

**SB 992 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Senate Committee On Judiciary**

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**Meeting Dates:** 4/4

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Requires Department of Corrections to study adequacy of county funding for community corrections.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

-1 Establishes pilot program through Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) to provide permanent supportive housing for individuals recently released from custody. Specifies purpose of pilot is to reduce recidivism, increase housing stability, and reduce use of emergency room and inpatient services. Specifies program requirements, including at least 36 months of supportive housing for adults released from custody within prior six months who need housing, are at a medium to very high risk of recidivating, and have at least six months of post-prison supervision remaining. Specifies preference should be given to individuals who are ineligible for federal housing resources due to criminal history. Requires grant recipient to track objectively measurable data regarding recidivism rates, housing stability, and use of emergency rooms and inpatient services. Requires grant recipient to report at least annually on goals and must including accounting of moneys received through grant and explanation of how that money was spent. Requires CJC to report to interim committee related to judiciary no later than September 15, 2021. Appropriates \$3,200,000 from General Fund for administering pilot program.

**BACKGROUND:**

Senate Bill 992 requires the Department of Corrections to study the adequacy of funding for community corrections and report to legislative committees relating to judiciary no later than September 15, 2020.