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Fiscal Note

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| Prime Sponsors: | Rep. Clifford Sen. Gonzales | Bill Status: | House Judiciary |
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Bill Topic: REMOVE GOVERNOR APPROVAL PAROLE JUVENILE OFFENDER

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| Summary of Fiscal Impact: | <input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue | <input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer | <input type="checkbox"/> Local Government |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure | <input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund | <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity |

The bill requires the Parole Board, instead of the Governor, to make decisions on granting parole for inmates in the Juveniles and Young Adults Convicted as Adults Program within the Department of Corrections. Starting in FY 2024-25, the bill minimally impacts state workload.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

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

Summary of Legislation

Under current law, an inmate participating in the Juveniles and Young Adults Convicted as Adults Program (JYACAP) in the Department of Corrections (DOC) must petition the Governor for early parole, and the Parole Board provides a recommendation to the Governor. The bill removes the Governor from this process, and gives the Parole Board authority to grant parole in these cases.

State Expenditures

Starting in FY 2024-25, the bill will decrease workload to the Governor’s Office from considering fewer applications for early parole. In addition, Parole Board workload will minimally increase for additional early parole decisions, and DOC costs may decrease or increase if more or fewer individuals are granted early parole under the bill than current law. Overall, any impact to the Governor’s Office and the DOC is assumed to be minimal and no change in appropriation is required.

Effective Date

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

State and Local Government Contacts

Corrections

Governor

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