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Identifier: CSSB64-AJC-2-14-14
Title: OMNIBUS CRIME/CORRECTIONS BILL
Sponsor: JUDICIARY
Requester: Senate Judiciary Committee

Department: Alaska Court System
Appropriation: Judicial Council
Allocation: Judicial Council
OMB Component Number: 771

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2015 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2015 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2015	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Personal Services	247.9		247.9	247.9	247.9	247.9	
Travel	25.0		25.0	25.0	25.0	25.0	
Services	43.0		43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0	
Commodities	5.0		5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	320.9	0.0	320.9	320.9	320.9	320.9	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1004 Gen Fund	320.9		320.9	320.9	320.9	320.9	
Total	320.9	0.0	320.9	320.9	320.9	320.9	0.0

Positions

Full-time	3.0		3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues							
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2014) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2015) cost: 0.0 (separate capital appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? No
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

Updated for 2nd session to accurately reflect FY15 and out-year costs.

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Analysis

Section 30 of CSSB 64 creates a criminal justice commission. The commission will evaluate the effects of sentencing laws and practices, report annually to the governor and legislature, and make recommendations for improvements. Sections 24 and 30 require the Alaska Judicial Council to provide staff and administrative support to the criminal justice commission. The commission will meet regularly. The commission's work will require substantial research, including data collection and analysis.

To provide staff and administrative support to the commission and to do the necessary research, the Council will need to hire a full-time research analyst at range 18A, a staff attorney to work 30 hours per week at range 20A, and a full-time secretary at range 11. The Council will need to rent additional office space and purchase supplies and equipment. The Council will require a travel budget to enable commission members to attend an estimated four meetings a year, and to facilitate the commission's research.

Alaska had a sentencing commission for three years in the early 1990's. The Alaska Judicial Council staffed the commission. The Council's average budget to staff the commission for those three years, when adjusted for inflation, was \$341.1. This fiscal note anticipates total costs in the first year to be \$320.9 based on the same level of staffing that the Council used for the prior commission.