



# Alaska State Legislature

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## Fact Sheet for: Senate Bill 250

**Short Title:** DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/SEXUAL ASSAULT COUNCIL

### Summary:

- Extends the termination date of the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault to June 30, 2014.
- Eliminates statutory references to the network on domestic violence and sexual assault.

### Benefits:

- Continues the planning and coordination of full-range services to victims, families and the perpetrators of domestic violence and sexual assault.
- Helps combat domestic violence and sexual assault, an on-going priority at both the state and national level.

### Background:

- SB 250 implements a recommendation of Legislative Audit to extend the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. It also removes references to the Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault to avoid potential conflicts of interest in the appointment process. The Network receives a grant from the Council and the appearance of conflict exists when a Council member may evaluate and approve a grant to the same non-profit organization that may have been responsible for recommending that individual be appointed to the Council.

States began adopting sunset laws in the 1970s as part of a national movement to increase the accountability of government and to reduce bureaucracy. The routine redetermination of the need for some aspect of government increases the likelihood that government growth is productive and deliberate.