

2018 SESSION OPERATING BUDGET AMENDMENT PROPOSAL

OFFERED IN: House Finance Department of Corrections Budget Subcommittee

TO: HB 285 / HB 286

OFFERED BY: Representative Kawasaki

DEPARTMENT: Department of Corrections

APPROPRIATION: Population Management

ALLOCATION: Facility-Capital Improvement Unit

TRANSFER: The Facility-Capital Improvement Unit allocation to a new Facility-Capital Improvement Unit appropriation (see below). The transfer includes all funding and positions in this allocation.

CREATE NEW APPROPRIATION: Facility-Capital Improvement Unit

EXPLANATION: This amendment funds the FY19 request for the Facility-Capital Improvement Unit. However, by creating a separate appropriation, it insures that the funding may be expended only for facility maintenance and repairs.

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OFFERED IN: The House Finance Subcommittee

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OFFERED BY: Representative Tammie Wilson

DEPARTMENT: Corrections

APPROPRIATION: Population Management

ALLOCATION: Electronic Monitoring

TRANSFER OUT: (\$750,000) UGF, 1004, Services

DEPARTMENT: Corrections

NEW APPROPRIATION: Substance Abuse Monitoring and Diversion Services

NEW ALLOCATION: Substance Abuse Monitoring and Diversion Services

TRANSFER IN: \$750,000 UGF 1004, Services

EXPLANATION: This amendment establishes a new Appropriation and Allocation in the department to establish a substance abuse program. Individuals with charges involving a nexus to alcohol or substance abuse will be required to participate in a program established under AS 47.38.020. Funding for this program will come from current electronic monitoring funds within the Department as a result of this increment/decrement request.

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DEPARTMENT: Corrections

APPROPRIATION: Administration and Support

ALLOCATION: Office of the Commissioner

DELETE: (\$264,804) UGF 1004, Personal Services

POSITIONS: Delete 2 PFT positions

EXPLANATION: The Department created 3 new exempt Professional Conduct Investigator positions and established a new Department of Corrections Internal Investigative Unit which were included in the FY 18 budget request. A transfer of \$714,500 from the Services line item of the Community Residential Centers (CRC) allocation was made to fund the costs of this new unit. The CRC funds were identified by the Department as no longer being needed to operate the CRC program due to a reduction in the number of beds in CRC contracts. These positions and funding are budgeted in the Correctional Academy allocation in the FY 19 Governor's request.

The FY 19 Governor's Budget Request includes an increment for two additional new positions in the Professional Conduct Investigation Unit. The FY 19 budget request for these positions and funding are in this allocation versus the Correctional Academy allocation. This amendment deletes the new positions and the funding for the positions at the post-vacancy cost (budgeted costs of \$273,728 less 3.26% vacancy factor for this allocation).

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APPROPRIATION: Administration and Support

ALLOCATION: Research and Records

DELETE: (\$229,483) UGF 1004, Personal Services

POSITIONS: Delete 2 PFT Positions

EXPLANATION: PCN's 20-6130, 20-6162, 20-6914 and 20-6920 and funding were transferred from the Palmer allocation to Information Technology MIS allocation in FY 17 when the Palmer Correctional Center closed. All positions were vacant in FY 18 and no recruitment had started during the last legislative session, therefore the Finance Subcommittee deleted the positions. They were reinstated by the House Finance Committee.

All four positions were vacant as of 1/11/18. PCN's 20-6130 and 20-6162 were transferred to this allocation in the Governor's FY 19 Budget Request and reclassified. This amendment deletes the positions and the associated post-vacancy personal service costs of \$229,483 (\$235,706 position costs less vacancy factor of 2.64% in this allocation).

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DEPARTMENT: Corrections

APPROPRIATION: Administration and Support

ALLOCATION: Information Technology MIS

DELETE: (\$198,022) UGF 1004, Personal Services

POSITIONS: Delete 2 PFT Positions

EXPLANATION: PCN's 20-6130, 20-6162, 20-6914 and 20-6920 and funding were transferred from the Palmer allocation to Information Technology MIS allocation in FY 17 when the Palmer Correctional Center closed. All positions were vacant in FY 18 and no recruitment had started during the last legislative session, therefore the Finance Subcommittee deleted the positions. They were reinstated by the House Finance Committee.

