

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2026 Legislative Session

Bill Version: HB 239
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Identifier: HB239SCSCS(JUD)-DPS-AST-4-20-26
Title: CRIM. NEG. HOMICIDE; FAILURE TO ASSIST
Sponsor: KOPP
Requester: (S) Judiciary

Department: Department of Public Safety
Appropriation: Alaska State Troopers
Allocation: Alaska State Trooper Detachments
OMB Component Number: 2325

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 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

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None							
Total	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

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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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

N/A, Initial Version.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This version of HB 239 incorporates several previously introduced criminal justice measures that affect the Alaska State Troopers, including HB 239 relating to criminally negligent homicide and failure to assist, HB 242 relating to sexual assault by a health care worker, SB 100 relating to organized theft, medical records, and mail theft, and SB 17 relating to counterfeit or nonfunctioning airbags.

The HB 239 provisions increase criminal penalties for criminally negligent homicide when the offense occurs during the operation of a motor vehicle and the operator knowingly fails to stop and render aid. The bill revises sentencing and related provisions associated with failure to assist. The Alaska State Troopers already investigate fatal motor vehicle crashes and offenses involving failure to stop and render aid under existing statutory authority. The bill does not create new enforcement responsibilities, investigative requirements, or programmatic duties for the department.

The HB 242 provisions amend Alaska's sexual assault statutes to clarify that a health care worker commits sexual assault when engaging in sexual penetration or sexual contact with a person during the course of professional treatment. The department will continue to investigate these allegations under existing procedures and statutory authority. No additional workload or cost is anticipated.

The SB 100 provisions expand existing theft statutes, including provisions related to organized theft and mail theft. The Alaska State Troopers already investigate theft-related offenses under existing statutory authority. These provisions may result in additional cases; however, enforcement and investigation fall within current responsibilities and can be absorbed within existing resources.

The SB 17 provisions establish the crime of airbag fraud, making it illegal to knowingly sell, install, or manufacture counterfeit, nonfunctioning, or noncompliant airbags. Enforcement of fraud and vehicle-related crimes already falls within the existing responsibilities of the Alaska State Troopers. These provisions can be incorporated into routine legal updates and existing investigative practices without additional cost.

The department does not anticipate an increase in workload, staffing, or operating costs as a result of this legislation.