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Fiscal Note



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Subject: Facilities Housing Individuals Referred By Judicial Agencies	

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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Provides relative to facilities providing housing to individuals referred by judicial agencies. (8/1/16)

Proposed law amends and reenacts certain areas in R.S. 40:2852(D) and (E), relative to facilities providing housing or temporary residence for individuals arrested for commission of a crime, removes accreditation requirements and provides for related matters.

EXPENDITURES	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The proposed law will result in a nominal increase in SGF expenditures to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections (DPSC) - Correction Services as a result of removing the American Correctional Association (ACA) accreditation requirements within 24-months of opening for all facilities referred by judicial agencies (i.e. district courts and officers, including the district judge, the prosecutor and district attorneys) as a residential facility. DPSC - Correction Services reports that it will require \$28,750 to fund proposed law to cover 1/4 of the cost of one audit position (salary - \$17,675 and related benefits -\$10,325), supplies (\$250) and a one-time purchase for a computer (\$500). DPSC - Corrections reports that the proposed law will increase the workload of one existing staff to provide monitoring services and to conduct six (6) audits per year for the facility. However, neither present law nor proposed law dictates the number of audits that need to be conducted annually. The Legislative Fiscal Office (LFO) believes these projected costs could potentially be reduced or eliminated.

Given that the workload increase is less than a full T.O. FTE position, it is likely that existing staff and resources can absorb the workload. However, the DPSC - Correction Services reports that the audits are considered extra duties for its current staff so the funds will be needed to hire additional staff or to pay overtime. To the extent that numerous pieces of legislation may impact the agency's workload, it is possible that additional staff and resources may be necessary.

The DPSC - Correction Services reports this will impact one existing facility offering diversion services in Lacassine, Louisiana. Currently, placements at the facility are primarily made by district court(s) and district attorney(s) as alternative placements. The facility's website reports that its expenses are paid by referred individuals at a cost of \$62.50 per day.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

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| <u>Senate</u> | <u>Dual Referral Rules</u> | <u>House</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H} | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S} | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H} | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S} | |

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