

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 2137 - HB 2345**

February 28, 2020

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires state payments to local governments as reimbursement for housing state inmates in local jails to be equal to the state rate paid to private prisons for housing state inmates.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures – \$52,389,000/FY20-21 and Subsequent Years**

**Increase Local Revenue – \$52,389,000/FY20-21 and Subsequent Years**

Assumptions:

- Based on information provided by the Department of Correction (DOC), the average daily rate to house state inmates in private prisons is \$58.89.
- The number of inmate days paid by DOC in FY18-19 to local governments was 2,635,262. This analysis assumes this number remains constant in future fiscal years.
- Based on information provided by the DOC, the average daily rate to house state inmates in local jails is \$39.01.
- The proposed legislation will result in a recurring increase in state expenditures to local governments in FY20-21 and future fiscal years estimated to be \$52,389,009 [(\$58.89 - \$39.01) x 2,635,262].
- The proposed legislation will result in a corresponding recurring increase in local revenue in FY20-21 and future fiscal years estimated to be \$52,389,009.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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