

Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 2194 S HB	Title: Home cultivation of cannabis
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Estimated Cash Receipts

NONE

Agency Name	2023-25		2025-27		2027-29	
	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total	GF- State	Total
Local Gov. Courts	Fiscal note not available					
Loc School dist-SPI						
Local Gov. Other	Fiscal note not available					
Local Gov. Total						

Estimated Operating Expenditures

Agency Name	2023-25				2025-27				2027-29			
	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Administrative Office of the Courts	Fiscal note not available											
Caseload Forecast Council	Fiscal note not available											
Department of Revenue	Fiscal note not available											
Liquor and Cannabis Board	.1	26,840	26,840	26,840	.2	53,680	53,680	53,680	.2	53,680	53,680	53,680
Washington State Patrol	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.											
Criminal Justice Training Commission	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Department of Children, Youth, and Families	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Department of Corrections	Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.											
Department of Agriculture	Fiscal note not available											
Total \$	0.1	26,840	26,840	26,840	0.2	53,680	53,680	53,680	0.2	53,680	53,680	53,680

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts	Fiscal note not available								
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other	Fiscal note not available								
Local Gov. Total									

Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total
Administrative Office of the Courts	Fiscal note not available								
Caseload Forecast Council	Fiscal note not available								
Department of Revenue	Fiscal note not available								
Liquor and Cannabis Board	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Washington State Patrol	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Criminal Justice Training Commission	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Children, Youth, and Families	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Corrections	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0
Department of Agriculture	Fiscal note not available								
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27			2027-29		
	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total	FTEs	GF-State	Total
Local Gov. Courts	Fiscal note not available								
Loc School dist-SPI									
Local Gov. Other	Fiscal note not available								
Local Gov. Total									

Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

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Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 2194 S HB	Title: Home cultivation of cannabis	Agency: 195-Liquor and Cannabis Board
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
Account					
General Fund-State 001-1	0	26,840	26,840	53,680	53,680
Total \$	0	26,840	26,840	53,680	53,680

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

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- Requires new rule making, complete Part V.

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.

Session 1(3a): The possession, by a person 21 years of age or older, of plants and the cannabis and cannabis products derived from those plants as authorized under subsection (7) of this section, is not a violation of this section, this chapter, or any other provision of Washington state law.

Section 1(7):

(a) The production and possession by a person 21 years of age or older of no more than six plants and the cannabis and cannabis products derived from those plants, on the premises of the housing unit occupied by the person, is not a violation of this section, this chapter, or any other provision of Washington state law. No more than 10 plants may be produced at any one time on the premises of a single housing unit, regardless of the number of residents living on the premises of the housing unit.

(b) For purposes of this subsection, "housing unit" has the meaning provided in RCW 69.51A.010.

(c) Except as authorized in RCW 69.50.325 or chapter 69.51A RCW:

(i) It is a class 1 civil infraction punishable under chapter 7.80 RCW for a person to produce and knowingly possess more than four plants but fewer than 11 plants; and

(ii) It is a class C felony punishable under RCW 69.50.401(2)(c) for a person to produce and knowingly possess 11 or more plants.

(d) An investigating law enforcement officer or agency may seize and summarily destroy any plants in excess of four plants, if the person is not authorized to produce and possess the additional plants under a commercial cannabis producer license or the Washington State Medical Use of Cannabis Act.

Section 3(1h)(iii) Creates an addition to the prohibition against forfeiture of property, when (in addition to the existing allowance for possession of cannabis), the acquisition, delivery, or production of cannabis, useable cannabis, cannabis concentrates, or cannabis-infused products including in the manner and in the amount provided in RCW 69.50.4013(7) [Section 1(7) of this bill].

Section 4(14) Creates a new definition in RCW 69.50 for "commercial activity" as "an activity related to or connected with buying, selling, or bartering."

