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HB 18-1437

FINAL
FISCAL NOTE

Drafting Number: LLS 18-1271
Prime Sponsors: Rep. Herod
Sen. Neville T.

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Bill Status: Signed into Law
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Bill Topic: COSTS OF COLLEGE-LEVEL COURSES IN CORR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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

This bill allows additional and a combination of funding sources to be used to pay for college-level academic programs offered to inmates in the Department of Corrections. It may increase state revenue and expenditures from any gifts, grants, or donations received to pay for such programs on an ongoing basis.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

Summary of Legislation

Under current law, the correctional education program in the Department of Corrections (DOC) must provide educational services to inmates. One of the program's objectives is to provide inmates with college-level aptitudes the opportunity to participate in any college-level academic programs that are offered in the facility, provided the costs are paid with private or federally funded grants and scholarships or by the participant. This bill clarifies that the program costs may be paid for from a combination of sources, including local grants.

State Revenue and Expenditures

Beginning in FY 2018-19, the bill may increase state revenue and expenditures from any gifts, grants, and donations received to pay for college-level academic programs for DOC inmates. Any gifts, grants, or donations received by the DOC are exempt from the provisions of TABOR. The fiscal note assumes that while the DOC may need additional spending authority, the bill does not increase expenditures from state funds. As such, no additional appropriations are required.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on June 6, 2018, and takes effect August 8, 2018 assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Corrections

Information Technology