

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2026 Legislative Session

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Identifier: HB242-LAW-CJL-03-06-27
 Title: SEXUAL ASSAULT BY HEALTH CARE WORKER
 Sponsor: HANNAN
 Requester: (H) Health & Social Services

Department: Department of Law
 Appropriation: Criminal Division
 Allocation: Criminal Justice Litigation
 OMB Component Number: 2202

Expenditures/Revenues

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

	FY2027	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2027 Request	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2027	FY 2027						
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

None								
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2026) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2027) 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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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

STATE OF ALASKA
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The crimes of sexual assault in the first and second degree prohibit a health care worker from engaging in sexual penetration or contact with a person during the course of professional treatment if the person is unaware that a sexual act is being committed. This bill removes the requirement that the victim be unaware of the sexual act. The amendments made in the bill prohibit a health care worker from engaging in sexual penetration or contact with a person during the course of professional treatment. Notably, acts performed for the purpose of administering a recognized and lawful form of treatment that is reasonably adapted to promoting the physical or mental health of the person being treated are exempted from this statute and would not be considered sexual assault.

Eliminating the requirement that the victim be unaware that a sexual act is being committed may result in additional prosecutions for sexual assault in the first and second degree. However, at this time, the Criminal Division is unable to estimate how many additional cases may be referred and, therefore, submits a zero fiscal note. The Criminal Division will continue to monitor the impacts of this legislation to determine whether additional resources may be needed in the future.