

FISCAL NOTE

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Revision Date _____	Dept. Affected <u>Alaska Court System</u>
Title <u>Misprision of Felony</u>	BRU <u>Alaska Court System</u>
Sponsor <u>Sen. Pearce</u>	Component <u>Trial Courts</u>
Requester <u>Senate Judiciary</u>	Component Serial No. <u>769</u>

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	*	*	*	*	*	*
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
CHANGE IN REVENUES ()						

FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type)						
TOTAL	*	*	*	*	*	*

Estimate of any current year (FY99) cost: None

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: *(Attach a separate page if necessary)*

Under SSSB 5, a person commits the crime of misprision of a felony if he or she witnesses or has knowledge of the commission of a felony and fails to report the crime immediately. Depending on the severity of the felony witnessed or learned of, misprision of a felony is either a class C felony or a class A misdemeanor. The impact this legislation will have on the court system will depend on the extent to which people are actually charged under the law. Prosecutors could either charge this offense routinely or rarely. The crime would rarely be charged if it were primarily used as a law enforcement tool designed to get people to report crimes or to participate in criminal investigations. Because the Department of Law has not estimated a specific impact, this fiscal note is indeterminate. However, should the impact prove significant, the court system may return to the legislature for additional funding.

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