

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 143

BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA

SHERIFFS: Provides relative to the per diem rate paid by the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections for the housing of state inmates in a parish jail or institution

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 15:824(B)(1)(a), relative to the confinement of persons
3 committed to the custody of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections; to
4 increase the amount the Department of Public Safety and Corrections pays for the
5 confinement of these persons in a parish jail or institution; and to provide for related
6 matters

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 15:824(B)(1)(a) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

9 §824. Commitment of persons to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections

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1 revocation of parole, the department shall pay to each parish sheriff, or to the
2 governing authority of those parishes in which the governing authority operates the
3 parish jail, for keeping and feeding the individual in the parish jail the jail:

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18 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
19 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
20 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
21 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
22 effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Increases from \$26.39 to \$29.39 the per diem rate for the housing of state inmates at certain local correctional facilities or institutions beginning Fiscal Year 2027-2028.

Present law requires any individual subject to confinement in a state adult penal or correctional institution to be committed to the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections (DPS&C). Additionally authorizes DPS&C to house these inmates at a parish jail or institution in certain circumstances.

Present law requires DPS&C to pay a daily sum to the sheriff or governing authority that runs the jail or institution for each of these state inmates. Further establishes the daily sum as \$26.39 for fiscal years after FY 2019-2020. Proposed law increases this daily sum rate to \$29.39 beginning FY 2027-2028. Otherwise retains present law.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 15:824(B)(1)(a))