

State of Alaska FY2002 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Occupational Safety and Health
Component

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Component Mission

To work in partnership with Alaskan employers and workers toward eliminating workplace injuries, illnesses and deaths and to assist employers in complying with state and federal regulations relating to occupational safety and health.

Component Services Provided

- Provide for the prompt elimination or restraint of imminent danger situations and investigate employee complaints, work-related fatalities and catastrophes.
- Complete compliance inspections in accordance with federal mandates, without advance notice, to assess workplace safety and health, and issue citations if necessary; notify employers and employees when an alleged violation has occurred, including the proposed abatement requirements and correction schedule, and appeals process; affirm abatement of hazards, to ensure safety and health in the workplace; and provide for unbiased review of contested violations, penalties or abatement dates by an independent board appointed by the Governor.
- Prepare, adopt, amend, or repeal general and specific safety and health standards governing the conditions of employment in all workplaces to be "as stringent" as those adopted or recognized by the United States Secretary of Labor under the authority of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.
- Protect employees against discharge or discrimination for exercising the rights afforded by the Alaska Occupational Safety and Health (AKOSH) standards through training; inform employees on such issues as how to bring possible violations to the attention of inspectors, the notification process of employees concerning the results of complaint related investigations and their related appeal rights; and employee access to information and notification of exposure to toxic materials or harmful physical agents in their workplace.
- Encourage voluntary compliance by employers and employees in reducing the number of safety and health hazards at their work places through consultative on-site visits.
- Process employer requests for variances from AKOSH standards.
- Compile and disseminate statistical information on program activity for department and state administrators and the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).
- Issue certificates of fitness for validating the qualifications of painters, asbestos abatement workers, and explosive handlers.
- Assist the Department of Revenue, Child Support Enforcement Division, in identifying license applicants who are in arrears on child support payments to comply with federal law.

Component Goals and Strategies

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH IS IN THE FOURTH YEAR OF A FIVE-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN

- 1) REDUCE INJURY AND ILLNESS BY 3% IN THE THREE TARGETED HIGH-HAZARD INDUSTRIES (LOGGING, CONSTRUCTION AND SEAFOOD PROCESSING).
- Increase programmed enforcement inspections in construction, logging and seafood processing by 5%.

- Increase comprehensive visits in construction, logging and seafood processing by 3%.
 - Decrease the Lost Workday rate by 3%.
- 2) REDUCE INJURIES AND ILLNESSES BY 3% IN AT LEAST ONE HIGH-INCIDENT INDUSTRY DETERMINED FROM WORKERS' COMPENSATION DATA (AND NOT INCLUDED IN HIGH-HAZARD INDUSTRIES)
- Increase comprehensive consultation visits using a Special Intervention Program by 3%.
 - Increase programmed inspections in targeted industry by 3%.
 - Increase the number of hazards identified and violations abated from an inspection by 3%.
 - Increase the number of hazards identified and corrected through consultation visits by 3%.
- 3) CHANGE WORKPLACE CULTURE TO INCREASE EMPLOYER AND WORKER AWARENESS OF, COMMITMENT TO, AND INVOLVEMENT IN, SAFETY AND HEALTH.
- Increase public service announcements and notices.
 - Increase student attendance in outreach training sessions by an additional 10%.
 - Increase Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program participation by an additional two employers during the next year.
 - Increase Voluntary Protection Program participation by one additional employer during the next year.
- 4) SECURE PUBLIC CONFIDENCE THROUGH EXCELLENCE IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND DELIVERY OF AKOSH'S PROGRAMS AND SERVICES.
- Continue the development and implementation of the management and information systems necessary to carry out the AKOSH mission and the capacity to measure and analyze AKOSH's performance.
 - Continue to ensure AKOSH staff are adequately trained and knowledgeable, and provide services in a fair and consistent manner.

Key Component Issues for FY2001 – 2002

- Congress developed the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993, requiring Federal OSHA to have a 5-year strategic plan and subsequent annual performance plans from each state. This is a new method for monitoring and evaluating AKOSH performance and we are working toward meeting the agreed-upon objectives in the State's federal fiscal year 2001 Annual Performance Plan and in complying with the 5-year Strategic Plan.

Major Component Accomplishments for FY2000

- Reviewed and approved one employer previously approved at the VPP Merit Level for advancement to the VPP Star level. Reviewed and approved one employer for renewal in the Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program.
- Enforcement staff performed 443 compliance inspections during FY 2000, maintaining FY 99 levels despite the loss of a safety enforcement position.
- Consultation staff continued to provide training, resulting in 85 classes offered and 1,621 employees trained in safety and health issues in FY 2000.

