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Final Fiscal Note

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Bill Topic: **DOC OFFENDER ID ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill requires the Department of Corrections to operate a program to assist offenders with acquiring state-issued identification cards and to post program information to its website. Beginning in FY 2021-22, the bill minimally increases state workload.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires the Department of Corrections (DOC) to operate a program to assist offenders with acquiring state-issued identification cards and other identification documents, as necessary. By January 1, 2022, each participating offender must have a state-issued identification card upon release. The DOC may enter into agreements with the Department of Revenue (DOR) and the federal Social Security Administration as necessary to operate the program.

The DOC may promulgate rules or policies necessary for the administration of the program. By July 31, 2022, and each year thereafter, the DOC is required to post program information online, including number of eligible offenders and number of identification cards obtained.

Background

The DOC and the Department of Revenue (DOR) currently have an intergovernmental agreement to provide inmates with state-issued identification upon release from prison. These procedures and policies are outlined in DOC's Administrative Regulation 550-10. The Driver License Section of the DOR operates a program in two DOC locations, staffed by Driver License Section employees from

surrounding offices with specialized DOC training. The Driver License Section also has a Mobile Unit Program to provide coverage in remote areas.

State Expenditures

Beginning in FY 2021-22, workload will minimally increase in the DOC to post statistics on the website regarding the identification program; no change in appropriations is required. As discussed in the Background section, the other requirements under the bill are currently being performed.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on May 6, 2021, and it takes effect September 7, 2021, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

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