Fiscal Note State of Alaska Bill Version: HB 2 2025 Legislative Session Fiscal Note Number: () Publish Date: Identifier: Department: Department of Law HB002-LAW-CJL-03-07-25 Title: **DUI DIVERSION PROGRAM** Appropriation: Criminal Division **PRAX** Criminal Justice Litigation Sponsor: Allocation: Requester: (H) State Affairs OMB Component Number: 2202 Expenditures/Revenues Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars) Included in FY2026 Governor's **Out-Year Cost Estimates** FY2026 Appropriation Requested Request **OPERATING EXPENDITURES** FY 2027 FY 2029 FY 2030 FY 2026 FY 2028 FY 2031 FY 2026 Personal Services Travel Services Commodities Capital Outlay **Grants & Benefits** Miscellaneous 0.0 **Total Operating** 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 (FY2025) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required) Estimated CAPITAL (FY2026) 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? N/A If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Not applicable, initial version.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This bill codifies a diversion program for first time offenders of driving while under the influence (DUI). Under the bill, a person would be told of the opportunity to participate in a diversion program by the court at arraignment. If the person petitioned to participate in the diversion program they would plead guilty to the offense, however, the plea would not be entered but held in abeyance while the person participates in the program. Once the defendant has petitioned to participate in the program the prosecution may object, but otherwise the decision on whether to allow the person to participate rests with the court. If the person successfully completes the diversion program the charges would be dismissed by the court.
If a person petitions to participate the prosecutor will need to evaluate the person's criminal history and conduct alleged in the case and determine whether the State should object to the petition. Additionally, the prosecutor will need to monitor the person's participation in the program and determine whether to file a petition to remove the person from the program. It is unclear how many eligible persons will petition to participate in the diversion program. However, the Criminal Division believes that it can absorb any additional work generated by the diversion program within its existing budget.

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