

21AKTR - Statement of Costs

Estimate of Costs to the State of Alaska for Implementation of the Voter Initiative 21AKTR: The Alaska Tribal Recognition Act

Estimate of Costs to the Executive Branch to Implement the Ballot Initiative

Multi Agency Cost Summary

Agency	Cost
Office of the Lieutenant Governor	\$9,000
Office of the Lieutenant Governor, Division of Elections	\$84,721
TOTAL	\$93,721

As required by AS 15.45.090(a)(4), the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has prepared the following statement of costs to implement the proposed ballot initiative. If approved, the initiative would take effect 90 days following election certification. This statement encompasses anticipated fiscal impact to the 13 executive branch agencies and the Office of the Governor. The costs that would be incurred by the Lieutenant Governor’s Office and the Division of Elections, related to holding hearings and placing the initiative on the ballot, are accounted for separately.

The Office of Management and Budget does not anticipate any costs associated with the implementation of the proposed ballot initiative to executive branch agencies outside of direct costs related the initiative process within the Office of the Lieutenant Governor and Division of Elections described below.

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

Office of the Lieutenant Governor

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.

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 \$84,721.

Estimate by Category

Personal Services	\$44,555
Printing Services	\$1,340
Language Assistance	\$38,826
TOTAL	\$84,721

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Personal Services: Six temporary employees to review signatures for 2,520 hours.
Estimated cost: \$44,555.

Printing Services: Printing service expenses associated with certification of the initiative application and review of initiative petition.
Printing of voter booklets: \$1,340.

Language Assistance: Translating the ballot measure language is needed for audio and sample ballots, Official Election Pamphlet pro statement, Official Election Pamphlet con statement, and Official Election Pamphlet neutral summary into 14 languages required by the Toyukak Settlement and Section 203 of the Federal Voting Rights Act. Estimated cost: \$38,826.