CHANGES MADE BY THE SUBSTITUTE:

- Section 1(7) revises the proposed cannabis home grow authorization to:

- Allow the production and possession of no more than four plants, instead of no more than six plants.
- Revises the proposed limit on the number of cannabis plants that may be produced at any one time on the premises of a single housing unit with multiple residents, to set a limit of 10 plants, instead of 15 plants.
- Revises the proposed class 1 civil infraction so it would penalize a person who produces and knowingly possesses more than four plants but fewer than 11 plants, instead of more than six plants but fewer than 16 plants.
- Revises the proposed class C felony so it would apply (or continue to apply) to a person who produces and knowingly possesses 11 or more plants, instead of 16 or more plants.
- Authorizes an investigating law enforcement officer or agency to seize and summarily destroy any plants in excess of four plants, if the person is not authorized to produce and possess the additional plants under a commercial cannabis producer license or the Washington State Medical Use of Cannabis Act.

- Section 3(1h)(iii) revises the proposed changes to real property seizure and forfeiture provisions, so a safe harbor for cannabis possession activities could cease applying if the amount possessed is 11 or more plants, instead of 16 or more plants.

II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

II. C - Expenditures

Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

ENFORCEMENT DIVISION:

The Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board ("Board") keeps detailed statistics on all of its enforcement activities and tracks this activity using a unit of measure called a Field Increment (FI). All direct enforcement activities such as premise checks, inspections and investigations are tracked to determine how many FI's are needed to accomplish each activity. Each FI is equivalent to 1/10th of an hour (6 minutes). For example, if a tavern premise check takes 2 FI's and two officers, it is anticipated that one check will consume 4 FI's. Using historical data to factor out indirect activities such as driving time, training, office time and leave, it has been determined that officers are available for an average of 4,220 FI's each year.

The agency anticipates a workload impact of 0.2 FTE LCB Enforcement Officer 2 (LEO2) ongoing as a result of increased complaints and seizures. Please see the attached "2194 SHB Home cultivation of cannabis - Enforcement Field Increment Calculator.pdf" for the workload calculations.

0.2 FTE LCB Enforcement Officer 2 - \$26,840/yr (\$23,668 salary/benefits, \$3,172 in associated costs).

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Account	Account Title	Type	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
001-1	General Fund	State	0	26,840	26,840	53,680	53,680
Total \$			0	26,840	26,840	53,680	53,680

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
FTE Staff Years		0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
A-Salaries and Wages		17,343	17,343	34,686	34,686
B-Employee Benefits		6,325	6,325	12,650	12,650
C-Professional Service Contracts					
E-Goods and Other Services		872	872	1,744	1,744
G-Travel		2,232	2,232	4,464	4,464
J-Capital Outlays		68	68	136	136
M-Inter Agency/Fund Transfers					
N-Grants, Benefits & Client Services					
P-Debt Service					
S-Interagency Reimbursements					
T-Intra-Agency Reimbursements					
9-					
Total \$	0	26,840	26,840	53,680	53,680

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: List FTEs by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals need to agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA

Job Classification	Salary	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
LCB Enforcement Officer 2	86,712		0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
Total FTEs			0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

Program	FY 2024	FY 2025	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
Enforcement Division (060)		26,840	26,840	53,680	53,680
Total \$		26,840	26,840	53,680	53,680

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.*

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.

Enforcement Field Increment (FI) Calculator

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	Number of events	Time Factor	Staffing Factor	FI Total
Complaint Investigations Cannabis	12	20	1.3	312
Search and Seizure	1	51	13	663

<u>Factors</u>	<u>Values</u>
Complaint Investigations Cannabis	1 per month
Search and Seizure	1 per year

Total FI's	975
Total Field Increments per FTE	4,220
FTE's required	0.23
Round	0.20

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 2194 S HB	Title: Home cultivation of cannabis	Agency: 225-Washington State Patrol
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.

