

# **SB 28 Workplace Violence Protective Orders**

Fiscal Note Analysis

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# Summary of Fiscal Notes

JUDICIARY & DEPARTMENT OF LAW

\$0

no personnel

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

\$28,000 one time

no personnel

PUBLIC DEFENDER AGENCY  
& OFFICE OF PUBLIC ADVOCACY

\$555,900 annual

three personnel

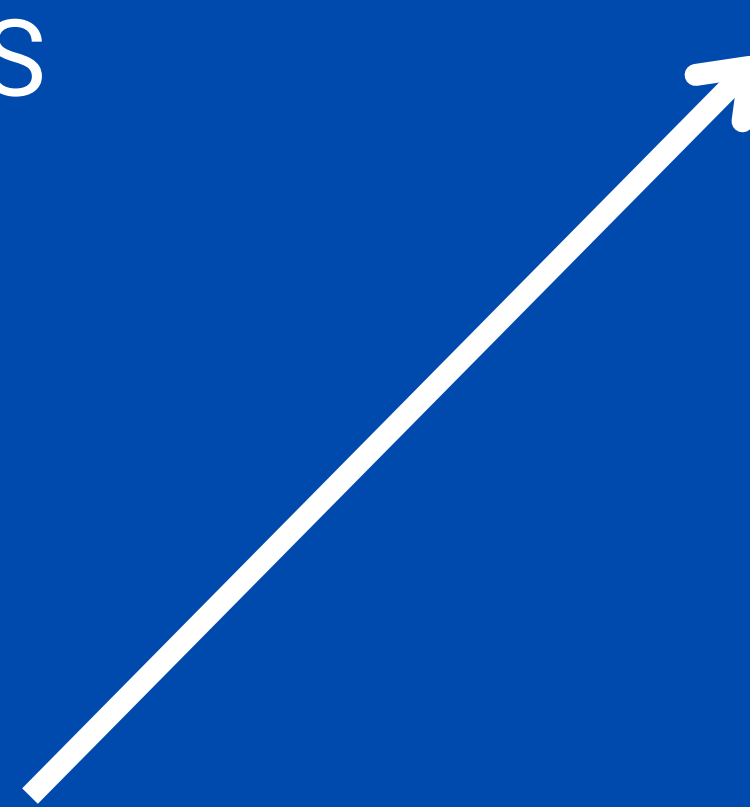
# Workplace violence protective orders are modeled on domestic violence protective orders.

In 2023, fewer than 4% of DVPO petitions resulted in criminal cases.

3,792 DVPO PETITIONS



4% resulted in criminal charges due to violation of DVPO



147 DVPO CRIMINAL CASES



>90% misdemeanor cases have court appointed representation (PDA & OPA)

# How many WVPO petitions do we expect in Alaska?

**Comparative Analysis: Utah passed a WVPO statute in 2023.**

## Utah HB 324

2022 Population: 3,380,800

Expected # of WVPO's: 50

Expected # of Misdemeanors: 8

Estimated Ongoing Expenditures:

**\$42,100\***

\*includes costs to city and country courts

## Alaska SB 28

2022 Population: 733,581

Expected # of WVPO's: unknown

Expected # of Misdemeanors:

**unknown**

Estimated Ongoing Expenditures:

**\$559,900**

# Extrapolating Utah Estimates

★ Alaska's population is 22% of Utah's but the AK Department of Administration fiscal notes anticipate expenses that are 13 times higher than the expenses anticipated in Utah.

★ Utah's anticipated ratio of WVPO's to population is 1 WVPO petition granted per 67,616 people. Based on Alaska's population and Utah's estimate, we would expect to see 11 WVPO petitions granted annually.

★ Utah estimated that 8 out of 50, or 16% of WVPO petitions would be violated and result in criminal cases, compared to 4% of DVPO petitions in Alaska. If Alaska's DVPO violation rates held true for Utah's WVPOs, they would expect 2 criminal cases annually.