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2007 SENATE JUDICIARY

SB 2382

## 2007 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. **SB 2382**

### Senate Judiciary Committee

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Hearing Date: January 29, 2007

Recorder Job Number: 2142

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*Mona L. Selby*

**Minutes:** Relating to provide an appropriation to the attorney general for the purpose of funding bureau of criminal investigation

**Senator David Nething**, Chairman called the Judiciary committee to order. All Senators were present. The hearing opened with the following testimony:

#### Testimony In Support of Bill:

**Sen. Dave Oelke**, Dist. 15 # Introduced the bill.

**Rep. Kim Koppelman**, Dist. #30 Spoke in support (meter 2:41) of the bill. The hiring of two additional people to work on the I.T. Side is very important. My police chief, from west Fargo, requested this legislation. The majority of the work is done in Bismarck. The Fargo area has to have it's own location. Crimes have gotten more complex as the computers get more complex.

**Aaron Burst**, States Attorney Association (meter 4:30) We are in support of the bill. Fargo has started there own program and they need the dollars to support it.

**Garry Kennit** – Dir. Of Criminal Investigation Program (meter 4:39) Gave an overview or what the current program consists of and its costs. The advancement in computer size and technology has increased the work load per computer. Discussed how some new legislation, for example the "internet luring site" bill will also increase workload.

**Sen. Nething** questioned why this isn't in the appropriation budget bill? This is a field demand and is not a part of the Attorney General's budget. Mr. Kennit stated that his priority is to keep his current agents. In the past I have had 80-100 applicants, today I get maybe 17.

**Sen. Olafson** asked if the work of "hackers" take their time.

**Tim Erickson**, Agent for the Bureau of Criminal Investigation responded, "not much". He also stated that the last two homicides have taken quite a lot of their time. He elaborated on some of his case load.

**Sen. Fiebiger** asked how the department plans to grow to meet the challenges of the trends. (meter 12:15) If we get a case load of one a week/per employee that would be four a week or approximately 200 extra cases. We will be so back logged it will be scary.

**Testimony in Opposition of the Bill:**

None

**Testimony Neutral to the Bill:**

None

**Senator David Nething**, Chairman closed the hearing.

**Sen. Lyson** made the motion to Do Pass and refer to appropriations, **Sen. Nelson** seconded the motion. All members were in favor and the motion passes.

Carrier: **Sen. Nelson**

**Senator David Nething**, Chairman closed the hearing.

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Requested by Legislative Council**  
01/24/2007

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2382

**1A. State fiscal effect:** *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

	2005-2007 Biennium		2007-2009 Biennium		2009-2011 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
<b>Revenues</b>						
<b>Expenditures</b>			\$350,000		\$312,000	
<b>Appropriations</b>						

**1B. County, city, and school district fiscal effect:** *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

2005-2007 Biennium			2007-2009 Biennium			2009-2011 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

**2A. Bill and fiscal impact summary:** *Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).*

This bill provides for 2 computer forensic agents to examine computers used in luring, child porn, identity theft, and other crimes. It also allows more proactivity in undercover work developing cases against people who lure victims into inappropriate sexual and criminal activities.

**B. Fiscal impact sections:** *Identify and provide a brief description of the sections of the measure which have fiscal impact. Include any assumptions and comments relevant to the analysis.*

Section one contains a \$350,000 general fund appropriation for the Bureau of Criminal Investigation's computerized forensic investigations and examinations.

**3. State fiscal effect detail:** *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

**A. Revenues:** *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

N/A

**B. Expenditures:** *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

This fiscal note provides general fund monies for two special agent FTE's and associated operating costs.

**C. Appropriations:** *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency and fund affected. Explain the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations. Indicate whether the appropriation is also included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.*

The Executive Recommendation excludes funding for this purpose.

<b>Name:</b>	Kathy Roll	<b>Agency:</b>	Office of Attorney General
<b>Phone Number:</b>	328-3622	<b>Date Prepared:</b>	01/26/2007

Date: 1

Roll Call Vote #

1-29-07

2007 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2382

Senate \_\_\_\_\_ Judiciary \_\_\_\_\_ Committee \_\_\_\_\_

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Legislative Council Amendment Number \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken Do Pass + Refer to Approp.

