99)			
36	Mental Health Capital Amendment -	1,200,000		1,200,000
37	Beneficiary and Special Needs			
38	Housing Program (ED 99)			

	Appropriation		General	Other
	Allocations	Items	Fund	Funds
1				
2				
3	*****	*****		
4	*****	Department of Natural Resources	*****	
5	*****		*****	
6	Mental Health Capital Amendment -	460,000		460,000
7	Trust Land Office (ED 99)			
8	*****		*****	
9	*****	Department of Transportation/Public Facilities	*****	
10	*****		*****	
11	Mental Health Capital Amendment -	150,000	75,000	75,000
12	Competitive Grants for			
13	Beneficiary Transportation and			
14	Vehicles (ED 99)			
15	* Sec. 6 The following sets out the funding by agency for the appropriations made			
16	in Section 5 of this act.			
17	Department of Administration			
18	Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts		52,500	
19	Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Receipts		52,500	
20	*** Total Funding ***		\$105,000	
21	Department of Health and Social Services			
22	General Fund / Mental Health		262,500	
23	Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts		902,500	
24	Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Receipts		1,590,000	
25	*** Total Funding ***		\$2,755,000	
26	Department of Natural Resources			
27	Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts		460,000	
28	*** Total Funding ***		\$460,000	
29	Department of Transportation/Public Facilities			
30	General Fund / Mental Health		75,000	
31	Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts		75,000	
32	*** Total Funding ***		\$150,000	
33	The following summarizes the funding sources for the appropriations made in Section			
34	5 of this act.			
35	General Fund / Mental Health		337,500	
36	Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts		1,490,000	
37	Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Receipts		1,642,500	
38	***** Total Budget *****		\$3,470,000	

1 * Sec. 7 This act takes effect July 1, 1997.