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Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors: Sen. Coleman **Bill Status:** Senate Judiciary
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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 operate the Re-Imagine Pilot Program at the Sterling Correctional Facility. From FY 2023-24 through FY 2027-28, the bill increases state workload.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

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

Summary of Legislation

From FY 2023-24 through FY 2027-28, the bill requires the Department of Corrections (DOC) to operate the Re-Imagine Pilot Program at the Sterling Correctional Facility. The program must provide participants with resources to support their rehabilitation and to reduce recidivism through developing character by promoting self-responsibility and civic duty. The program is overseen by a board comprised of program participants and DOC staff. The board must review and approve applications to the program, discharge participants for breaking program rules, and create a program plan for each participant. The bill requires the General Assembly to appropriate money to fund the program and requires the DOC to report to the General Assembly on the committee. The program is repealed on June 30, 2028.

State Expenditures

While the bill requires the General Assembly to appropriate money to support the program, the DOC is currently implementing this program at the Sterling Correctional Facility; therefore, no additional appropriations are necessary. Starting in FY 2023-24, the bill will increase workload to the DOC to submit a report to the General Assembly on the pilot program. This work can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

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