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HB 18-1132

FINAL FISCAL NOTE

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Prime Sponsors:	Rep. Michaelson Jenet Sen. Crowder	Bill Status:	Signed into Law
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Bill Topic: INCREASE DOC REIMBURSEMENT TO COUNTY JAILS

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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

This bill directs counties to annually report to the Joint Budget Committee on the costs for housing DOC inmates. This bill will increase local government workload on an ongoing basis.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

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

Summary of Legislation

Under current law, the Department of Corrections (DOC) reimburses a portion of the expenses and costs incurred by counties for housing DOC inmates. This rate is established annually by the General Assembly. To inform the annual rate setting process, this bill directs counties to annually report to the Joint Budget Committee (JBC) on the average cost for housing DOC inmates. The JBC will be responsible for establishing reporting guidelines by September 1, 2018, and the reports must include costs for:

- food;
- clothing and laundry;
- medical and behavioral health care costs;
- personnel costs, including salaries and benefits;
- inmate transportation costs; and
- vocational training and educational costs.

These reports are due to the JBC by January 1, 2019, and each January 1 thereafter.

Background

For FY 2017-18, the reimbursement rate is set at \$54.39 per offender per day, after 72 hours of being held.

State Expenditures

Beginning in FY 2018-19, workload will increase for the Joint Budget Committee to establish reporting guidelines and use the reports to inform the rate setting process. This workload can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Local Government

Beginning in FY 2018-19, this bill will increase workload for counties to provide an annual report to the JBC outlining the costs of housing DOC inmates. This workload impact will vary depending on the size of the county and the number of DOC inmates held by any particular county.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect April 25, 2018.

State and Local Government Contacts

Corrections
Health Care Policy and Financing
Judicial
Public Health and Environment

Counties
Human Services
Labor
Public Safety