

**State of Alaska
FY2003 Governor's Operating Budget**

**Department of Law
Oil & Gas Legal Services
Component Budget Summary**

Component: Oil & Gas Legal Services

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Component Mission

Mission statement appears at the department summary and BRU level.

Component Services Provided

The legislature first identified the Oil and Gas Legal Services component of the Oil and Gas Litigation and Legal Services BRU as a separate allocation in FY 1999. Prior to that, the services covered by the component were an undifferentiated part of the Oil and Gas Litigation BRU. The component covers services performed by attorneys and staff in the Oil, Gas, and Mining section of the Department of Law that fall within one or more of the following categories:

- A. General advice to agencies on matters in which no litigation is anticipated.
- B. Assistance to agencies in drafting, editing, or reviewing legislation or regulations in a non-litigation context.
- C. Assistance to agencies in negotiating unit agreements or other contracts.

These activities conserve state revenues by clarifying processes and policies to avoid later disputes, which may result in litigation. As discussed in the Oil and Gas Litigation and Legal Services BRU Issues section, the state has been improving its in-house auditing and litigation capabilities.

The services provided under this component are described in more detail in the Oil and Gas Litigation and Legal Services BRU.

Component Goals and Strategies

The goals and strategies under this component are described in the Oil and Gas Litigation and Legal Services BRU.

Key Component Issues for FY2002 – 2003

The key issues under this component are described in the Oil and Gas Litigation and Legal Services BRU.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2001

The major accomplishments under this component are described in the Oil and Gas Litigation and Legal Services BRU.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 44.23.020

Oil & Gas Legal Services
Component Financial Summary

All dollars in thousands

	FY2001 Actuals	FY2002 Authorized	FY2003 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0
73000 Contractual	417.1	445.7	295.7
74000 Supplies	0.0	0.0	0.0
75000 Equipment	0.0	0.0	0.0
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	417.1	445.7	295.7
Funding Sources:			
1004 General Fund Receipts	417.1	445.7	295.7
Funding Totals	417.1	445.7	295.7

Oil & Gas Legal Services
Proposed Changes in Levels of Service for FY2003

None.

Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2002 Authorized to FY2003 Governor

All dollars in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2002 Authorized	445.7	0.0	0.0	445.7
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-Reduce funding for Gasline Legal Services Sec 8(b) CH 3 SLA 01 P 3 L 21 (HB 117)	-150.0	0.0	0.0	-150.0
FY2003 Governor	295.7	0.0	0.0	295.7