

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2023 Legislative Session

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Identifier: 0029-LAW-CJL-01-17-23
Title: CRIME OF SEX/HUMAN TRAFFICKING
Sponsor: RLS BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR
Requester: Governor

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)

	FY2024 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2024 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2024	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
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 (FY2023) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2024) 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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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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Analysis

The bill restructures the human trafficking and sex trafficking statutes to modernize the language and increase the classification on these offenses. Those who use force or traffic a person under the age of 20 will be guilty of sex trafficking in the first degree which would be an unclassified sex felony. Sex trafficking and human trafficking in the second degree would be a class A felony and sex trafficking and human trafficking in the third degree would be a class B or C felony depending on the amount of resources used to assist in the trafficking. Additionally, sex trafficking in the first and second degrees would be a sex offense subject to the increased penalties for sex offenses and require registration as a sex offender. Sex trafficking in the third degree would be sentenced as a sex offense but would not require registration. The legislation also establishes the new crime of "patron of a victim of sex trafficking" which will be a class C sex felony if the victim is an adult and a class B sex felony if the victim is under the age of 18.

The bill also establishes a mechanism by which a person who has been convicted of prostitution under AS 11.66.100 or drug possession under AS 11.71.050 and 11.71.060 can get that conviction vacated if they were a victim of sex trafficking at the time of the offense.

The Department of Law does not anticipate a fiscal impact from this legislation.