



County correctional facility. AODA has indicated that without the appropriation provided in SB 183, the Fourth Judicial District Attorney's ability to continue the operation of the prison prosecution unit would be adversely affected.

Additionally, the Public Defender Department (PDD) has responded to SB 183 (a near duplicate to SB 396) by indicating that the bill does not appropriate any funding to PDD, an agency with an adversarial role against the Fourth Judicial District Attorney on the issue of the cases stemming from the 1999 riot at the Guadalupe County correctional facility.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The appropriation of \$539.1 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY03 shall revert to the general fund.

### **RELATIONSHIP**

SB 396 relates to SB 183 which contains a \$539.2 general fund appropriation for continued funding of a prison prosecution unit within the Fourth Judicial District Attorney's office. SB 396 also relates to HB 189 which is a duplicate to SB 183.

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