AP/AL: Appropriation	Project Type: Renovation and Remodeling				
Category: Public Protection					
Location: Statewide	Contact: David Blaisdell				
House District: Statewide (HD 1-40)	Contact Phone: (907)465-3673				
Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2010 - 06/30/20	11				

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

As part of its ongoing effort to enhance security in offices statewide, the Department of Law is seeking this appropriation to procure and install electronic access controls for its main office locations in Anchorage and Fairbanks.

Funding:	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	Total
Gen Fund	\$150,000						\$150,000
Total:	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$150,000

State Match Required I One-Time Project	Phased - new	Phased - underway On-Going	
0% = Minimum State Match % Required	Amendment	Mental Health Bill	

Operating & Maintenance Costs:AmountStaffProject Development:00Ongoing Operating:00One-Time Startup:00Totals:00

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

No prior funding.

Project Description/Justification:

As part of its ongoing effort to enhance security in offices statewide, the Department of Law is seeking funding to procure and install electronic access controls for its main office locations in Anchorage and Fairbanks. At present, rudimentary security is provided by simple key-locked doors at nearly fifty suite and floor entry points. By necessity, most of these doors are keyed the same to allow employees to move between various floors and sections. Needless to say, a single "lost" key can compromise the security of the entire office and can require all doors to be re-keyed if such a compromise is deemed to have created a significant risk. Determining the potential level of risk from a lost key is highly speculative, and rekeying is costly.

Installation of a modern key-card access system provides the ability to immediately change access codes for all doors and cards as well as to limit individual cards based on personal access needs and, if necessary, to easily cancel a card in the event of loss. Such systems can also provide the ability to execute a building lock-down in order to stop access to all spaces in the event of an incident, and can report on access gained.

With nearly four-hundred legal professionals and support staff in these locations doing everything from clerical tasks, to collecting child support, to prosecuting felony murder, to dealing with highly controversial legal issues, the potential for aggressive and possibly serious confrontation is very real.

Securing these offices and protecting our employees has been and continues to be a very high priority for the department.