

Oklahoma State Senate

Bill Summary and Fiscal Impact

Agency: DOC / PPB

Bill Number: SB 1305

Senate Author: Thompson

House Author:

FY '19 Impact: Add'l Cost for PPB (1 FTE) / Cost Savings for DOC

Full Year Impact: Add'l Cost for PPB (1 FTE) / Cost Savings for DOC

Bill Summary and Comments: SB 1305 enables the Department of Corrections to forward cases to the Pardon and Parole Board of inmates who meet the complete criteria of Oklahoma Statute Title 57, Chapter 7, Section 332.7. This measure amends the language in Oklahoma Statute Title 57; Chapter 1, Section 37 from reading "maximum capacity" to "95% capacity". This change effectively allows DOC to send inmate parole cases to the Pardon and Parole Board at an earlier date than is currently possible, which could decrease DOC inmate population and have a major savings on inmate housing costs. DOC has estimated there could be an initial increase of an additional 20 cases per month being sent to PPB. To handle this increase in cases, PPB has said they will need one additional FTE.