

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 0382-01  
Bill No.: HB 118  
Subject: Medical Procedures and Personnel; Department of Corrections  
Type: Original  
Date: February 11, 2009

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Bill Summary: The proposal requires all inmates receiving on-site medical examination and treatment from correctional center personnel to be charged 25 cents per visit.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

| <b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>                   |                                  |                                  |                                  |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| FUND AFFECTED   | FY 2010                          | FY 2011                          | FY 2012                          |
| General Revenue   | (Unknown) to<br>\$40,000         | (Unknown) to<br>\$40,000         | (Unknown) to<br>\$40,000         |
|   |                                  |                                  |                                  |
| <b>Total Estimated<br/>Net Effect on<br/>General Revenue<br/>Fund</b> | <b>(Unknown) to<br/>\$40,000</b> | <b>(Unknown) to<br/>\$40,000</b> | <b>(Unknown) to<br/>\$40,000</b> |

| <b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>                      |            |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|------------|
| FUND AFFECTED   | FY 2010    | FY 2011    | FY 2012    |
|   |            |            |            |
|   |            |            |            |
| <b>Total Estimated<br/>Net Effect on <u>Other</u><br/>State Funds</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> |

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
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| <b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>                  |            |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|------------|
| FUND AFFECTED   | FY 2010    | FY 2011    | FY 2012    |
|   |            |            |            |
|   |            |            |            |
| <b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> |

| <b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)</b> |          |          |          |
|---|----------|----------|----------|
| FUND AFFECTED   | FY 2010  | FY 2011  | FY 2012  |
|   |          |          |          |
|   |          |          |          |
| <b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>                  | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> |

☐ Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).

☐ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

| <b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b> |            |            |            |
|--|------------|------------|------------|
| FUND AFFECTED                              | FY 2010    | FY 2011    | FY 2012    |
| <b>Local Government</b>                    | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> |

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Corrections (DOC)** state the money which may be generated by passage of this bill may not be sufficient to be cost effective to implement even if the funds could be utilized by the DOC. In summary, fiscal impact for the DOC is unknown per each fiscal year. DOC notes they use a contractor for medical services and do not directly employ the staff who provide medical examination and treatment for the offenders.

**Oversight** assumes funds collected by passage of this proposal would be deposited into the General Revenue Fund. Oversight received information from the Department of Corrections which indicated in FY 2007, there were 157,233 physician visits by inmates. This does not include nursing, dental, chronic care, or mandatory testing visits. Based on this information, Oversight assumes the charge to inmates for medical treatment could generate revenues of up to \$40,000 per fiscal year. Since the administrative costs are unknown, Oversight has reflected the net effect on the general revenue fund as a range from (Unknown) to \$40,000 per fiscal year.

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>             | FY 2010<br>(10 Mo.)          | FY 2011                      | FY 2012                      |
|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>                         |                              |                              |                              |
| <u>Revenues</u> – Department of Corrections         |                              |                              |                              |
| Charge to inmates for medical treatment             | Up to \$40,000               | Up to \$40,000               | Up to \$40,000               |
| <u>Costs</u> – Department of Corrections            |                              |                              |                              |
| Administrative costs to collect and monitor funds   | (Unknown)                    | (Unknown)                    | (Unknown)                    |
| <b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b> | <u>(Unknown) to \$40,000</u> | <u>(Unknown) to \$40,000</u> | <u>(Unknown) to \$40,000</u> |

FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government

FY 2010  
(10 Mo.)

FY 2011

FY 2012

\$0

\$0

\$0

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

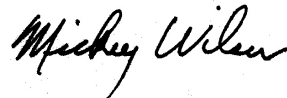
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposal requires any inmate receiving on-site medical examination or treatment from the correctional facility's medical personnel to be assessed 25 cents per visit.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Corrections



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