Motion Made By Sen. Lyson Seconded By Sen. Nelson

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Sen. Nething	✓		Sen. Fiebiger	✓	
Sen. Lyson	✓		Sen. Marcellais	✓	
Sen. Olafson	✓		Sen. Nelson	✓	

Total Yes 6 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Sen. Nelson

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SB 2382: Judiciary Committee (Sen. Nething, Chairman) recommends DO PASS and BE REREFERRED to the Appropriations Committee (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2382 was rereferred to the Appropriations Committee.**

2007 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS

SB 2382



## 2007 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. 2382

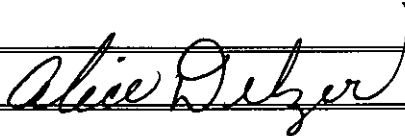
Senate Appropriations Committee

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Hearing Date: 02-01-07

Recorder Job Number: 2509

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Minutes:

**Chairman Holmberg** opened the hearing on SB 2382 at 10:45 am on February 1, 2007 relating to the Department of the Attorney General in regards to funding for the BCI computerized investigations and examinations. This bill is re-referred from the Judicial Committee.

**Senator Dave Oehlke, District 15, Devils Lake** introduced the bill and gave oral testimony in support of this bill. He stated the fact that the 2 FTE's are overwhelmed with the work load. This bill would provide for two additional FTE Forensic Examiners. SB 2248 deals with penalties and prosecution. Some of you may watch To Catch a Predator Program and notice that older people are going on the internet to entice young people to meet them and then molest them, and the problem is right here in North Dakota and the problem is on the rise.

**Senator Krauter** stated he was amazed this was not in the budget and where is this as a priority for the Department of the Attorney General.

**Senator Mathern** asked about the fiscal note in the other bill, how the money is spent, how the job is portioned out, is there any chance people in other areas duplicating these jobs and had questions regarding the computer hard drive.

**Wayne Stenehjem, Attorney General** stated that their office works with local officers with the STING Program. Fargo does quite a bit in this area and it is important to send two messages:

1. Send the message to young people on the internet.
2. Send the message to predator that he may be talking to law enforcement and the consequences that will follow; for one – a one year minimum jail sentence.

**Senator Krauter** asked for information regarding the fiscal note and if federal dollars are allotted in regards to this matter. He was informed that yes there is federal funding regarding the Crimes Against Children Act and funding for training purposes.

**Drew Wrigley, US Attorney for North Dakota** gave oral testimony in support of the SB 2382. His comments included information regarding the Gonzales case last spring, federal, state and local governments working together, the fact that these type of cases over the internet are exploding and crimes regarding child pornography are on the rise. The cache of crime scene photos is actually rape of young children, anywhere from 18 months to 24 months and the predators look at it as a way to make money. I am sure if I would come back for your next session we would see a great increase on these types of crimes, and we need to take action now regarding this very serious crime. He explained in detail the critical work a Forensic Examiner does and the urgency to catch the predator as soon as possible. He stated that these Legislatures can have a positive impact in lessening this type of crime in the future for North Dakota, and how important it is to deal with this problem now.

**Arland Rasmusson, Chief of Police, Fargo, ND** gave testimony in support of the bill. He shared how he assigned an officer in his department to go online and chat with people, and they prosecuted the first case in North Dakota through their efforts to catch the predator. He stated that within one week they saw activity on the computer, some from rural areas in North Dakota and even Montana responses.

**Senator Bowman** requested information regarding the impact of media on the repeat of sex crimes on the computer.

**Debbie Ness, Police Chief, Bismarck, ND** gave oral testimony in support of SB 2382. She shared on the circumstance of two young girls who came up missing who were in town to testify in another matter. They found the information they needed on the computer, and were able to prosecute the people who had intended to do them harm. She stated the dire need of the trained people in the computer work. When you lose the evidence, you lose the predator.

