

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **SB 327** SLS 20RS 553  
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 Opp. Chamb. Action:  
 Proposed Amd.:  
 Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Subject:</b> Certain Records and Transcripts	

PUBLIC SFTY/CORRECT DEPT OR INCREASE GF EX See Note Page 1 of 1  
 Provides for certain records and transcripts to be provided to the inmate upon release from incarceration. (8/1/20)

Proposed law provides for specific records and transcripts be provided to inmates upon release; provides for terms and conditions; provides for retention of records; and provides that an inmate may obtain an additional copy of the record or request a copy be provided to a specified third party for a period of not less than five years.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
State Gen. Fd.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
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
<b>Annual Total</b>						
<b>REVENUES</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

Proposed law will result in an indeterminable increase in SGF expenditures to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections - Correction Services (DPSC - CS) to provide for certain records and transcripts to be provided to a person upon release from incarceration. The records would contain information such as good time earned, work history, courses taken, grades earned, and programs and certifications completed. Proposed law provides that DPSC - CS shall verify authenticity of the record provided to the offender and shall maintain a copy of the record provided to the offender for not less than five (5) years. Proposed law provides that the person may obtain an additional copy and may authorize the department to provide a copy of the record to a third party. Therefore, for any person released from the custody due to completion of sentences, probation, or parole, DPSC-CS would realize an increased workload, increased costs to produce copies of the required information to be sent with the individual at release, and increased costs to produce additional copies and mail them to third parties at the individuals request in the future. These costs will vary between offenders, and will be dependent upon the volume of documents necessary to record all required information and the frequency the individual requests those documents to be forwarded to third parties in the future.

*NOTE: DPSC-CS provides a copy of master records, including certain records and transcripts, to those who are initially released. The information is also available post-release upon request. While enactment of proposed law may increase awareness among the general population that documents are available post-release upon request, the LFO concludes these current DPSC-CS practices likely mitigate potential expenditure exposures and will limit such exposures to a minimal amount.*

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

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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