Vocational Rehabilitation Accounting Interface with AKSAS

FY2008 Request:	**$250,000**
Reference No:	**45284**

AP/AL: Appropriation

Category: General Government

Location: Statewide

House District: Statewide (HD 1-40)

Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2008 - 06/30/2010

Project Type: Information Systems

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Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

This project will provide the software and programming to electronically transfer financial data between the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation's Management Information System and the state accounting system. The system will expedite payment to vendors and reduce the workload of department staff.

Funding:	FY2008	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	Total
Gen Fund	$250,000						$250,000
Total:	$250,000	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$250,000

☐ State Match Required ☑ One-Time Project ☐ Phased - new ☐ Phased - underway ☐ On-Going

0% = Minimum State Match % Required ☐ Amendment ☐ Mental Health Bill

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	Amount	Staff
Project Development:	250,000	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	250,000	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

No previous funding has been provided for this project.

Project Description/Justification:

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1. Has this project been previously approved?

   No

2. What is the purpose of the project?

   This project will provide for an interface between the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation's Management Information System, the Accessible Web-based Activity and Reporting Environment (AWARE) and the Alaska State Accounting System (AKSAS) thus eliminating the need to key in payment requests in both systems. The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation processes an average of 15,000 payment requests annually. We estimate approximately 50% of an Accounting Technician's time is spent keying in this information, eliminating this task will free staff up for other

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necessary tasks. Also implementation of this project will afford the Division the opportunity to take advantage of the available technology as the State continues to move forward with P-cards and electronic payments.

Project cost:	Capital:			Annual O&M costs or savings
	Prior Years	**FY 2008**	**FY 2009**	
General Funds		250,000		
General Fund Match				
General Fund Program Receipts				
I/A Receipts (dept. and fund source)				
Other Funds (name and fund number)				
Federal Funds				
Total		250,000		

3. Is this a new systems development project?   No.

    Upgrade or enhancement to existing department capabilities?

     This is an enhancement to the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation's Management information System.

4. Specifically, what hardware, software, consulting services, or other items will be purchased with this expenditure? (Include a line item breakdown.)

     Contractual programming services $250,000.

5. How will service to the public measurably improve if this project is funded?

     The division purchases services and goods from vendors, this financial interface will reduce the time it takes for vendors to receive payment from the State.

6. Does project affect the way in which other public agencies will conduct their business?   No.

7. What are the potential out-year cost implications if this project is approved? (Bandwidth requirements, etc.)   None.

8. What will happen if the project is not approved?

     Vendor payments will continue to be manually entered in both AKSAS and AWARE.