- Consultation staff completed 337 visits in FY 2000, maintaining close to the same level as FY 1999, even though two consultation field positions remained vacant due to insufficient funding.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

Statutory Authorities:

AS 18.60.010-18.60.105

AS 18.63.010-18.63.100

AS 18.31.200-18.31.500

29 CFR 1910 & 1926&1928 (Federal Regulation adopted by reference)

AS 8.052.050

Regulatory Authorities:

8AAC 61.010-8AAC 62.070

40 CFR 763 Appendix C to Subpart E (Federal Regulation adopted by reference)

8 AAC 61.730(a)

8 AAC 61.860(a)

8 AAC 61.640(a)

8 AAC 62.055(a)(2)

8 AAC 61.630(a)(7)

8 AAC 61.670(b)(3)

Occupational Safety and Health Component Financial Summary

All dollars in thousands

	FY2000 Actuals	FY2001 Authorized	FY2002 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	2,264.3	2,350.2	2,402.7
72000 Travel	205.6	161.3	163.3
73000 Contractual	433.8	495.6	499.9
74000 Supplies	41.7	58.3	58.8
75000 Equipment	5.4	5.6	9.1
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	2,950.8	3,071.0	3,133.8
Funding Sources:			
1002 Federal Receipts	1,732.2	1,815.7	1,852.3
1003 General Fund Match	1,131.1	631.5	364.2
1005 General Fund/Program Receipts	77.7	86.7	88.1
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	9.8	13.6	13.6
1053 Investment Loss Trust Fund	0.0	23.5	0.0
1157 Workers Safety and Compensation Administration Account	0.0	500.0	815.6
Funding Totals	2,950.8	3,071.0	3,133.8

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2000 Actuals	FY2001 Authorized	FY2001 Cash Estimate	FY2002 Governor	FY2003 Forecast
Unrestricted Revenues						
Investment Loss Trust Fund	51393	0.0	23.5	23.5	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Fund	68515	763.7	280.4	280.4	280.5	280.5
Unrestricted Total		763.7	303.9	303.9	280.5	280.5
Restricted Revenues						
Federal Receipts	51010	1,732.2	1,815.7	1,815.7	1,852.3	1,857.2
Interagency Receipts	51015	9.8	13.6	13.6	13.6	13.6
General Fund Program Receipts	51060	77.7	86.7	86.7	88.1	87.8
Workers Safety & Compensation Admin	51078	0.0	500.0	500.0	815.6	1,181.6
Restricted Total		1,819.7	2,416.0	2,416.0	2,769.6	3,140.2
Total Estimated Revenues		2,583.4	2,719.9	2,719.9	3,050.1	3,420.7

Occupational Safety and Health**Proposed Changes in Levels of Service for FY2002**

As part of the overall five-year strategic plan, continue to expand the new consultative special intervention program for high-incident-rate employers. In addition, the section will continue to expand marketing efforts for the outreach-training program through public service announcements, providing new information, attending public meetings, increased publication of class schedules, and conducting classes statewide.

Summary of Component Budget Changes**From FY2001 Authorized to FY2002 Governor***All dollars in thousands*

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2001 Authorized	741.7	1,815.7	513.6	3,071.0
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-Fund Source change from GFM to new special fund (HB 378)	-315.6	0.0	315.6	0.0
-Year 2 Labor Costs - Net Change from FY2001	-1.5	-4.9	0.0	-6.4
Proposed budget increases:				
-Establish OSH Research Analyst III position	27.7	41.5	0.0	69.2
FY2002 Governor	452.3	1,852.3	829.2	3,133.8

Occupational Safety and Health**Personal Services Information**

Authorized Positions			Personal Services Costs	
	FY2001 Authorized	FY2002 Governor		
Full-time	36	37	Annual Salaries	1,839,679
Part-time	0	0	COLA	35,384
Nonpermanent	0	0	Premium Pay	42,762
			Annual Benefits	615,155
			<i>Less 5.14% Vacancy Factor</i>	(130,280)
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
Totals	36	37	Total Personal Services	2,402,700

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Administrative Assistant	0	0	1	0	1
Administrative Clerk II	2	0	0	0	2
Administrative Clerk III	2	0	0	0	2
Administrative Manager I	1	0	0	0	1
Administrative Manager III	0	0	1	0	1
Administrative Supervisor	1	0	0	0	1
Asst Chief DOSH	2	0	0	0	2
Chief, OS&H	1	0	0	0	1
Division Director	0	0	1	0	1
Industrial Hygienist	7	1	1	0	9
Micro/Network Tech II	1	0	0	0	1
Occ Sfty Comp Off Wg IA	7	2	2	2	13
Research Analyst III	1	0	0	0	1
Secretary	0	0	1	0	1
Totals	25	3	7	2	37