**Chairman Holmberg** stated this bill will go before the Subcommittee which consists of

**Senator Kilzer, Chairman; Senators Mathern and Holmberg.** They are meeting today at 3:15 pm.

**Tim Erickson, BCI** gave testimony in support of this bill.

Senator Holmberg was called to another hearing. **Vice Chairman Grindberg** closed the hearing on SB 2382.

## 2007 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. 2382

Senate Appropriations Committee

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Hearing Date: 02-12-07

Recorder Job Number: 3416

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*Alicia DeLuz*

Minutes:

**Chairman Holmberg** opened the hearing on SB 2382 regarding funding for the BCI computerized investigations and examinations.

**Senator Wardner** commented that this bill needed to be on a top priority level. Discussion followed regarding the importance of this bill and the need for more FTE's.

**Senator Tallackson** moved a **DO PASS**, **Senator Krebsbach** seconded. A roll call vote was taken resulting in 8 yeas, 4 nays and 2 absent. The motion carried. **Senator Nelson will carry the bill.**

The hearing on SB 2382 closed.

Date: 2-12-07  
 Roll Call Vote #: 1

2007 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES  
 BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2382

Senate Appropriations Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken do pass

Motion Made By Tallackson Seconded By Krubback

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Senator Ray Holmberg, Chrm	✓	✓	Senator Aaron Krauter	✓	
Senator Bill Bowman, V Chrm		✓	Senator Elroy N. Lindaas	✓	
Senator Tony Grindberg, V Chrm	✓	✓	Senator Tim Mathern		✓
Senator Randel Christmann	✓	✓	Senator Larry J. Robinson	✓	
Senator Tom Fischer	✓		Senator Tom Seymour	✓	
Senator Ralph L. Kilzer	✓		Senator Harvey Tallackson	✓	
Senator Karen K. Krebsbach	✓				
Senator Rich Wardner	✓				

Total (Yes) 8 No 2

Absent 2

Floor Assignment S. Nelson Jud. Carried

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)**  
February 13, 2007 7:56 a.m.

**Module No: SR-30-2982**  
**Carrier: Nelson**  
**Insert LC: . Title: .**

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SB 2382: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman) recommends DO PASS**  
(8 YEAS, 4 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2382 was placed on the  
Eleventh order on the calendar.

2007 HOUSE JUDICIARY

SB 2382

## 2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. SB 2382

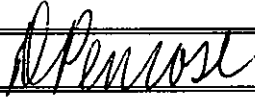
House Judiciary Committee

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Hearing Date: 3/6/07

Recorder Job Number: 4458

Committee Clerk Signature



Minutes:

**Chairman DeKrey:** We will open the hearing on SB 2382.

**Sen. Dave Oehlke:** Sponsor (see attached testimony).

**Chairman DeKrey:** We just passed out a bill yesterday that does the same thing that came from the AG's office; you are talking about forensic experts to look at these chat rooms. We will have to reconcile that in committee. Thank you. Further testimony in support.

**Rep. Kim Koppelman:** Sponsor, just a little background. The bill we heard the other day does something different. SB 2382 came about as a result of local law enforcement making a plea and coming and saying that they need this help in the eastern part of the state. As Sen. Oehlke has indicated, there is a growing problem of crime with computers. As society has become more technologically savvy, so have criminals. When I received this request, I talked with the AG's office and they were very eager to see this legislation move forward and it was past our bill introduction deadline in the House, so Sen. Oehlke was kind enough to become the prime sponsor of the bill and he has worked very diligently for its passage.

**Rep. Wolf:** Why isn't this in the AG's budget?

**Rep. Koppelman:** My understanding is that, like with any other budgets, the AG's office has to prioritize their issues and that happens long before the Legislature comes to town, and



happens when the Governor begins preparing his budget for months and months before we come to town. Sometimes these issues, and the need for them, become more prevalent as we get here, and I think that is what happened with this.

