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Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 22-0866 **Date:** April 12, 2022 Bill Status: House Judiciary **Prime Sponsors:** Rep. Herod Sen. Rodriguez Fiscal Analyst: Aaron Carpenter | 303-866-4918 Aaron.Carpenter@state.co.us **Bill Topic:** COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROGRAMS ACCESS Summary of ☐ State Revenue □ TABOR Refund **Fiscal Impact:** □ Local Government □ State Transfer ☐ Statutory Public Entity The bill requires the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice to create a task force to study the appropriateness of community correction programs for persons convicted of misdemeanors and allows General Fund to be used to pay for community corrections placements in certain cases. The bill increases state workload in FY 2022-23 only and may increase General Fund expenditures starting in FY 2022-23. **Appropriation** No appropriation is required. Summary: **Fiscal Note** The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

Status:

The bill requires the Colorado Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice (CCJJ) to create a task force to examine and make findings and recommendations on whether it is appropriate to improve access to community correction programs for persons convicted of misdemeanors. The task force is made up of 13 individuals and must be convened by July 29, 2022. By July 1, 2023, the task force must report on its findings and recommendations to the CCJJ. The report must also be presented as a part of the Department of Public Safety's (DPS) SMART Act hearing.

Finally, the bill allows General Fund to be used to fund community correction programs for individuals who are placed in a program as a term and condition of probation.

State Expenditures

In FY 2022-23 only, workload in the DPS will increase for the CCJJ to create a task force to study the issues outlined in the bill. The fiscal note assumes that the work required by the bill already falls within the scope of work of the CCJJ and that the CCJJ will use current appropriations to fulfill the requirements.

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Starting in FY 2022-23, the bill may increase General Fund expenditures to the extent the General Assembly chooses to appropriate General Fund to community correction programs for individuals sentenced to community corrections as a term and condition of probation. For informational purposes, in FY 2021-22, the General Assembly appropriated \$2.7 million from the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund to pay for condition of probation placements.

Effective Date

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

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