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 Title An Act relating to good time and release on BRU Administration and Operations
mandatory parole. Component All
 Sponsor Senator Donley
 Requester Senate Judiciary Committee Component Serial No. #0694

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual	63.0	63.0	63.0	63.0	63.0	63.0
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous				83.1	576.0	824.0
TOTAL OPERATING	63.0	63.0	63.0	146.1	639.0	887.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
CHANGE IN REVENUES ()						

FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	63.0	63.0	63.0	146.1	639.0	887.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type)						
TOTAL	63.0	63.0	63.0	146.1	639.0	887.0

Estimate of any current year (FY99) cost: 00

POSITIONS

Full-time						
Part-time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: *(Attach a separate page if necessary)*

See attached analysis.

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Assumptions:

1. This fiscal note does not provide costs for inmates who have sentences less than two years. The Dept. of Corrections is unable to estimate the costs for section three of Senate Bill 1 due to the large number inmates and the wide range of sentences.

2. The Dept. of Corrections estimates that approximately 200 inmates convicted per year will be subject to the diploma/G.E.D requirement contained in sections one and two of SB 1. This number was arrived at by assessing data submitted by the Dept. of Corrections to the Bureau of Justice for the Violent Offender Incarceration Act (VOIA) grant. The VOIA grant application does not count inmates who have received a life sentence or some crimes that would still bring a sentence of two or more years. Therefore the 200 inmate number is believed to be conservative as there are inmates who receive 2 year or greater sentences that are not included.

3. Assuming 35% of the 200 inmates would already have their diploma/G.E.D, the remaining 130 inmates would be subject to the requirements in SB 1 and would risk losing their statutory good time credit if they failed to obtain their diploma/G.E.D prior to their mandatory parole release date.

4. Assuming that eight percent of the 130 remaining inmates were incapable of obtaining a diploma/G.E.D, the remaining number subject to the provisions of SB 1 would be approximately 120. Incapable is not defined in this legislation and is assumed by the Dept. of Corrections that it means mentally incapable.

It is estimated it will cost approximately \$5,000 in contractual services to administer the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) to assess the 120 inmates literacy/education level.

It is estimated it will cost approximately \$8,000 in contractual services per year to make determinations whether an inmate is capable of obtaining a diploma/G.E.D.

It is estimated it will cost approximately \$50,000 in contractual services for teaching/tutoring services in addition to current DOC expenditures for educational services.

It is estimated that approximately fifteen percent (18 inmates) of the 120 inmates participating will fail/refuse to obtain their diploma/G.E.D. Estimating the average sentence for these inmates at five years, they would not be eligible for their one-third statutory good time deduction and would remain incarcerated for an additional 608 days at a cost of \$45,782 per inmate (half at institution rate / half at CRC rate = \$75.30 per day).