CHAPTER 301

## **GOVERNMENT - STATE**

HOUSE BILL 23-1299

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## AN ACT

CONCERNING THE JUSTICE REINVESTMENT CRIME PREVENTION INITIATIVE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-32-120, **amend** (2)(i)(III), (2)(i)(III.3)(D), (2)(i)(III.5), and (3); and **add** (2.5)(g) as follows:

24-32-120. Justice reinvestment crime prevention initiative - program - rules - cash funds - reports - repeal. (2) (i) (III) THROUGH STATE FISCAL YEAR 2022-23, money in the fund is continuously appropriated to the department of local affairs for the grant program developed pursuant to this subsection (2) and subsection (2.5) of this section. For state fiscal year 2023-24 and subject to annual APPROPRIATION, THE DEPARTMENT MAY EXPEND MONEY FROM THE FUND FOR THE GRANT PROGRAM DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTIONS (2) AND (2.5) OF THIS SECTION, AND THE DEPARTMENT MAY USE, FOR THE PURPOSES SPECIFIED IN THIS SUBSECTION (2)(i)(III), ANY MONEY APPROPRIATED OR TRANSFERRED TO THE FUND THAT REMAINS IN THE FUND AT THE END OF STATE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 DURING STATE FISCAL YEAR 2024-25. FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 AND SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEARS AND SUBJECT TO ANNUAL APPROPRIATION, THE DEPARTMENT MAY EXPEND MONEY FROM THE FUND FOR THE GRANT PROGRAM DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION, AND THE DEPARTMENT MAY USE, FOR THE PURPOSE SPECIFIED IN THIS SUBSECTION (2)(i)(III), ANY MONEY APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND THAT REMAINS IN THE FUND DURING THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE FISCAL YEAR FOR WHICH THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATED THE MONEY.

(III.3) There is hereby created a special account within the fund to be known as

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the justice reinvestment initiative expansion account. On June 30, 2021, the state treasurer shall transfer three million five hundred thousand dollars from the general fund to the account. Money in the account is continuously appropriated to the department to be used by the department as set forth in this subsection (2)(i)(III.3) and subsection (2)(i)(III.5) of this section. The state treasurer shall credit all interest and income derived from the deposit and investment of money in the account to the account. In state fiscal year 2021-22, the department may use one million seven hundred fifty thousand dollars in the account as follows:

- (D) This subsection (2)(i)(III.3) is repealed, effective September 1, 2023 SEPTEMBER 1, 2024.
- (III.5) (A) In state fiscal year 2022-23 AND STATE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24, the department may use any remaining money in the account for the same purposes and in the percentages set forth in subsection (2)(i)(III.3) of this section. On July 1, 2023 JULY 1, 2024, the state treasurer shall transfer any unexpended and unencumbered money remaining in the account to the general fund.
- (B) This subsection (2)(i)(III.5) is repealed, effective September 1, 2023 September 1, 2024.
  - (2.5) (g) This subsection (2.5) is repealed, effective September 1, 2024.
- (3) Subsections (2) and (2.5) of this section and this subsection (3) are This section is repealed, effective September 1, 2027. Before such repeal, the department of regulatory agencies shall review the justice reinvestment crime prevention initiative pursuant to section 24-34-104.
- **SECTION 2. Appropriation.** For the 2023-24 state fiscal year, \$3,000,000 is appropriated to the department of local affairs. This appropriation is from reappropriated funds in the targeted crime reduction grant program cash fund created in section 24-32-120 (2)(i)(I), C.R.S. To implement this act, the department of local affairs may use this appropriation for crime prevention initiative grants.
- **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.

Approved: June 1, 2023