

Fiscal Note

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2025 Legislative Session

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Identifier: HB101-LAW-CJL-02-14-25
 Title: CRIMES AGAINST MINORS
 Sponsor: GRAY
 Requester: (H)Judiciary

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)

	FY2026 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2026 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
			FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services	2,373.6		2,373.6	2,373.6	2,373.6	2,373.6	2,373.6	2,373.6
Travel	63.0		63.0	63.0	63.0	63.0	63.0	63.0
Services	920.0		920.0	920.0	920.0	920.0	920.0	920.0
Commodities	70.0		35.0	35.0	35.0	35.0	35.0	35.0
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
Total Operating	3,426.6	0.0	3,391.6	3,391.6	3,391.6	3,391.6	3,391.6	3,391.6

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	3,426.6		3,391.6	3,391.6	3,391.6	3,391.6	3,391.6	3,391.6
Total	3,426.6	0.0	3,391.6	3,391.6	3,391.6	3,391.6	3,391.6	3,391.6

Positions

Full-time	14.0		14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues

None							
Total	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? 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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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
2025 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**Analysis**

This bill amends various crimes relating to minors such as murder, enticement of a minor, sexual abuse of a minor and distribution of indecent material to minors to increase the age of the child victim to 18 years of age. This increase in age will capture additional conduct by broadening the scope of existing crimes. Because this is a significant change in the law, the amendments in this bill will likely result in additional case referrals, additional cases filed, and an increased need for training.

Between FY 2019 and FY 2023, the Criminal Division received an average of 258 case referrals per year for cases involving the sexual abuse of a minor. Because this is a significant change in the law and encompasses more crimes than just sexual abuse of a minor, it is assumed that the amendments in this bill will likely result in at least an additional 120 case referrals and additional cases filed regarding sexual abuse of a minor as well as other offenses amended by this bill. In addition to an increase in case referrals, the Criminal Division will need to develop training and create practice materials for prosecutors and law enforcement across the state.

In order to implement these amendments, the Criminal Division will need to add one attorney and one support staff in the Appeals section and four additional prosecutors and eight associated support staff across the state to handle the expected increase in cases. The prosecutors will be placed in the offices that receive the highest number of referrals for sexual abuse of a minor, the Office of Special Prosecution to assist with statewide case coverage and in: Anchorage, Palmer and Bethel. The remaining support staff will be placed in Anchorage, Palmer, and Bethel as well as in select offices around the state to assist with the increased workload.

Year 1 Estimate - all amounts in thousandsPersonal Services

Three Attorney 5, range 25, Anchorage at \$256.2 each annually
 Two Paralegal 2, range 16, Anchorage at \$101.4 each annually
 One Law Office Assistant 2, range 13, Anchorage at \$86.3 annually
 One Paralegal 2, range 16, Fairbanks at \$103.9 annually
 One Attorney 5, range 25, Palmer at \$256.2 annually
 One Paralegal 2, range 16, Palmer at \$101.4 annually
 One Paralegal 2, range 16, Kenai at \$101.4 annually
 One Attorney 5, range 25, Bethel at \$367.6 annually
 One Paralegal 2, range 16, Bethel at \$142.6 annually
 One Paralegal 2, range 16, Nome at \$131.9 annually
 One Law Office Assistant 2, range 13, Nome at \$111.1 annually

Travel

Travel is estimated at \$63.0 per year total

Services

Services are estimated at \$920.0 annually for costs such as office space, telephones, core service charges, litigation costs, training, and related expenses

Commodities

Supplies are estimated at \$70.0 in the first year to accommodate purchases for the new staff

Year 2 EstimateCommodities

Supplies are estimated at \$35.0 per year total to reflect continuing costs after one-time purchases