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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Aragon DATE TYPED 2-8-04 HB _____

SHORT TITLE Inmate Family and Reintegration Programs SB 433

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APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY04	FY05	FY04	FY05		
	\$30.0			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Corrections Department
Public Defender

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 433 appropriates \$30 thousand from the general fund to the Corrections Department for expenditure in FY05 to fund programs to provide support groups and coping skills for families of inmates and to provide reintegration skills and support for inmates. Unexpended balances revert at the end of FY05.

Significant Issues

The Corrections Department points out that they have recently implemented a family services coordinator position to provide some of the services that are to be funded by this appropriation.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Senate Bill 433 appropriates \$30 thousand to the Corrections Department in FY05 to fund programs to provide support groups and coping skills to families of inmates, as well as reintegration skills and support for inmates. The Corrections Department believes they could use some or all of the funds to contract for such services; or use some or all of the funds to support the Depart-

ment's new Family Services Coordinator.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The Corrections Department believes that Senate Bill 433 would result in a minimal increase in the administrative burden on the family services coordinator and perhaps procurement staff. This burden could be absorbed.

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