All four positions were vacant as of 1/11/18. This amendment deletes PCN's 20-6914 and 20-6920 and the associated post-vacancy personal service costs of \$198,022 (\$206,273 position costs less vacancy factor of 4.0% in this allocation).

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DEPARTMENT: Corrections

APPROPRIATION: Administration and Support

ALLOCATION: Information Technology MIS

DELETE: (\$500,000) UGF 1004, Services

EXPLANATION: Actual expenditures in the Services line item for Information Technology (Professional Service costs related to consultant fees, outsource contracts, etc) were \$292,500 in FY 16 and \$590,900 in FY 17. This amendment reduces this allocation by \$500,000 to an FY 19 budget request level of \$716,000 which is more than that expended in either FY 16 or FY 17.

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APPROPRIATION: Population Management

ALLOCATION: Inmate Transportation

DELETE: (\$10,700) UGF 1004 Services

(\$130,600) UGF 1004 Commodities

EXPLANATION: This amendment reduces the Department's FY 19 increment request for SB 91 reductions that were taken in FY 18 to the actual amount taken. The Department requested an increment in this allocation of \$274,600, however the actual amount of the reduction in this allocation in FY 18 was \$133,300. This reduction effectively reinstates the total FY 18 reduction taken in this allocation.

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DEPARTMENT: Department of Corrections

APPROPRIATION: Population Management

ALLOCATION: Anchorage Correctional Center

DELETE: (\$74,500) UGF 1004 Personal Services

(\$1,373,100) UGF 1004 Services

(\$492,800) UGF 1004 Commodities

EXPLANATION: This amendment reduces the Department's FY 19 increment request for SB 91 reductions that were taken in FY 18 to the actual amount taken. The Department requested an increment in this allocation of \$3,217,100, however the actual amount of the reduction in this allocation in FY 18 was \$1,276,700. This reduction effectively reinstates the total FY 18 reduction taken in this allocation.

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DEPARTMENT: Department of Corrections

APPROPRIATION: Population Management

ALLOCATION: Combined Hiland Mountain Correctional Center

DELETE: (\$241,100) UGF 1004 Services

EXPLANATION: This amendment reduces the Department's FY 19 increment request for SB 91 reductions that were taken in FY 18 to the actual amount taken. The Department requested an increment in this allocation of \$819,400, however the actual amount of the reduction in this allocation in FY 18 was \$578,300. This reduction effectively reinstates the total FY 18 reduction taken in this allocation.

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DEPARTMENT: Department of Corrections

APPROPRIATION: Population Management

ALLOCATION: Fairbanks Correctional Center

DELETE: (\$265,100) UGF 1004 Services

EXPLANATION: This amendment reduces the Department's FY 19 increment request for SB 91 reductions that were taken in FY 18 to the actual amount taken. The Department requested an increment in this allocation of \$754,600, however the actual amount of the reduction in this allocation in FY 18 was \$489,500. This reduction effectively reinstates the total FY 18 reduction taken in this allocation.

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DEPARTMENT: Department of Corrections

APPROPRIATION: Population Management

ALLOCATION: Lemon Creek Correctional Center

DELETE: (\$132,900) UGF 1004 Services
(\$118,800) UGF 1004 Commodities

EXPLANATION: This amendment reduces the Department's FY 19 increment request for SB 91 reductions that were taken in FY 18 to the actual amount taken. The Department requested an increment in this allocation of \$698,800, however the actual amount of the reduction in this allocation in FY 18 was \$447,100. This reduction effectively reinstates the total FY 18 reduction taken in this allocation.

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DEPARTMENT: Department of Corrections

APPROPRIATION: Population Management

ALLOCATION: Spring Creek Correctional Center

DELETE: (\$2,277,900) UGF 1004 Services
(\$264,200) UGF 1004 Commodities

EXPLANATION: This amendment reduces the Department's FY 19 increment request for SB 91 reductions that were taken in FY 18 to the actual amount taken. The Department requested an increment in this allocation of \$3,484,500, however the actual amount of the reduction in this allocation in FY 18 was \$942,400. This reduction effectively reinstates the total FY 18 reduction taken in this allocation.

