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**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 489** HLS 17RS 755  
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 Sub. Bill For.:

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Reinvests money from savings realized as a result of reforms to the criminal justice system and requires the collection of data in this regard

Proposed law enacts R.S. 15:827.2 and 827.3, relative to the reinvestment of savings realized from criminal justice reforms; requires the Department of Public Safety and Corrections to collect and make available certain information and data relative to the prison and community supervision population; authorizes the Department of Public Safety and Corrections to promulgate rules and regulations; provides guidelines on the type of information and data to be collected; provides for the calculation of savings realized by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections; requires the reinvestment of a portion of the savings realized; and provides for related matters.

EXPENDITURES	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2018-19</u>	<u>2019-20</u>	<u>2020-21</u>	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Annual Total</b>						
REVENUES	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2018-19</u>	<u>2019-20</u>	<u>2020-21</u>	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

Proposed law provides for data collection and reporting requirements for collection and tracking of data relative to prison admissions, sentencing, habitual offenders, parole, community supervision, medical furlough, certified treatment and rehabilitation programs, workforce development work release programs, and cost savings and reinvestment. It also provides for responsible parties of data collection and reporting requirements. The Department of Public Safety and Corrections - Corrections Services reports it can absorb the requirements within existing resources.

Proposed law provides for the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice (LCLE) to collect, track, analyze, forecast and distribute data relative to prison admissions. There will be an indeterminable increase in expenditures but it is not anticipated to be a significant.

Proposed law provides for certain allocations of savings attributable to criminal justice reform in FY 18 and future fiscal years. The Department of Public Safety and Corrections - Corrections Services shall provide a statement of calculated annual savings realized as a result of reforms to the criminal justice system to the Commissioner of Administration and the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget. Proposed law creates a bona fide obligation at the end of each fiscal year equal to 70% of calculated savings. In FY 18, this distribution shall be allocated to Corrections (30% to an incentive grant pool and 50% for reinvestment for reentry, community supervision, education and vocational, transition work program, contracts with parish jails and other local facilities that house state inmates) and to LCLE (20% to a competitive grant pool). Beginning in FY 19, 50% of the savings allocation shall be allocated as above, and an additional 20% (70% total) shall be deemed a bona fide obligation for the state and be allocated for juvenile justice initiatives and programs.

Note: To the extent savings are identified at the end of each fiscal year, 70% of the total savings will become a bona fide expenditure obligation as detailed above. Savings projected by the Louisiana Justice Reinvestment Task Force Report do not offset current ongoing expenditure deficits in Corrections. This allocation of potential savings will prohibit Corrections from using those savings to offset existing operational shortfalls, resulting in an additional increase to SGF expenditure need. To the degree that savings are not identified, no additional expenditure obligation would be created.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate Dual Referral Rules  
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}  
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}

House  
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}  
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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