

## **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

### **Item 5: Department of Corrections Federal Grant Award Limitation**

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To: Ways and Means Full Committee  
From: Public Safety Subcommittee  
Carrier: Representative Lewis

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The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends that the Joint Interim Committee on Ways and Means recommend including an increase of \$1,729,649 in Federal Funds expenditure limitation for the Department of Corrections in a budget reconciliation bill during the 2024 legislative session for the expenditure of federal grant awards.

The increase in Federal Funds expenditure limitation is to accommodate three individual grant awards received by the Department of Corrections. Two of the grants were first approved and awarded last biennium but have some remaining funding that requires limitation to expend in 2023-25.

The third is a new grant for a braille transcription and certification program that the Department received permission to apply for in March 2023, and has been notified of receiving the maximum award of \$900,000.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends approval.