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Fiscal Note



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Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Provides relative to parole eligibility

Current law provides for parole eligibility. Proposed law provides that any person serving a fixed term or terms of imprisonment that results in a period of incarceration of 30 years or more and who was at least 18 years of age but not more than 20 years of age at the time of the commission of the offense shall be eligible for parole consideration if all of the following conditions have been met - (1) the person is a first-time offender who has not been convicted of a sex offense or an offense punishable by life imprisonment, (2) the offender has served at least 25 years of the sentence imposed, (3) the offender has not committed any minor disciplinary offenses in the 36 consecutive months prior to the parole hearing date, (4) the offender has completed a mandatory minimum of 100 hours of prerelease programming, (5) the offender has completed substance abuse treatment, (6) the offender has obtained or completed a literacy program, an adult basic education program, a high school equivalency certificate, (7) the offender has obtained a low-risk designation determined by a validated risk assessment instrument approved by the Secretary of the Department of Corrections, and (8) the offender has completed a reentry program to be determined by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections.

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
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Annual Total

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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may result in an indeterminable decrease in SGF expenditures in the Department of Public Safety & Corrections-Corrections Services (DPS&C), to the extent that an additional class of offenders is added to the list of offenders eligible for parole consideration and are released subject to parole supervision. The proposed law has the effect of adding a class of offenders to the list of offenders eligible for parole consideration. The exact fiscal impact to DPS&C-CS is indeterminable, because it is unknown how many persons within the class of eligible offenders will be granted an earlier release and serve a reduced sentence due to the enactment of the proposed law.

Any offender serving less time in custody of DPS&C-CS will decrease SGF expenditures by \$107.60 per offender per day if housed in a state facility or \$29.39 per offender per day if housed in a local facility. An offender sentenced to the custody of the DPS&C-CS and granted parole release will decrease expenditures by \$39,724 annually (\$107.60 per day x 365 days) if housed in a state facility and \$10,727 annually (\$29.39 per day x 365 days) if housed in a local facility.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may result in an indeterminable increase in Self-Generated Revenue to DPS&C - Probation and Parole to the extent any inmate included within the impacted class of offenders is released on parole supervision as a result of enactment of the proposed legislation. The exact impact to Self-Generated Revenue is indeterminable, because it is unknown how many persons within the class of eligible offenders will be granted an earlier release and be subject to parole supervision due to the enactment of the proposed law. The current daily parole supervision rate for adult offenders is \$6.67 per day, which would result in an annual increase of \$2,434 SGR (\$6.67 x 365) in parole supervision.

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

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

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

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

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

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