

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
FY15 - Increment/ Decrement Status**

Governor's Budget Items Approved as Requested

Item #	Appropriation / Allocation	Description	Amount/Fund Source	FY15 CC Book Comment	GF Dec?	LFD Notes/Questions?	Agency Comments
1	Business Partnerships/ Business Services	Alaska Youth First Decrement IncOTI of \$1.4 million	Total: (\$991.7) UGF (\$2,391.7) UGF \$1,400.0 UGF IncOTI	The Alaska Youth First Program is a state funded program that serves youth ages 17 to 24 with career awareness and information, employability skills training, paid and non-paid work experience, applied academic training, and educator externships. In FY14, this program was funded with \$2,391.7 of UGF and the department issued 18 grants that targeted 17,437 participants. The legislature replaced base funding of \$2,391.7 (the entire amount of funding for the Alaska Youth Initiative program) with a one-time appropriation of \$1.4 million UGF. This results in a 42% decrease to this program.		Impact to the program?	The reduction in base funding resulted in the termination of the Alaska Youth First Program. The one-time appropriation was used to pilot the Compass Alaska program. Compass Alaska focuses on providing Alaska youth with employability skills and long-term employment or training-program placement, resulting in measurable outcomes. Youth development is important to transition in-school youth to the workplace or postsecondary training/education.
2	Business Partnerships/ Business Services and Construction Academy Training	Transfer \$150.0 UGF from Business Services to the Construction Academy for an Advanced Pipeline Welding Class	(\$150.0) UGF \$150.0 UGF	In FY14, the UGF in Business Services was allocated for the Alaska Youth First Grants (\$2,391.7) and Oil & Gas training grants (\$435.0). In FY15, the legislature reduced the Alaska Youth First Program by 42%, and transferred \$150.0 of the \$435.0 UGF funding for Oil & Gas training grants from Business Services to the Construction Academy to fund an Advanced Pipeline Welding class.		Was this funding sufficient to fund the Advanced Pipeline Welding class? Did the class occur? How many students have signed up for the class?	The funds were sufficient for the Fairbanks Pipeline Training Center to offer Advanced Pipeline Welding classes. The training is comprised of a series of welding classes with the final class ending in May. The first class participation was 10 and it is estimated that 60 participants will be served by the end of May when the final class completes.