DIGEST

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HB No. 562

Abstract: Requires the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to reimburse sheriffs for the housing of persons committed to the custody of the department who are released on parole and are subsequently arrested.

<u>Present law</u> provides that for any individual committed to the custody of DPS&C who is housed in a parish jail or institution after final sentence, the department shall pay to each parish sheriff, or to the governing authority of those parishes in which the governing authority operates the parish jail, for keeping and feeding the individual in the parish jail the sum of \$24.39 per day. Such daily sum shall be paid from date of sentencing until the individual is confined in a penal or correctional institution under the supervision of the department.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the parish governing authority shall provide the sheriff with a per diem for each prisoner of not less than \$3.50 to defer the costs of keeping and feeding of prisoners in jail.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and requires DPS&C to reimburse sheriffs for the housing of persons committed to the custody of the department who are released on parole and are subsequently arrested at the following rates:

- (1) For FY 2014-2015, at the rate of 50% of an amount equal to the rate of reimbursement provided by DPS&C to the sheriffs pursuant to <u>present law</u> less the sum of any monies received from the parish governing authority for the purpose of housing such persons pursuant to <u>present law</u>.
- (2) For FY 2015-2016 and thereafter, at an amount equal to the rate of reimbursement provided by DPS&C to the sheriffs pursuant to <u>present law</u> less the sum of any monies received from the parish governing authority for the purpose of housing such persons pursuant to <u>present law</u>.

Provides that the provisions of <u>proposed law</u> shall be effective upon the appropriation of funds for such purpose.

(Adds R.S. 15:824(B)(1)(e))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Administration of Criminal</u> <u>Justice to the original bill.</u>

- 1. Added a provision which states that for FY 2014-2015, the reimbursement shall be at a rate of 50% of an amount equal to the rate of reimbursement provided by DPS&C to the sheriffs pursuant to <u>present law</u> less the sum of any monies received from the parish governing authority for the purpose of housing such persons pursuant to <u>present law</u>.
- 2. Added language to specifically refer to the provision of <u>present law</u> which provides that the parish governing authority shall provide the sheriff with a per diem for each prisoner of not less than \$3.50 to defer the costs of keeping and feeding of prisoners in jail.
- 3. Provided that the provisions of <u>proposed law</u> shall be effective upon an appropriation by the legislature for such purposes.