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Fiscal Analysis

HB 2946 creates Lauria and Ashley's Law. The measure adds the crime of accessory to first or second degree murder to the list of 85% crimes. The Department of Corrections averaged roughly 7 inmates received with a conviction of accessory to murder from FY'13 to FY'22. Individuals convicted of Accessory to Murder are serving an average of 1,110 days (3.04 years) of an average 3,396 day sentence (9.3 years). Based on the current average sentence length, if these sentences were to be converted to 85% the average days served would increase to 2886 (7.9 years) or 1776 (4.86 years) more days to serve. The increased cost would likely not be realized until after 3.04 years, which is the current average time served, has passed.

$\$6,811.85 \times 4.86 \text{ yrs} = \$33,105.56$ of total costs added per inmate

$\$6,811.85 \times 7 \text{ inmates} = \$47,682.92$ avg. total cost added per FY

The FY'23 incremental/average cost to incarcerate an inmate was \$6,811.85 annually or \$18.66 per day.

FY'25 Impact: None

Full Year Impact: None

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