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Provides for the issuance of certain documentation and certification to inmates before their release from incarceration

Proposed law provides that the Department of Public Safety and Corrections (DPS&C) shall provide an inmate housed in a correctional facility and released from a term of imprisonment resulting from the commission of a felony offense, and who has designated his intended residence within the state, relevant documentation to assist with obtaining post-release employment; provides that DPS&C shall coordinate with the Office of Motor Vehicles (OMV) to determine if whether an inmate has any form of state ID card and begin the process of gathering documentation required to issue a special ID card within nine months prior to his release and provide a special ID to any eligible inmate without and ID or driver's license upon release; provides for valid forms of photo ID to obtain special ID card and allows for fees for its issuance; provides that DPS&C may use any available funds (inmate trust funds, department funds, etc.) to cover costs associated with implementation and administration; provides for exceptions; provides that for purposes of assisting an inmate with obtaining post-release employment, DPS&C shall provide a copy of the educational and vocational training credentials or certifications of the inmate earned during incarceration, work record, and birth certificate of an inmate, if applicable, and a social security card or replacement social security card, if obtainable; applies only to inmates in DPS&C's physical custody who are housed in a state facility.

EXPENDITURES	**2026-27**	**2027-28**	**2028-29**	**2029-30**	**2030-31**	**5 -YEAR TOTAL**
State Gen. Fd.	**SEE BELOW**	**SEE BELOW**	**SEE BELOW**	**SEE BELOW**	**SEE BELOW**	
Agy. Self-Gen.	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Ded./Other	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Federal Funds	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Local Funds	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Annual Total						

REVENUES	**2026-27**	**2027-28**	**2028-29**	**2029-30**	**2030-31**	**5 -YEAR TOTAL**
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Annual Total						

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may result in a minimal increase in SGF expenditures for the Department of Public Safety and Corrections - Public Safety and the Department of Public Safety and Corrections - Corrections Services, to the extent that Corrections Services issues documentation on educational and vocational training credentials, work records, birth certificates, and social security cards, to inmates pre- and post- release to aid reentry and employment, and to the extent that Public Safety implements changes to facilitate the release of inmates receiving a special ID card. The exact fiscal impact is indeterminable, because it is unknown the number of offenders within the inmate population that would be issued birth certificates and social security cards, or the number that would need special ID cards with the enactment of the proposed law.

The Office of Motor Vehicles reports that it can produce the new special ID cards upon completion of the new OMV CHAMP Solution, Drive 360 system, with no additional implementation costs.

Note: Currently, the cost that would be incurred to issue birth certificates for each inmate eligible to receive a birth certificate is $15.50 per inmate.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law results in an indeterminable impact on Self-Generated Revenue in the Department of Public Safety and Corrections - Public Safety (Office of Motor Vehicles) relative to the issuance of special ID cards for those offenders who choose to obtain a special ID card prior to release. A process is currently in place for Corrections Services to issue identification cards and driver's licenses, and through a Memorandum of Understanding that the Department of Public Safety and Corrections - Public Safety has with the Department of Corrections - Corrections Services, current driver's licenses and ID cards are issued at a cost of $32.25 and $27, respectively. New technology (CHAMP Solution, Drive 360) will be in place to produce the new special IDs. OMV estimates the cost of the special ID to be $18.

To the extent that those offenders who are not currently in possession of an ID card or driver's license elect to purchase a special ID, SGR may increase. To the extent that those offenders who would be eligible to obtain a driver's license or state ID card choose instead to obtain a special ID prior to release, SGR may decrease. The exact fiscal impact to Self-Generated Revenue is indeterminable, because it is unknown the number of offenders within the inmate population that would need or elect to purchase special ID cards with the enactment of the proposed law.

Senate Dual Referral Rules

☐ 13.5.1 >= $100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

☐ 13.5.2 >= $500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

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☐ 6.8(F)(1) >= $100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

☐ 6.8(G) >= $500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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