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Revised Fiscal Note

(replaces fiscal note dated March 13, 2023)

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Prime Sponsors:	Sen. Coleman Rep. Bacon	Bill Status:	House Appropriations
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Bill Topic: PARTICIPANT FACILITATED RECIDIVISM REDUCTION PROGRAM

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill requires the Department of Corrections to contract with a nonprofit to develop a pre-release and reentry program at the Sterling Correctional Facility. The bill increases state expenditures in FY 2023-24 only.

Appropriation Summary: The bill requires and includes an appropriation of \$100,000 to the Department of Corrections.

Fiscal Note Status: The revised fiscal note reflects the reengrossed bill, as amended by the House Judiciary Committee.

**Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts Under SB 23-067**

		Budget Year FY 2023-24	Out Year FY 2024-25
Revenue		-	-
Expenditures	General Fund	\$100,000	-
Transfers		-	-
Other Budget Impacts	General Fund Reserve	\$15,000	-

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires the Department of Corrections to contract with a third-party organization to develop and study strategies for implementing a pre-release and reentry program at the Sterling Correctional Facility by August 1, 2023. The organization must consult with facility residents to design a program that provides participants with resources to support rehabilitation and to reduce recidivism upon release from the Sterling facility. The contractor must conduct an implementation study to evaluate the costs, challenges, and benefits of the program, and report recommendations to the General Assembly on December 31, 2023. By September 1, 2024, and subject to available appropriations, the DOC must operate the program developed by the contractor until September 1, 2029.

State Expenditures

In FY 2023-24 only, the bill will increase expenditures in the DOC by \$100,000 to contract with a third-party organization. This amount is based on contractor costs in the DOC for prior legislation. In addition, workload to the DOC will increase to modify computer programming to collect data points required by the bill. This work can be accomplished within existing appropriations. Starting in FY 2024-25, expenditures in the DOC may increase to implement the recommended program. Because costs are dependent on recommendations presented by the third party, the fiscal note cannot estimate impacts of administering the program. Any required increase in appropriations will be requested through the annual budget process.

Other Budget Impacts

General Fund reserve. Under current law, an amount equal to 15 percent of General Fund appropriations must be set aside in the General Fund statutory reserve. Based on this fiscal note, the bill is expected to increase the amount of General Fund held in reserve by the amounts shown in Table 1, decreasing the amount of General Fund available for other purposes.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State Appropriations

For FY 2023-24, the bill requires and includes an appropriation of \$100,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Corrections.

State and Local Government Contacts

Corrections

Information Technology