

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 541** HLS 20RS 687

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Provides relative to parole eligibility for certain persons		

PAROLE OR DECREASE GF EX See Note
Provides relative to parole eligibility for certain persons

Proposed law removed the present law prohibition and provides that person convicted of a sex offense or second or subsequent time for a crime of violence shall be eligible for parole consideration upon serving 75% of the sentence imposed. Proposed law amends present law to remove the age 45 requirement and removes the prohibition on eligibility for parole consideration for persons convicted of armed robbery, a crime of violence, or a sex offense. Proposed law amends present law to provide that an offender serving a life sentence shall be eligible for parole consideration if the offender has served at least 30 years of the sentence imposed.

EXPENDITURES	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	
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	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total						

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may result in an indeterminable decrease in SGF expenditures to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections - Correction Services (DPSC - CS) if any person is paroled under the specific provisions outlined in proposed law such as (1) persons convicted of a sex offense or second or subsequent time for a crime of violence shall be eligible for parole consideration upon serving 75% of the sentence imposed, (2) removes the age 45 requirement and removes the prohibition on eligibility for parole consideration for persons convicted of armed robbery, a crime of violence, or a sex offense and (3) provides that an offender serving a life sentence shall be eligible for parole consideration if the offender has served at least 30 years of the sentence imposed. The net expenditure impact is indeterminable as the number of offenders who may be granted parole is unknown.

SGF expenditures will decrease by \$64.50 (\$67.44 per offender per day if an offender is housed in a state facility minus \$2.94 per day cost for parole supervision) or \$23.45 (\$26.39 for a state offender housed in a local facility minus \$2.94 per day cost for parole supervision). An offender sentenced to the custody of the DPSC - CS for one year would decrease SGF expenditures by \$22,354.50 (\$64.50 per day x 365 days) if housed in a state facility and \$8,559.25 (\$22.45 per day x 365 days) if housed in a local facility. Approximately 50% of state offenders are housed in state facilities and approximately 50% are housed in local facilities.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will likely result in an increase of SGR to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections - Correction Services by an indeterminable amount. Any additional offenders released to parole as a result of the proposed change would pay a monthly parole fee of up to \$63 per present law. The net revenue impact is indeterminable as the number of offenders that may be granted parole is unknown.

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}

House
 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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