

**Estimate of Costs to the State of Alaska for Implementation of the Voter Initiative:
The Alaska Government Accountability Act (17AKGA)**

Cost Summary

Agency	Cost
Office of the Lieutenant Governor	\$9,000
Office of the Lieutenant Governor, Division of Elections	\$49,685
TOTAL	\$58,685

Estimate of Costs to State Agencies to Implement the Ballot Initiative

This initiative would not result in significant costs to any State agency.

Estimate of Costs to the Office of the Lieutenant Governor and the Division of Elections for the Ballot Initiative

As required by AS 15.45.090(a)(3), the Alaska Office of the Lieutenant Governor has prepared the following statement of minimum costs associated with the proposed ballot initiative. If approved, the initiative would take effect 90 days following election certification.

Office of the Lieutenant Governor

Assuming the initiative is placed on the ballot, the minimum cost to conduct public hearings concerning the initiative in two communities in each of four judicial districts is estimated to be \$9,000.

Estimate by Category

Travel	\$ 9,000
TOTAL	\$ 9,000

Travel: Estimated travel expenses include round-trip air transportation, per diem and other associated travel costs for the Lieutenant Governor and staff to travel to seven communities in Alaska. It is assumed one of the hearings would be in Anchorage which would not involve travel costs.

Division of Elections

As required by AS 15.45.090(a)(3), the Division of Elections has prepared the following statement of costs to implement the proposed ballot initiative.

The minimum cost to the Division of Elections associated with certification of the initiative application and review of the initiative petition, excluding legal costs to the state and the costs to the state of any challenge to the validity of the petition, is estimated to be \$49,685.

Estimate by Category

Personal Services	\$48,385
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<u>Printing Services</u>	<u>\$1,300</u>
TOTAL	\$49,685

Personal Services: Six temporary employees to review signatures for 2,520 hours.
Estimated cost: \$30,618

Certification of the initiative application and review of the initiative petition estimated for 546 hours
Estimated cost: \$17,767

Printing Services: Expenses associated with certification of the initiative application and review of initiative petition. Printing of voter booklets: \$1,300