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DEPARTMENT: Department of Corrections

APPROPRIATION: Population Management

ALLOCATION: Yukon-Kuskokwim Correctional Center

DELETE: (\$255,500) UGF 1004 Personal Services

(\$138,600) UGF 1004 Services

(\$104,000) UGF 1004 Commodities

EXPLANATION: This amendment reduces the Department's FY 19 increment request for SB 91 reductions that were taken in FY 18 to the actual amount taken. The Department requested an increment in this allocation of \$845,200, however the actual amount of the reduction in this allocation in FY 18 was \$347,100. This reduction effectively reinstates the total FY 18 reduction taken in this allocation.

2018 SESSION OPERATING BUDGET STATUTORY CHANGE PROPOSAL

OFFERED IN: House Finance Department of Corrections

TO: AS 12.30.006 – AS 12.30.011

OFFERED BY: Representative Kawasaki

RECOMMENDED STATUTE CHANGE: The subcommittee encourages the standing committee to support the provision in the Governor's HB 295 that would create an exception to the requirement of mandatory own recognizance release for persons charged with a misdemeanor or class C felony who are assessed by a pretrial services officer as low to moderate risk and have an out-of-state criminal history that has not been used in determining the person's risk level.

EXPLANATION: Currently, a person charged with a misdemeanor that does not include an offense under AS 11.41, AS 11.56.730, 11.56.757, AS 28.35.030, or 28.35.032, a sex offense as defined in AS 12.63.100, or a crime involving domestic violence as defined in AS 18.66.990 and who is assessed by a pretrial services officer as "low to moderate risk" shall be released on their own recognizance or upon an unsecured appearance or performance bond, without taking into account out-of-state criminal history. Similarly, a person charged with a class C felony that does not include an offense under AS 11.41, AS 11.56.730, AS 28.35.030, or 28.35.032, a sex offense as defined in AS 12.63.100, or a crime involving domestic violence as defined in AS 18.66.990 and who is assessed by a pretrial services officer as "low risk" shall be released on their own recognizance or upon an unsecured appearance or performance bond, without taking into account out-of-state criminal history. The Governor's HB 295 would make it possible for out-of-state criminal history to be included in the risk analysis for persons in pretrial, even for those who would otherwise qualify for mandatory release on their own recognizance.

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OFFERED BY: Representative Lincoln

DEPARTMENT: Department of Corrections

APPROPRIATION: Population Management

ADD INTENT LANGUAGE: It is the intent of the legislature that the Commissioner of the Department of Corrections will prioritize funding and implement solutions that reduce the disparity in Alaska Native incarceration throughout the state.

EXPLANATION: Alaska Native individuals are incarcerated at a drastically higher rate than any other demographic group in the state. The underlying causes of this (e.g. systemic racism, economic disparity, etc.) must be accounted for in developing and implementing appropriate solutions to resolve this disparity of incarceration within the Alaska corrections system.

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DEPARTMENT: Department of Corrections

APPROPRIATION: Population Management

ALLOCATION: Electronic Monitoring

ADD INTENT LANGUAGE: It is the intent of the legislature that the Commissioner of the Department of Corrections will prioritize expanding the Electronic Monitoring program to Bethel.

EXPLANATION: Expanding electronic monitoring in Bethel will help reduce adverse impacts of conviction to low-risk individuals by allowing them to stay connected to healthy social and work networks in the community, reducing the risk of recidivism that accompanies separation from work and family. Currently, electronic monitoring is offered in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau, Kenai, Ketchikan, and Palmer. There are Regional and Community jail operated electronic monitoring programs in Barrow, Kodiak, and Sitka. So far this year, the total average number of inmates on electronic monitoring in Alaska is 205. Anchorage accounts for 116, Fairbanks has 39, Palmer has 28, Juneau has averaged 11 and Kenai is at 7. All others have averaged less than 1.

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OFFERED BY: Representative Talerico

DEPARTMENT: Department of Corrections
APPROPRIATION: Administration and Support
ALLOCATION: Office of the Commissioner

ADD: It is the intent of the legislature that the Commissioner of Corrections take full advantage of the cost savings available through the tiered pricing structure as stated in the CRC contracts, by maximizing prisoner placement into these facilities.

EXPLANATION: Currently the State pays \$162.49 per bed, per day in a correctional facility. If utilized, the CRCs do significantly reduce the daily cost of housing prisoners. However, to realize these significant savings each CRC must be more fully occupied.