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# HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)

Date referred: 4/17/87

FURTHER REFERRALS: Judiciary

DATE: 5-11-87

The State Affairs Committee has considered CSSB 38(SA)

"An Act relating to the recording and collection of crime statistics."

**RECOMMENDS:**

- replace with \_\_\_\_\_  the same title
- attached amendment(s)  a new title
- do pass
- do not pass
- no recommendation
- individual recommendations
- additional referral to the \_\_\_\_\_ Committee

**ADOPTS:**  \_\_\_\_\_ letter of intent

**ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):**

- fiscal impact  same as previous fiscal note published \_\_\_\_\_
- zero fiscal note  same as previous zero fiscal note published \_\_\_\_\_
- zero with analysis

**SIGNING DO PASS:**

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**SIGNING OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:**

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# Alaska State Legislature

## House

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#### FISCAL NOTE

- A. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, ADMINISTRATION, DATA AND WORD PROCESSING: -0-



BILL NO: CSSB 38 (SA)

DATE: 2/04/87

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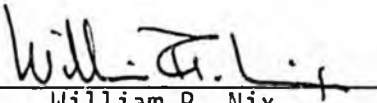
TITLE: "An Act relating to the recording and collection of crime statistics."

CONTACT: Jos Mapranath  
Director  
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DEPARTMENT OF  
PUBLIC SAFETY

A Legislative Audit report (06-4251-86-S) with DHSS Division of Family and Youth Services noted that the Department of Public Safety lacked the statutory authority to obtain crime statistics for the Uniform Crime Reporting System. This bill directly addresses this situation.

The Department of Public Safety supports CSSB 38 (SA). The bill will help us standardize the data base and address the situations identified by the Legislative auditors.

  
William R. Nix  
Acting Commissioner

DEPARTMENT OF  
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Senate

March 20, 1987

MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Jay Kerttula, Chairman  
Senate Judiciary Committee

FROM: Senator Jan Faiks, President of the Senate

SUBJECT: Background on Senate Bill 38  
An Act relating to the recording and collection  
of crime statistics

Senate Bill 38 has been referred to your committee for consideration. This bill proposes an amendment to AS 44.41.020 to give the Department of Public Safety authority to establish and require standardized collection and recordation of law enforcement and crime statistics by local departments statewide.

The Department of Public Safety does not presently have statutory authority to require how arrest information will be classified and reported by state and local law enforcement agencies. As a result, the slightly different collection and classification procedures used by the more than 20 police jurisdictions in Alaska could distort the statewide crime statistics.

Most of the local police departments that elect to participate in the Department's system use an incident-by-incident method of reporting all criminal calls they answer. However, the State's two largest police departments, Anchorage and Fairbanks, employ different recording methods. My concern is that the inconsistencies in the classification and reporting of arrest data between local jurisdictions may not accurately reflect the level of crime in the State.

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SENATE BACK UP

AS 44.41.020 stipulates the duties of the Department of Public Safety. The new subsection to AS 44.41.020 proposed by this bill enables the Department to establish and require state and local law enforcement agencies to use standardized methods of collecting and recording law enforcement and crime statistics. It does not otherwise alter the existing statute.

The CS prepared by the State Affairs Committee requires the Department to establish such a system.

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Senate

April 24, 1987

MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative Fran Ulmer

FROM: Senator Jan Faiks  
President of the Senate *Jan Faiks*

SUBJECT: Background on Senate Bill 38  
An Act relating to the recording and collection  
of crime statistics

Senate Bill 38 has been referred to your committee for consideration. This bill proposes an amendment to AS 44.41.020, which defines the duties of the Department of Public Safety.

The purpose of SB 38 is to give the department the authority to establish and require the use of standardized methods of collection and recordation of law enforcement and crime statistics by local departments statewide.

The Department of Public Safety does not presently have statutory authority to require how arrest information will be classified and reported by state and local law enforcement agencies. As a result, the slightly different collection and classification procedures used by the more than 20 police jurisdictions in Alaska could distort the statewide crime statistics.

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The committee substitute from the Senate State Affairs Committee alters the original language of the bill by requiring the department to establish a standardized method for the collection and recordation of such information.

I would appreciate the committee's consideration of this legislation at its earliest convenience. Should you need any additional information, please let me know.

Thank you.

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FISCAL NOTE

Bill Version: CSSB 38 (SA)  
Publish Date: \_\_\_\_\_

REQUEST

Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: "An Act relating to the recording and collecting of crime statistics."  
Sponsor: Sen. Faiks, Kelly, Kerttula,...  
Requestor: Senate Judiciary

Agency Affected: Public Safety  
BRU: DPS Administration  
Components: Data & Word Processing

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92
OPERATING						
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS:

No fiscal impact is anticipated.

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