**Rep. Delmore:** What is the number of the other bill, and whether there was an appropriation on that bill as well?

**Rep. Koppelman:** I don't know. Maybe Liz can help us reconcile that question. I was out at BCI a few years ago and visited with them, they are able to take a computer and if there was anything ever on that computer, I think these guys can find it. They are very good. Their workload is overwhelming and these cases are growing so it would allow more folks to do what they do.

**Chairman DeKrey:** Thank you. Further testimony in support.

**Arlan Rasmussen, Chief of Police for West Fargo Police Department:** I would ask for your support of this bill. I represent a police department and community that made use of forensic experts. At one time I had a police officer who had been injured on duty, so he had a temporary disability and he was not an expert on computers, but he knew his way around. We started him on the Internet on this luring, just like you are seeing on TV these days. People thought that doesn't happen here in West Fargo. We arrested 22 people within just a few months. We confiscated 27 computers. Doing the luring, we could work these 24 hours a day. We worked it at noon, at 10:00 am and 10:00 pm. There wasn't any problem; there were people on the internet willing to meet 14 year old girls and boys, that's what my officer portrayed himself to be, 14 years old. We got as many as three arrests that day. That's in West Fargo. We had people traveling 100 miles. Eventually my officer got better, and I put him back on the street to do his regular job, but we found that we were bottlenecked, in that we couldn't get our computers checked out in a timely manner. We had to go to the AG's office

and I think they only had one person at that time. We actually went out of state, and it cost me \$900 in shipping fees just to ship computers out and it took many months to get the information back and cases were delayed for a long time. If we would have continued, we have broken the system, and we kind of did because the state couldn't handle what we had; we were the only one doing it basically. I can tell you from experience that this is a need in our community, in all our communities. We had people driving from 100 miles away to meet a 14 year old girl. That is the farthest someone drove. We had one guy from Montana that wanted us to come to his ranch. He told us how he had this ranch, and that nobody would find you if you came, of course, this was our officer posing as the girl. I would ask that you support this. This is just one area. I'm sure that everyday you use a computer, doing email back and forth. We are finding more ways to solve cases. I have friends in other states that have solved homicides because of what was found on a computer. Obviously, it used to be that we would ask that the criminal bring in their financial records in, and you got a stack of papers. Now the financial records are on the computer and we use a certain system, but it's password protected, and we need to be able to crack their password. We need these people.

**Rep. Kretschmar:** These people on the computer, were they convicted of a crime.

**Arlan Rasmussen:** Yes, they were; 22 people were convicted of the luring. Some went through the federal system, some went through the state system, but we had 22 convictions.

**Rep. Koppelman:** One of the things that came up with the other bill that was mentioned earlier, was a question of how this luring works. I am familiar with the example you described in West Fargo and what went on there. Do you still have people doing this in your department, and do they always initiate or are parents reporting that they think their child is being lured by someone, and then the officer continues posing as the child.

**Arlan Rasmussen:** We've done it both ways. We actually initiated this because we did have a complaint from a parent. That complaint led me to believe that I could use my officer to try this. We did it several years ago. We've done it both ways, where we had people getting threats and followed up through that and we had people getting lured where their daughter was on the internet. The majority of times what you hear about is the officer being on line and portraying himself to be somebody else. What they are portraying themselves to be are your nieces and nephews, grandchildren and children. We protect our children. We have safe secure communities, we have our homes, etc. There are so many people these days that have their computers, they take their laptop, go into the bedroom, and come into your homes via the internet. The children are not safe in her home because they are being visited and on numerous occasions. The officer I had, would have up to eight conversations going at a time. I'm not asking for help in that area, I'm asking for help in doing the forensic examination work. There are a lot of people out there, criminals doing this.

