

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2022 Legislative Session

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Identifier: LL0029-1-DOA-PDA-2-3-22
Title: CRIME OF SEX/HUMAN TRAFFICKING
Sponsor: RLS BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR
Requester: Governor

Department: Department of Administration
Appropriation: Legal and Advocacy Services
Allocation: Public Defender Agency
OMB Component Number: 1631

Expenditures/Revenues

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

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2023 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2023 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2023	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Personal Services	70.2		70.2	70.2	70.2	70.2	70.2
Travel	2.6		2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6
Services	19.1		19.1	19.1	19.1	19.1	19.1
Commodities	1.1		1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	93.0	0.0	93.0	93.0	93.0	93.0	93.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	93.0		93.0	93.0	93.0	93.0	93.0
Total	93.0	0.0	93.0	93.0	93.0	93.0	93.0

Positions

Full-time	1.0		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2022) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2023) cost: 0.0 (separate capital appropriation required)

Does the bill create or modify a new fund or account? No
(Supplemental/Capital/New Fund - 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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? N/A

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Not applicable, initial version.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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The bill modifies the definition of trafficking, creating new crimes and increasing the penalties for sex/human trafficking. The bill also removes the requirement of corroborating evidence in certain circumstances for these crimes. The bill also increases sex offender registration requirements for certain offenses.

These changes create new crimes and elevate the seriousness and penalties of existing crimes. Although many serious trafficking cases are prosecuted at the federal level, the Public Defender Agency cannot absorb additional increases in workload with current staffing. Workloads may increase with increased sex offender registration requirements as those who fail to register can be charged for not registering. Additionally, more serious cases with increased penalties require additional litigation throughout all stages of the process, but particularly increase jury trials, contested sentencing hearings, and post-conviction litigation.

This legislation will require additional administrative staff to manage the increased discovery and client contact related to litigation for sex trafficking cases and the increased registration requirement. The Agency will need one additional Law Office Assistant 1 (range 11) in the Anchorage office.