

# Fiscal Note

State of Alaska  
2025 Legislative Session

Bill Version:	HB 77
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Identifier: HB077-JUD-ACS-02-12-25  
 Title: MAIL THEFT  
 Sponsor: COULOMBE  
 Requester: House Judiciary 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)

	FY2026	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2026 Request	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>FY 2026</b>	<b>FY 2026</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 (FY2025) cost:** 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

**Estimated CAPITAL (FY2026) 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 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?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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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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**Analysis**

House Bill 77 amends the definition of Theft in the Second Degree to include the theft of mail that is taken from a post office, postal station, mail receptacle, mailbox, post office box, or mail carrier, or taken after the mail is delivered. Section 1. The bill adds definitions to clarify that the new type of theft applies to material that is sent or delivered via the US Postal Service and that has postage affixed. Section 2. The bill further provides that defenses to the crime apply where the person was authorized to collect the mail, lives in the same household as the recipient, reasonably believed they were entitled to the mail, or had a power of attorney authorizing the act. Section 3.

Theft in the Second Degree is a class C felony. This bill would therefore expand the type of conduct that is felonious, which could lead to more felony cases being filed in the court system. The court anticipate that our filing numbers may increase, but the number of additional cases can be absorbed without fiscal impact. The court therefore submits this zero fiscal note.