

# FISCAL NOTE

**STATE OF ALASKA**  
**2008 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

Fiscal Note Number: 6  
 Bill Version: CSHB 307(FIN)  
 (H) Publish Date: 3/18/08

Identifier (file name): HB307CS(FIN)-DOA-OPA-3-13-08 Dept. Affected: Administration  
 Title: "An Act relating to penalizing certain misdemeanor domestic violence offenses as felonies." RDU: Legal and Advocacy Services  
 Component: Office of Public Advocacy  
 Sponsor: Reps. Holmes, Gara, Dahlstrom, Fairclough, Johnson et al  
 Requester: \_\_\_\_\_ Component Number: 43

**Expenditures/Revenues** (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation Required	Information					
		FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>							
Personal Services	0.0	0.0	7.20	20.00	33.4	47.7	47.7
Travel	0.0	0.0	0.24	0.67	1.12	1.60	1.60
Contractual	0.0	0.0	3.00	8.44	14.10	20.1	20.10
Supplies	0.0	0.0	0.14	0.38	0.63	0.90	0.90
Equipment	0.0	0.0	0.40	1.20	2.00	2.90	2.90
Land & Structures							
Grants & Claims							
Miscellaneous							
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>30.7</b>	<b>51.2</b>	<b>71.0</b>	<b>71.0</b>

<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>							
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<b>CHANGE IN REVENUES ( )</b>							
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**FUND SOURCE** (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF	0.0	0.0	10.9	30.7	51.2	71.0	71.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other Interagency Receipts							
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>30.7</b>	<b>51.2</b>	<b>71.0</b>	<b>71.0</b>

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: 0.0

**POSITIONS**

Full-time			0.05	0.14	0.23	0.33	0.33
Part-time							
Temporary							

**ANALYSIS:** *(Attach a separate page if necessary)*  
 This bill will convert misdemeanor physical assaults into C felonies, if the defendant is charged with a domestic violence crime and the defendant has two or more prior convictions for crimes involving domestic violence under the specified statutes within AS 11.41 or similar statutes from other jurisdictions. To determine whether a crime is domestic violence, the bill defines household member. Based upon information from the Alaska Court System, had this law been in place in 2007, OPA would have seen approximately 54 new felony cases. Based upon information from the Department of Corrections, it is predicted that we will see a gradual increase in the number of new felonies and resultant fiscal impact. The expected overall increase in felony cases is roughly equivalent to one-third of an attorney position, and therefore, the agency predicts a fiscal impact of approximately one-third of an attorney plus an increase in contractor costs for cases in areas where we do not have staff offices or due to conflicts of interest.

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