

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2024 Legislative Session

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| Bill Version:       | HB 378    |
| Fiscal Note Number: | 1         |
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Identifier: HB378-JUD-ACS-04-12-24  
 Title: ORG. RETAIL THEFT/FUND;MKTPLACE SALES  
 TAX  
 Sponsor: FIELDS  
 Requester: House Labor & Commerce Committee

Department: Judiciary  
 Appropriation: Alaska Court System  
 Allocation: Trial Courts  
 OMB Component Number: 768

**Expenditures/Revenues**

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

|                               | FY2025                  | Included in               | Out-Year Cost Estimates |            |            |            |            |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
|                               | Appropriation Requested | Governor's FY2025 Request | FY 2026                 | FY 2027    | FY 2028    | FY 2029    | FY 2030    |
| <b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b> | <b>FY 2025</b>          | <b>FY 2025</b>            |                         |            |            |            |            |
| Personal Services             |                         |                           |                         |            |            |            |            |
| Travel                        |                         |                           |                         |            |            |            |            |
| Services                      |                         |                           |                         |            |            |            |            |
| Commodities                   |                         |                           |                         |            |            |            |            |
| Capital Outlay                |                         |                           |                         |            |            |            |            |
| Grants & Benefits             |                         |                           |                         |            |            |            |            |
| Miscellaneous                 |                         |                           |                         |            |            |            |            |
| <b>Total Operating</b>        | <b>0.0</b>              | <b>0.0</b>                | <b>0.0</b>              | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> |

**Fund Source (Operating Only)**

|              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| None         |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> |

**Positions**

|           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Full-time |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Part-time |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Temporary |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**Change in Revenues**

|              |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| None         |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> | <b>0.0</b> |

**Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2024) cost:** 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

**Estimated CAPITAL (FY2025) 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? n/a  
 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

**Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:**

Initial version.

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| Approved By: | Stacey Marz, Administrative Director | Date:  | 04/12/24            |
| Agency:      | Alaska Court System                  |        |                     |

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

House Bill 378 creates new categories of specific theft crimes that may occur when two or more people engage in a plan to deprive a retailer of merchandise on multiple occasions or as part of a coordinated plan to deprive multiple retailers of merchandise over a one-year period, and then take or conceal merchandise without paying for it. Sec. 8; new AS 11.46.221. The classification of the theft offense, i.e., first through fifth degree Organized Retail Theft, is based on the aggregate value of the items stolen. Sec 8; new AS 11.46.223--.227.

The new types of crimes and increased criminal penalties for the conduct that could currently be charged as theft may lead to an increase in the number of criminal cases filed, and may lead to more active litigation on those cases. Still, the court system anticipates that it can absorb the additional workload that would result from this bill, and therefore submits this zero fiscal note.