

SB

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March 9, 1994

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*The Honorable Rick Halford
President of the Senate
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182*

Dear Mr. President:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill that would allow peace officers to make warrantless arrests when they have reasonable cause to believe that a defendant is violating the conditions of release imposed by a court in certain types of cases, including stalking, assault, sexual assault, and domestic violence cases. The bill would allow peace officers to take immediate action to protect the public, rather than requiring that they contact a prosecutor and a judge before arresting the defendant.

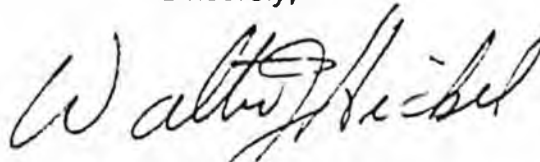
For example, if a person accused of stalking, domestic violence, assault, or sexual assault confronts the victim while the person is released on bail, or violates another condition of release, peace officers are rarely able to protect the victim or the public in general by making an immediate arrest. Typically, the peace officer must first meet with a prosecutor, go into court to file a motion, and obtain a court order before they can act to put the defendant back in jail. Since a large percentage of these incidents occur late at night and often involve alcohol or drug use by the defendant, these situations are particularly dangerous for victims -- and challenging for peace officers, prosecutors, and judges.

The bill authorizes the warrantless arrest of defendants who have violated conditions of release imposed by the court for certain offenses to the same extent that warrantless arrests are already authorized under existing law for the initial commission of these same offenses. The bill would permit peace officers to promptly arrest accused stalkers and other offenders who confront their victims, or otherwise violate conditions of release, while on bail.

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Protecting Alaskans from stalkers and domestic violence requires giving peace officers the tools to act -- to intervene -- and to do so immediately. I urge your favorable action on this bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Walter J. Hickel". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Walter J. Hickel
Governor

FISCAL NOT

No. 5

STATE OF ALASKA
1994 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Bill Version: SB 350

(S) Publish Date: 3-9-94

Revision Date: _____ Dept. Affected: Administration
 Title: *An Act Relating to Defendant's Conditions of BRU: Office of Public Advocacy
Release... Component: Office of Public Advocacy
 Sponsor: _____
 Requestor: Governor COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 43

Expenditures/Revenues	(Thousands of Dollars)					
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY95	FY96	FY97	FY98	FY99	FY00
PERSONAL SERVICES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TRAVEL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CONTRACTUAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SUPPLIES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EQUIPMENT	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
MISCELLANEOUS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CHANGE IN REVENUES ()	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

FUND SOURCE	(Thousands of Dollars)					
1002 Federal Receipts	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1003 GF Match	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1004 GF	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1006 GF/MHTIA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of current year (FY94) cost: none

POSITIONS:

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

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Prepared by: Brant McGee, Public Advocate Phone: 274-1684
 Division: Office of Public Advocacy Date: _____

Approved by Commissioner: Nancy Bear Usura Date: 2/12/94
 Agency: Administration

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No. 4

STATE OF ALASKA
1994 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL

Bill Version: SB 350

(S) Publish Date: 3-9-94

Revision Date: _____ Dept. Affected: Public Safety

Title: Defendant's Conditions of Release BRU: Statewide

Component: _____

Sponsor: Rules by Request

Requestor: Governor COMPONENT SERIAL NO. _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars) (inflation not included)

OPERATING	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99	FY 00
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
CHANGE IN REVENUES ()	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
<small>Revenue Code</small>						

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1006 GF/MHTIA						
Other						
TOTAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

Estimate of current year (FY 94) impact: \$ _____

POSITIONS:

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

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

Prepared By: Lee Ann Lucas Phone: 465-4322

Division: Office of the Commissioner Date: 2/16/94

Approved by Commissioner:  Date: _____

Agency: Richard L. Burton, Dept. of Public Safety

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No. 3
 Bill Version: SB 350
 (S) Publish Date: 3-9-94

STATE OF ALASKA
 1994 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Revision Date: February 15, 1994
 Title: "An Act relating to a defendant's violation of conditions of release..."
 Sponsor: Rules/By Request of Governor
 Requestor: Governor's Office

Department Affected: Department of Law
 BRU: Prosecution
 Component: All
 COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 0085 through 0090

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES:

OPERATING	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99	FY 00
PERSONAL						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND &						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING:

1002 Federal						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program						
1006 GF/MHTIA						
OTHER						
TOTAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

POSITIONS:

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

Estimate of current year (FY94) impact: -0-

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)
 Please see the attached analysis.

