

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
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Identifier: HB011SS-DHSS-FLSW-03-25-15
 Title: NO INTERNET ACCESS TO SOME CRIM. CASES
 Sponsor: WILSON
 Requester: House Judiciary Committee

Department: Department of Health and Social Services
 Appropriation: Children's Services
 Allocation: Front Line Social Workers
 OMB Component Number: 2305

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2016 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2016 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
			FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services								
Travel								
Services								
Commodities								
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None								
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Positions

Full-time								
Part-time								
Temporary								

Change in Revenues								
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2015) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)
 (discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2016) 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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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:

This fiscal note differs from the previous version because the Department has gathered new information from the sponsor and the Alaska Court System. Analysis of the impact of this bill with the addition of new, more comprehensive information leads to a zero fiscal note.

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Agency:	Health & Social Services		

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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This bill would remove from Courtview criminal cases in which all charges have been either acquitted and/or dismissed, in their entirety, 60 days after disposition.

Currently, all records this bill would remove are available online in the publicly accessible database, CourtView. This bill would protect privacy while maintaining due process rights for the public, removing from Courtview records pertaining to criminal charges in which all charges are dismissed and/or acquitted.

These records would still be considered public and accessible at the courthouse. Continued access to such records is important for employees who are responsible for the health, safety, welfare, or placement of a child, a person with a physical or intellectual disability or a person with mental illness. This historical information, which is potentially indicative of patterns of safety concerns, is important to both case worker safety and emergency placement safety decisions.

This bill could also impact the timeliness of background checks if there are discrepancies between the Alaska Public Safety Information Network criminal history information and Courtview information. If discrepancies arise, applicants for employment subject to background checks through Health Care Services will be required to provide court documents verifying conditions around the dismissal, or Health Care Services Background Check staff would have to obtain the court records. This could create delays or barriers to employment.