**Rep. Wolf:** Has your department ever checked into hiring your own person to do this versus the state doing it.

**Arlan Rasmussen:** I don't have to hire somebody specifically to do that, I don't have the resources to do that. I don't have anyone doing the luring right now, I would like to have it, but that's not been one of the priorities. We do that intermittently, we get enough clients that come in that have had threats, harassing emails, etc. We've actually looked at doing this with Fargo and Cass County as a combined effort. We did get a grant for some equipment, but couldn't get a grant for any manpower. We talked with the AG's office, and our idea was to get someone in the eastern part of the state, but at that time, there was only one person in the state that could do this and he worked for the AG's office and they needed to have two people doing it, because the law changed, it says that you need to have two people, as a check. You

actually have to have two people checking each other. We used our grant for equipment that was given to the AG's office in Bismarck so that the entire state could use it. I don't have the funding for that, I think this would be better used in the state.

**Rep. Wolf:** Do you have the AG's office look at it when there are threats by emails, etc.

**Arlan Rasmussen:** Yes, and for financial records as well. A forensic person knows just how to get into the system, to break the passwords, etc. So you can use them on accounting problems, threats, luring, etc.

**Chairman DeKrey:** Thank you. Further testimony in support.

**Liz Broeckel, AG's office:** (see attached testimony from AG). The bill you heard last week, SB 2248, the electronic luring, that is the end of the process. This bill is the beginning. SB 2248 strengthens the penalties relating to the electronic crimes against the children, this bill relates to the investigation of those crimes. This bill comes before that bill. As to the question regarding the budget, in the presentations that the AG gave to the budget appropriations committee, he was asked the same question. His response was that our budget addressed priorities that we had identified for the existing functions that we have including equitable salaries for staff we already employ. While we agreed that this indeed a very important public safety bill, the AG wanted to first ensure that our budget, under the existing disparities that were already identified, before we took on to fund additional FTE's. The AG had asked me to mention in the testimony and it relates mainly to the use of the BCI agents to do the forensic investigations, as others have mentioned, these are highly specialized investigations. They are able to get into computers and are currently swamped. They are backlogged around 4-6 months. The bill was asked for by local, state and federal law enforcement agencies and prosecutors.

**Rep. Meyer:** With these people, how readily available would they be here, are there any here right now or would we have to bring them in from out of state.

**Liz Broeckel:** We currently have two BCI investigators, and I will defer to Tim Erickson from BCI.

**Chairman DeKrey:** Thank you. Further testimony in support.

**Dean Ross, Valley City Police Department:** We are in support of this bill. We are small in size, we aren't able to hire a person dedicated to computer forensics. So we use BCI whenever we can. We hope that they can add two forensic experts in the eastern part of the state. Last September, we had a murder in Valley City, so everybody here thinks that it's just luring, sexual predators, and things like that. Granted that's a huge part of it; however, when

Mindy Morgenstern from New Salem was murdered, we brought our computers out to Tim Erickson. They took the time immediately, put all their other work aside and probably made other agencies unhappy, but took time to put our case in a priority mode which I thought was great. They would do that any agency, which is very important. In the meantime, we are putting other cases that also have high priority, in the backlog. Personally I couldn't do the work he does. I think that if you sit there and look at sexual innuendos all the time, child exploitation and stuff going on in computers, it takes a different sort of individual to be able to do that and not burn out immediately. That isn't the only aspect of this that we're looking at. Their training is now into cell phone text messaging. The forensic part comes into play now, because that is another separate section that they actually have schools for that to learn that expertise. We can't take the time to send anybody, nor the financial resources. That makes us negligent. Our former sheriff said that when it comes to learning computer crimes, we didn't have the staff or the manpower. I don't think we can afford not to have the staff or money to do these cases. If any of you look over the balcony out here, there are 5<sup>th</sup> graders that are all

sitting out there on laptops. What they are doing today is probably putting on a show for all the people here in the legislature, but what they are doing at home is unknown. Between the homicides, the sexual exploitation, the luring, all the financial crimes out there, every one has kids, grandkids, nieces, nephews, brothers, sisters, whoever it may be, that may be exploited in one manner or form with a computer. It is with this reason in mind, that we strongly encourage you, because smaller agencies truthfully don't have the manpower or the money to do it. That's unfortunate. I would like every city to be able to do that; every major city should be able to do that on their own. It's not going to happen. We're looking for support on this legislation from your committee and hopefully the House.

