BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 60th Legislature

Bill No.: SB85 Version: ENGR

Request Number:

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Impact: DOC: \$1,967,350 annually

Research Analysis

SB 85 increases the daily reimbursement rate to county jails from \$27 per day to \$32 per day per inmate.

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Fiscal Analysis

The Engrossed version of SB85 increases the per diem reimbursement rate paid by the Department of Corrections (DOC) to counties for retaining inmates. The measure raises the rate from \$27/day to \$32/day. Officials with the DOC have provided the following information:

At the current reimbursement rate of \$27/day, historical and FY-25 YTD amounts are as follows:

Jail Backup	Actuals
FY21	\$10,116,965.29
FY22	\$9,666,522.08
FY23	\$11,304,485.07
FY24	\$10,230,845.93
FY25 as of March	\$5,768,691.36

If the rate increases to \$32/day, the agency anticipates a funding need of \$1,967,350 annually to make up the difference.

Therefore, in its current form, SB85 would increase the amount that DOC reimburses to counties for inmate retention by \$1,967,350 annually. DOC would seek additional appropriations to defray these costs.

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Other Considerations

None.