CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 155(JUD)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Offered: 3/3/05
Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES SAMUELS, Wilson, McGuire, Holm, LeDoux, Hawker, Harris, Anderson, Croft, Seaton, Gara, Gruenberg, Gardner, Chenault, Stoltze, Berkowitz, Elkins, Dahlstrom, Rokeberg

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

"An Act relating to funding for youth courts; and relating to separately accounting for fines imposed on and collected from defendants."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

* Section 1. AS 12.55.035 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(g) Fines imposed and collected under this section shall be separately accounted for under AS 37.05.142.

* Sec. 2. AS 47.12 is amended by adding a new section to article 3 to read:

Sec. 47.12.410. Funding for youth courts. The legislature may appropriate 25 percent of the fines imposed under AS 12.55.035 and collected and separately accounted for by the state under AS 37.05.142 to the department for distribution to youth courts established and operating under AS 47.12.400. Nothing in this section creates a dedicated fund.

* Sec. 3. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:
TRANSITION. Notwithstanding the requirements of AS 12.55.035(g), enacted by sec. 1 of this Act, and AS 47.12.410, enacted by sec. 2 of this Act, that fines collected under AS 12.55.035 be accounted for separately, the Alaska Court System shall deposit money collected under AS 12.55.035 in the general fund and shall, by February 1 of each year, provide to the Department of Administration, to the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee, and to each house of the legislature an estimate of the money collected under AS 12.55.035 for that fiscal year.

* Sec. 4. Section 3 of this Act is repealed on the date that the Alaska Court System has the capability to separately track and account electronically for money collected under AS 12.55.035. The executive director of the Alaska Court System shall notify the lieutenant governor and the revisor of statutes when the electronic capability described in this section has been obtained.