

**2025 Legislature - Operating Budget
Wordage Report - Senate Subcom Structure
Closeout Draft - April 14, 2025**

GovAmd+ **Agency: Department of Corrections**
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Ap: Population Management

AI: Anchorage Correctional Complex
Conditional Language

The amount allocated for the Anchorage Correctional Complex includes the unexpended and unobligated balance on June 30, 2025, of federal receipts received by the Department of Corrections through manday billings.

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Intent

It is the intent of the legislature the State of Alaska, through the Department of Corrections (DOC), no longer covers the full cost of unsentenced federal inmates housed in State facilities. The legislature urges the Department to coordinate with the Department of Law to either receive adequate daily funding for federal inmates housed in State facilities or to determine a method for them to be housed at a federal or private facility until court hearings. DOC and Department of Law shall then submit a joint response to the Co-chairs of the Finance committees and to the Legislative Finance Division by December 20, 2025, outlining the determined terms, number of federal inmates housed in State facilities by day in 2025 and the final cost associated to the State, if any.

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AI: Spring Creek Correctional Center

Intent

It is the intent of the legislature that the Department of Corrections permanently close one housing unit at Spring Creek Correctional Facility. Closing one unit will allow the Department to direct personnel resources to other areas of the facility, reduce overtime, and find efficiencies. The Department shall provide a report to the Co-chairs of the Finance committees and to the Legislative Finance Division by December 20, 2025, detailing the efforts taken towards closing a housing unit, and resulting cost savings and efficiencies.

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AI: Pre-Trial Services

Intent

It is the intent of the legislature to reduce the Department of Corrections (DOC), Pre-Trial Services program by approximately forty percent to align with its original purpose. The Pre-Trial Services program understandably grew exponentially during COVID and is now operating beyond its intent to: provide the Courts with a risk assessment; provide telephonic supervision for higher-risk defendants with release conditions and some moderate-risk defendants who have been released; and provide enhanced supervision via face-to-face or electronic monitoring for highest-risk defendants who make up less than twenty percent of those supervised. The program was not intended to supervise those who violate conditions of release, repeatedly tamper with electronic monitoring equipment, or score low on the risk assessment. The legislature urges DOC to work with the Courts to align orders with the program's original intent and encourage the use of other supervision options such as own recognizance (OR) and third-party providers. The Department shall provide a detailed status report to the Co-chairs of the Finance committees and

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to the Legislative Finance Division by December 20, 2025.

AI: Regional and Community Jails

Intent

It is the intent of the legislature that the Department of Corrections continue the reform of the Regional and Community Jails program. Since the program's inception, public safety has changed in the state and jails are not utilized to the same extent. Therefore, the Department should renegotiate FY27 contracts by reducing the bed count by two-thirds if the individual community's unused bed rate was over sixty percent, when FY24 and FY25 are averaged, and any other corresponding costs. This realignment prevents closures and allows communities to maintain a jail with a more appropriate bed count and cost to the State. The Department shall issue a status report to the to the Co-chairs of the Finance committees and to the Legislative Finance Division by December 20, 2025.

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Ap: Electronic Monitoring

AI: Electronic Monitoring

Conditional Language

The amount allocated for Electronic Monitoring includes the unexpended and unobligated balance on June 30, 2025, of program receipts from electronic monitoring fees.

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