

Fiscal Note

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Identifier: HB031-DPS-LAB-01-28-17
Title: SEXUAL ASSAULT EXAMINATION KITS
Sponsor: TARR
Requester: (H) STA

Department: Department of Public Safety
Appropriation: Statewide Support
Allocation: Laboratory Services
OMB Component Number: 527

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2018 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2018 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2018	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
Personal Services	107.9		107.9	107.9	107.9	107.9	107.9
Travel							
Services	96.9		96.9	96.9	96.9	96.9	96.9
Commodities	60.0		60.0	60.0	60.0	60.0	60.0
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	264.8	0.0	264.8	264.8	264.8	264.8	264.8

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1005 GF/Prgm (DGF)	264.8		264.8	264.8	264.8	264.8	264.8
Total	264.8	0.0	264.8	264.8	264.8	264.8	264.8

Positions

Full-time	1.0		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2017) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2018) cost: 0.0 (separate capital appropriation required)
(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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

Not applicable, initial version.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This legislation amends AS 44.41 by adding a new section requiring the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to develop for use by all law enforcement in the state a tracking system for sexual assault examination kits, and a protocol for the collection and processing of sexual assault examination kits.

DPS has identified the following costs for the Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory to effectively implement these new requirements:

For the tracking system, DPS has identified a software solution that provides both tracking and reporting capabilities for sexual assault examination kits throughout their life cycle from distribution to reporting results of analysis. The annual cost of this software is \$96,900.

DPS assumes the protocol for processing of sexual assault kits would require the analysis of every kit. This is estimated to result in a 20 percent increase - 70 requests per year - in the number of kits needing analysis. To address this increase, one additional Forensic Scientist III position would be needed as well as \$60,000 in reagents/consumables associated with analysis.

This legislation also requires DPS to prepare and transmit a report to the legislature that contains, among other things, a plan for addressing the backlog of untested sexual assault kits (approximately 3,000). An additional amount of funding would be needed to timely address the analysis of backlogged untested sexual assault kits through outsourcing at a cost of \$1,500 per kit. These costs are not included in this analysis.