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FISCAL NOTE

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Prime Sponsors:	Sen. Zenzinger; Gardner Rep. Michaelson Jenet; Soper	Bill Status:	Senate Judiciary
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Bill Topic: **SEX OFFENDER COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS REQUIREMENTS**

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 clarifies the criteria under which a sex offender may be released to community corrections. The bill may increase state workload.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

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

Summary of Legislation

The bill clarifies that a sex offender will not be placed in community corrections unless:

- the offender has successfully progressed in treatment and would not pose an undue threat to the community if under appropriate treatment and monitoring;
- there is a strong and reasonable probability that the offender would not violate the law upon transfer; and
- the Executive Director of the Department of Corrections (DOC) considers the criteria established by the Sex Offender Management Board and other relevant factors.

State Expenditures

The bill may increase workload for the DOC and the Office of Information Technology (OIT) to make any adjustments to the automated community referral eligibility process. The fiscal note assumes that these costs can be absorbed within existing appropriations. However, if the DOC determines it is necessary to create an IT-based solution for manual determination, IT costs are estimated to range from \$91,520 to \$205,920.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature. The bill applies to the transfer of offenders on or after the bill's effective date.

State and Local Government Contacts

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