Prepared by: Richard I. Peques, Director Phone: 465-3672
 Division: Administrative Services Division Date: February 15, 1994
 Approved by Commissioner: Bruce M. Botelho, Attorney General
 Agency: Department of Law Date: February 15, 1994

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STATE OF ALASKA
1994 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. _____

ANALYSIS CONTINUATION:

This bill amends AS 12.30 to allow police officers to act quickly to arrest, without warrant or order, defendants who are released on bail, when those peace officers have reasonable cause to believe that the defendant has confronted the victim or has otherwise violated conditions of release. Currently, if a person accused of stalking, domestic violence, assault, or sexual assault confronts the victim while the person is released on bail, or violates another condition of release, peace officers are limited in their ability to protect the victim or the public in general because they cannot make an immediate arrest. Generally, the peace officer must first meet with a prosecutor, go into court to make a motion to remand, and obtain a court order before they can act to put the defendant back in jail. Because a substantial number of these incidents involve repeat offenders who often are impaired by alcohol or drugs, this lengthy procedure is particularly dangerous for the public, especially those already victimized by the defendant. The Department of Law does not anticipate a fiscal impact because, in most cases, the bill will speed up the process of arrest, and it will not increase the number of arrests.

FISCAL NOTE

No. 2

STATE OF ALASKA
1994 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Bill Version: SB 350

(S) Publish Date: 3-9-94

Revision Date: _____ Dept. Affected: Corrections
 Title: An Act relating to a defendant's violation of conditions of release BRU: Statewide Operations
 Component: Institutions
 Sponsor: Rules Committee
 Requestor: Governor COMPO' ENT SERIAL NO. 707-726

Expenditures/Revenues	(Thousands of Dollars)					
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99	FY 00
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL			-			
SUPPLIES					-	
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS	11.3	11.6	12.0	12.3	12.7	13.1
TOTAL OPERATING	11.3	11.6	12.0	12.3	12.7	13.1

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()						
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FUND SOURCE	(Thousands of Dollars)					
1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	11.3	11.6	12.0	12.3	12.7	13.1
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1006 GF/MHTIA						
Other						
TOTAL	11.3	11.6	12.0	12.3	12.7	13.1

Estimate of any current year (FY94) cost: \$ _____ *

POSITIONS

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)
 Please see the attached fiscal analysis.

Prepared by: Diane Schenker, Special Assistant Phone: 65-4643/786-2147
 Division: Office of the Commissioner Date: 3/9/94
 Approved by Commissioner: J. Frank Prewitt, Jr. Date: 3/9/94
 Agency: Department of Corrections

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The bill would authorize warrantless arrests of certain defendants who violated conditions of bail in certain assault, sexual assault, stalking, and domestic violence cases. According to the District Attorney's office and information from the Anchorage Police Department, getting warrants under current law generally involves a one-day delay.

Assumptions

1. The Anchorage District Attorney's office estimates 100 cases per year, statewide, and estimates that each case will result in one additional day of incarceration.
2. The average cost of incarceration, statewide, in a state correctional center is approximately \$113 per day.
3. It is not possible to estimate any current year (FY94) costs until the department knows when the bill will actually go into effect.
4. Because the bill will impact all correctional institutions, and the average daily cost of incarceration reflects a combination of costs including overhead, the estimated expenses are shown under "miscellaneous."
5. An inflation factor of 3% is assumed after FY95.

Operating Expenses

100 cases per year X 1 day per case X \$113 per day = \$ 11,300 per year.

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No. 1

STATE OF ALASKA
1994 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Bill Version: SB 350

(S) Publish Date: 3-9-94

Revision Date: _____ Dept. Affected: Administration
 Title: "An Act Relating to Defendant's Conditions of BRU: Public Defender Agency
Release..." Component: Public Defender Agency
 Sponsor: _____
 Requestor: Governor COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 1631

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY95	FY96	FY97	FY98	FY99	FY00
PERSONAL SERVICES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TRAVEL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CONTRACTUAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SUPPLIES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EQUIPMENT	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
MISCELLANEOUS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1003 GF Match	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1004 GF	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1006 GF/MHTIA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of current year (FY94) cost: none

POSITIONS:

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

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Prepared by: John Salemi, Public Defender
 Division: Public Defender Agency

Phone: 264-4400
 Date: _____

Approved by Commissioner: Nancy Bear Usura
 Agency: Administration

Date: 2/17/94

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