

**Please Support SB 19-064 – Justice Reinvestment Funding**  
(Sen. Lee & Rep. Weissman)

**Summary** – create cash funds for existing justice reinvestment & public safety programs so that these efforts may operate effectively from one state fiscal year to the next.

**Brief History**

- **HB14-1355** – WAGEES (Work and Gain Education & Employment Skills) - created partnership between DOC Parole Division & community organizations to **reduce recidivism**
- **HB17-1326** – Justice Reinvestment Crime Prevention Initiative - created small business lending and non-profit grant-making programs to **increase economic opportunity and promote community health & safety** in two pilot areas (North Aurora & S.E. Colo Spgs)
- **HB18-1176** – WAGEES sunset – **WAGEES continued with broad bipartisan votes** in both chambers – 10-0 House Judiciary; 48-16 House; 5-0 Senate Judiciary; 30-5 Senate.
- **HB18-1409** – Crime Survivors Grant Program – created grant program to **support community organizations that work with crime victims**, especially underserved victims

**Summary of the Bill**

- Sec 1 – dedicated cash fund for WAGEES programs – until 9/1/23
- Sec 2 – dedicated cash fund for Community Crime Victims Grant Program – until 9/1/23
- Sec 3 – dedicated cash funds for Justice Reinvestment Crime Prevention – until 9/1/23
- Sec 4 – sunset review of Justice Reinvestment Crime Prevention in 2023 instead of 2020
- Sec 5 – safety clause

**Legislative History**

- Senate Judiciary 5-0
- Senate Appropriations – 10-0
- Senate 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading – 35-0