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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT



SPONSOR: Sanchez DATE TYPED: 01/28/02 HB _____

SHORT TITLE: Adult Correctional Officer Salary Increase SB 192

ANALYST: Trujillo

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY02	FY03	FY02	FY03		
	\$3,562.0			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to Appropriation in The General Appropriation Act
Relates to SB 191 and 195

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received

Children Youth and Families Department (CYFD)
Corrections Department (CD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 192 appropriates \$3,562.0 million from the general fund to CD for the purpose of increasing the salaries of adult correctional officers and jailers.

Significant Issues

CD reports the department has experienced difficulty in recruiting and retaining correctional officers. This has resulted in the need to require correctional officers to work a high number of overtime hours each week. This appropriation would reduce turnover and improve recruitment of correctional officers, which would in turn reduce the number of hours of overtime that correctional officers are required to work.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$3,562.0 million contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2003 shall revert to the general fund.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

CD indicates the bill is likely to improve recruitment and retention of correctional officers, it should reduce the strain upon correctional officers who are currently required to work a high number of overtime hours as well as decrease the administrative burden upon supervisors who are constantly faced with the difficulty of staffing mandatory posts through the use of overtime.

RELATIONSHIP

This bill relates to SB 191 and SB 195.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

CD reports this bill would improve the performance of the department's prison programs, by improving the recruitment and retention of correctional officers and thereby reducing the number of overtime hours worked by correctional officers.

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