The substitute legislation revises the proposed limits on the number of cannabis plants that may be produced and possessed. It also authorizes an investigating law enforcement officer or agency to seize and summarily destroy any plants in excess of four plants, if the person is not authorized to produce and possess the additional plants under a commercial cannabis producer license or the Washington State Medical Use of Cannabis Act.

These changes do not change our assumptions stated in the original version.

The proposed legislation creates an indeterminate fiscal impact to the Washington State Patrol (WSP).

Section 1(7) allows a person 21 years of age or older to produce up to four cannabis plants on the premises of their housing unit, subject to production and possession limits and other restrictions and conditions. It also allows an investigating law enforcement officer to seize and summarily destroy any plants produced or possessed by a person in excess of four if the person is not authorized to produce and possess the additional plants under RCW 69.50.325 or chapter 69.51A RCW.

Section 3 amends RCW 69.50.505 to state the acquisition, delivery, production, or possession of cannabis, useable cannabis, cannabis concentrates, or cannabis-infused products within the home growth restrictions shall not form a basis of a seizure and forfeiture action.

II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

NONE

II. C - Expenditures

Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

There is an indeterminate fiscal impact as investigation time may increase to differentiate between allowable home grown production versus illicit production.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA.*

NONE

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.*

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 2194 S HB	Title: Home cultivation of cannabis	Agency: 227-Criminal Justice Training Commission
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

NONE

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.

This bill has no significant fiscal impact to the Criminal Justice Training Commission.

II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

This has no cash receipt impact.

II. C - Expenditures

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This bill has no expenditure impact.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

NONE

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA.*

NONE

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.*

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 2194 S HB	Title: Home cultivation of cannabis	Agency: 307-Department of Children, Youth, and Families
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

NONE

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

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OFM Review: Danya Clevenger	Phone: (360) 688-6413	Date: 02/02/2024

Part II: Narrative Explanation

II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.

Comparison of 2194 HB to 2194 SHB:

Section 1(7)(c)(i) changes the limit from six to four cannabis plants that a person can produce or possess in a single housing unit.

Section 1(7)(d) provides that an investigating law enforcement officer may seize and destroy any plants possessed by a person in excess of four.

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This bill pertains to the home cultivation of cannabis setting the limit on the number of plants per household and will not have an impact on Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) Juvenile Rehabilitation (JR).

II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

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II. C - Expenditures

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No fiscal impact. This bill does not impact DCYF/JR because it addresses possession by individuals 21 years of age and older.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

NONE

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA.*

NONE

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.*

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.

Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 2194 S HB	Title: Home cultivation of cannabis	Agency: 310-Department of Corrections
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Part I: Estimates

No Fiscal Impact

Estimated Cash Receipts to:

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures from:

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

Estimated Capital Budget Impact:

NONE

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Part II: Narrative Explanation

II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.

Substitute House Bill 2194 (SHB 2194) relates to legalizing the home cultivation of cannabis by persons who are 21 years of age and older.

Section 1(7)(c)(i) differs from the original bill as SHB 2178 amends the establishment of a Class I Civil infraction of a person who produces and knowingly possess “more than six but fewer than 16” to “more than four but fewer than eleven.”

Section 1(7)(c)(ii) differs from the original bill as SHB 2178 limits a Class C felony to a person who produces and knowingly possesses “16 or more plants” to “eleven or more plants”.

Section 1(7)(d) Adds new section an investigating law enforcement officer or agency may seize and destroy any plants produced or processed by a person in excess of four plants authorized under this subsection (7).

The following impacts from the original bill remain unchanged in SHB 2194:

Section 1(7)(a) Amends RCW 69.50.4013 by amending the definition of the gross misdemeanor of Knowingly Possessing a Controlled Substance by allowing possession of cannabis by a person 21 years of age or older, as established in subsection (7).

Section 1(7)(b) Additionally adds subsection 7 which establishes requirements of legal possession of cannabis and cannabis products within a housing unit.

Section 2(2)(c) Amends RCW 69.50.401 by referencing RCW 69.50.4013(7) to the Class C felony of Unlawful Manufacture, Deliver, or Possess with intent to Manufacture or Deliver a Controlled Substance.