**Rep. Klemin:** I can understand why you don't have enough work for somebody in Valley City to do this as a full time staff member, but collectively once the cities, consider any alternatives to having BCI do that, like through the League of Cities, so that you could have a person you can go to that could do the work.

**Dean Ross:** That's exactly what I hope we are doing here. I hope that having those two forensic people only under the hiring of BCI to do that work, that all of these cities can go to.

**Rep. Klemin:** Is there any provision that BCI does now, or if BCI does work for a local political subdivision that they can charge back the costs of doing that to the entity that asked them to do that.

**Dean Ross:** I don't believe that they do that at all. We have never seen a bill from BCI. I'm not going to say that they don't have that capability, because it seems like even within a city, certain departments charge other departments; whether BCI would choose to do that, I don't know. I'm sure that cities would prefer that they not, of course,

**Rep. Klemin:** Here we are talking about having the state do investigation work for the city or county.

**Dean Ross:** Correct. That's actually what BCI does best. If you would have looked at Valley City, ND on September 13, 2006, you would have seen probably 17 BCI agents, not in the area, but you would have seen them in various parts of the state, traveling into MN, various parts of ND, they are an assisting agency for the cities. Without their help on this particular case, our agency would have been snowballed. There is no way in the world that we could have done all those separate investigations that have to be done simultaneously. So they are an assisting agency. We all owe them a debt of gratitude. We don't pay them, the State pays them. We pay them through taxes and through appropriations like hopefully this committee will make. We don't pay them, but we depend on them as an assisting agency. Is that right? I don't know.

**Rep. Klemin:** If we took this \$350,000 and turned it into an hourly rate somehow, could they bill you for that service.

**Dean Ross:** Can they? Probably. Would they? I don't know.

**Rep. Klemin:** Would you be opposed to it.

**Dean Ross:** Well if it were a decent hourly rate, it would be okay. I'm cheap too.

**Rep. Koppelman:** When we think about what BCI does, I know from my time in the legislature, my understanding of what they've done and what they do, is change over the years. I think we think of crime we think of blood samples and forensic examinations of a crime scene. Do you see this computer technology just being a modern day extension of what they've always done.

**Dean Ross:** Absolutely. That is a total extension and it's just to go with the way the times have changed, that's what it is. I don't know if criminal investigations are going to ever get to a reduced state of affairs, as we know we are building prisons and putting people in there, but I don't think that's ever going to change. This is an extension of their duties. Their old duties

aren't going to go away. The new ones are going to come in the form of computer problems. Computer problems, I don't foresee an end to them at this particular point in time. They are going to think of things that we haven't even thought of at this point. There is no question. As Chief Rasmussen said, he and I really aren't that great on computers. We can do our job, but we don't get into forensics, we don't know how to do the technical aspects of this that these people do. Their training is extremely expensive and intense.

**Chairman DeKrey:** Thank you. Further testimony in support.

**Dallas Carlson, Chief Agent with BCI:** I think there was a question about where the agents would come from, such as hire from out of state – we have a couple of agents that are interested in transferring from their current duties into the computer forensic field. They have a little computer background, they know what it entails, and so we would draw those people first, we want to draw from within our agency first, that would be great. If not, we will advertise outside the agency. The fiscal note of \$350,000 is not total salary, there is some equipment attached, I think we figured in a vehicle for each of them, so it is not total salary. As far as charging back for our services, BCI was set up when it was started as an assisting agency. Twenty years ago, 90% of our assists were probably burglaries. We don't charge for burglaries then and we don't charge for homicides. This is just a small aspect of what we do as an assisting agency; is there just one of the jobs that we do that could be charged back? I guess I never thought about that. Historically we've never charged the locals for any assistance that we've given. We would like to place these agents in the eastern part of the state. This would save travel time and court time for not only our agency, but for the local agencies requesting the computers being examined. This can be anything from cell phones to computers, computers aren't just for child sexual luring, we've done them for homicides, drug



