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STATE OF ALASKA
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 Title: Relating to the Detention of Minors BRU: Juvenile Justice
 Component: Delinquency Prevention

Sponsor: Rep. Meyer
 Requester: House (HES) Component Number: 248

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()						
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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	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2001) cost: 0.0

Check this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2002 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Alaska receives approximately \$670,000 per year through the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (Act) formula grant program which supports activities related to the four mandate areas under the Act: 1. Deinstitutionalization of status offenders, 2. Separation of juveniles from adult offenders, 3. Removing juveniles from adult jail and lockup facilities, and 4. Disproportionate minority confinement. If a state fails to comply with standards set for each of these four mandates, a grant withholding penalty of 25% is assessed against the formula grant total for each mandate in which the state is found to be in non-compliance. Additionally, failure to correct areas of non-compliance will require all remaining funds be directed to efforts to bring the state into compliance with the Act.

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ANALYSIS: (continued)

Alaska has difficulty meeting the established compliance standards related to the removal of juveniles from adult jails and lockup facilities. Because of Alaska's expansive geography, limited transportation services in many rural parts of the state, adverse weather conditions which impact transportation, and the fact there are only 6 youth detention facilities in Alaska, the state stands to lose approximately \$168.0 in federal grant receipts due to non-compliance with jail removal mandates under the JJDP Act.

The Act allows a state to receive full formula grant funding if, through application of certain compliance exceptions, the number of violations remain below the limits set by federal regulation. In order to take advantage of the jail removal compliance exceptions the state must have a law requiring that juveniles placed in an adult facility be brought before the court within 24 hours of their placement. These exceptions provide a set of allowable circumstances under which a juvenile may be held in an adult facility without incurring a non-compliance violation of the jail removal mandate of the Act. These exceptions allow a juvenile to be held for longer periods as a result of limited transportation services, adverse weather conditions or other circumstances which contribute to delays in moving juvenile offenders out of inappropriate adult facilities into youth detention facilities. This bill proposal would enact a 24 hour arraignment in these juvenile cases, places the mandate exceptions provided in the federal regulations in state statute, and would preserve Alaska's ability to claim full funding of the federal grant award under the Act.