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Measure: HB 3274

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Measure Description:

Directs Department of Corrections to develop strengths-based release planning assessment.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Criminal Justice Commission (CJC), Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision (BPPPS), Department of Corrections (DOC)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

Analysis:

House Bill 2374 directs the Department of Corrections to develop a strengths-based release planning assessment and requires them to assess adults in custody at least 270 days prior to their release. The assessment must include a recommendation for the county of initial residence after release.

The Department of Corrections (DOC) anticipates a fiscal impact from this measure due to requirement that DOC develop and administer the release planning assessment for all adults in custody, including those in local jails. DOC believes this measure would require significant collaboration with county jails and community partners as well as workload increases from implementing and monitoring the release planning assessment. In order to perform this work, DOC identifies a staff need of 62 new positions, and a total fiscal impact of \$10,286,134 General Fund for the 2021-23 biennium, and \$14,287,722 General Fund in the 2023-25 biennium.

The Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) and the Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision (BPPPS) do not anticipate a fiscal impact from this measure. BPPPS will use the DOC-developed release planning assessment when making supervision decisions, but this would not have an operational impact on the Board.

This measure warrants a subsequent referral to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of its budgetary impact on the State's General Fund.

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