Effective date is assumed 90 days after adjournment of the session in which this bill is passed.

II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

II. C - Expenditures

Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

We assume this bill will have an indeterminate fiscal impact of \$50,000 or less to Department of Corrections (DOC).

This bill contracts a gross misdemeanor by establishing legal possession of cannabis plants and establishes a Class I Civil infraction for possession of five to ten plants; and, if more than ten plants are produced and knowingly possessed, it shall be punishable under 69.50.401(2)(c), a Class C felony.

The Caseload Forecast Council has no information concerning how many less incidents of the gross misdemeanor offense of Knowingly Possessing a Controlled Substance may occur given the allowance of legal possession of a certain amount of cannabis plants under the provisions of the bill. As such, the Caseload Forecast Council cannot reliably predict bed impacts resulting from the bill. However, a gross misdemeanor offense would be punishable by a term of confinement of 0-364

days in jail. Therefore, any reductions would impact jail beds only.

The Class C felony of offense of Manufacture, Deliver, or Possess with intent to Manufacture or Deliver a Controlled Substance is limited to instances of possession of more than ten cannabis plants. It is unknown how many fewer offenses would result from the enactment of this bill. However, as a felony offense ranked at Seriousness Level I on the Drug Grid and is punishable by 0-6 months in jail to 12.03-14 months in prison, any reductions in this offense would likely result in prison and jail bed savings.

The offense of Manufacture, Deliver, or Possess with intent to Manufacture or Deliver a Controlled Substance is felony offense under chapter 69.50. As such, an individual assessed as high risk to reoffend in the community may be required to be supervised by the Department of Corrections upon release. For individuals releasing from a non-prison sentence, the community custody term may be up to one year; and for those releasing from prison, one year is required.

Given the above, any reductions for convictions based on the provisions of this bill by an individual assessed as high risk to reoffend may result in a decrease of the DOC’s Community Custody caseload.

For informational purposes, the total number of sentences imposed for this offense as the most serious offense in Fiscal Year 2023 was 29 sentences (one prison sentence and 28 jail sentences.)

For illustration purposes only:

We assume a Direct Variable Cost (DVC) of \$7,630 per incarcerated individual per FY to facilitate cost discussions during legislative session for bills. This cost estimate includes prison and health services' direct variable costs. It does not include staffing or dollars necessary for staffing needed at the facility outside of the living/housing units. The DVC is calculated by DOC and reviewed and approved with the Office of Financial Management, Senate, and House staff each legislative session.

For illustration purposes only, the average annual Community Supervision caseload model is \$6,101 per ADP (not including startup costs), regardless of the supervised risk level based on the workload model. If ADP impacts are applicable to this fiscal note, the calculated rate per community supervision ADP includes direct supervision and ancillary units, such as Hearings, Records, and Training, that are directly affected by supervision population changes. The estimate will vary based on the risk level of the supervised individuals, which requires different staffing levels. The population trend data used is based on the Risk Level Classification tool and provides a risk level of 42.8% high violent, 27.3% high non-violent, 21% moderate, 7.9% low, and 1.0% unclassified. (June – November 2017)

The DOC assumes that any increase in community supervision caseload will result in an increased need for violator beds. For illustration, the FY2023 average percentage of supervised individuals who served jail time and were billed by the local jurisdictions for violating their conditions of supervision was a rate of 2.0%. The current average daily cost for jail beds is \$114.43 per day, inclusive of all risk levels and healthcare costs. The rate is an average, and actual rates vary by local correctional facilities.

We assume additional impacts will result when ADP caseload changes in either prison or community and resources will be necessary. The DOC will “true up” our fiscal impact in subsequent budget submittals should the legislation be enacted into session law.

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

Non-zero but indeterminate cost and/or savings. Please see discussion.

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA.*

NONE

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: *FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.*

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.