

**JBC Staff Fiscal Analysis**  
**Senate Appropriations Committee**

Concerning increasing operational efficiency of existing prison population management measures.

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**Prime Sponsors:**

Senator Gonzales J.; Weissman  
Representative Bacon; Zokaie

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**Fiscal Impacts**

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Appropriation Required, Amendments in Packet

General Fund Impact

**Fiscal Note Status**

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The most recent Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 04/17/26.

**No Change:** Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill.

**Amendments in This Packet**

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- J.001            Staff-prepared appropriation amendment
- L.004 /J.002    Bill Sponsor amendment - changes fiscal impact and appropriation

**Current Appropriations Clause in Bill**

The bill requires but does not contain an appropriation clause.

**Description of Amendments in This Packet**

**J.001**

Staff amendment **J.001** (attached) appropriates a total of \$412,678 General Fund for FY 2026-27. This includes an increase of \$627,196 and 1.0 FTE for the Department of Public Safety and a reduction of \$214,518 for Department of Corrections. The change for the Department of Corrections includes an increase of 2.0 FTE.

## L.004 and J.002

Bill Sponsor amendment **L.004** (attached) strikes the words "funded and available" from a section of the Judiciary committee report about data collection and dissemination for community corrections beds. This removes a cost of \$627,196 General Fund to make modifications to community corrections IT systems, along with 1.0 FTE to manage the data (see page 9 of the Revised Fiscal Note). LCS and JBC staff agree on the fiscal impact of this amendment.

Amendment **J.002** reduces appropriations to the Department of Corrections by \$214,518 General Fund for FY 2026-27. The change includes an assumption that the Department will require 2.0 FTE.

**If the Committee adopts L.004 and J.002, it should not adopt J.001.**

## Points to Consider

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### General Fund Impact

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2026-27 based on the March 2026 Office of State Planning and Budgeting (OSPB) revenue forecast. The budget package includes \$57.3 million in set-asides for legislation outside of the package (see table below). The budget package accounts for the 13.0 percent reserve associated with the placeholders.

#### General Fund Appropriation Placeholders for Other 2026 Legislation

Item	FY 2026-27
SB 26-149 (Pathways for Individuals with Mental Health Disorders)	\$23,222,868
Competency services	20,000,000
Potential prison capacity supplemental	5,900,000
Applied Behavioral Analysis Licensing	5,000,000
County Administration shared services	3,100,000
Medicaid Working Group	500,000
HB 26-1331 (Modify 2026 Interim Committees)	-396,469
<b>Total - Placeholders for other legislation</b>	<b>\$57,326,399</b>

### General Fund Impact

This bill requires a General Fund increase of \$412,679 for FY 2026-27, reducing the \$57.3 million set aside by the same amount.

If the Committee adopts **L.004**, the bill requires a General Fund reduction of \$214,518 for FY 2026-27, increasing the \$57.3 million set aside by the same amount.