

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2026 Legislative Session

Bill Version:	CSHB 239(JUD)
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Identifier: HB239-DOA-PDA-2-6-26  
 Title: CRIM. NEG. HOMICIDE; FAILURE TO ASSIST  
 Sponsor: KOPP  
 Requester: (H) Judiciary

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)

	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
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>FY 2027</b>	<b>FY 2027</b>	<b>FY 2027</b>	<b>FY 2028</b>	<b>FY 2029</b>	<b>FY 2030</b>	<b>FY 2031</b>	<b>FY 2032</b>
Personal Services								
Travel								
Services								
Commodities								
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
<b>Total Operating</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

**Fund Source (Operating Only)**

None								
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

**Positions**

Full-time								
Part-time								
Temporary								

**Change in Revenues**

None								
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

**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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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

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House Bill 239 enhances penalties for criminally negligent homicide by creating a class A felony category when the offender causes a death while operating a motor vehicle and knowingly fails to stop and render assistance.

The Public Defender Agency anticipates that increased penalties will elevate the complexity and workload of cases involving criminally negligent homicide. However, the agency cannot predict the extent of this impact and therefore submits a zero fiscal note at this time. The agency will continue to monitor the effects of this legislation and assess whether additional resources may be needed in the future.