

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 329** HLS 14RS 873

Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Subject:</b> Parole eligibility		

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Amends provisions of law regarding parole eligibility

Present law provides for eligibility for parole consideration for certain offenders. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, unless eligible for parole at an earlier date, a person committed to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections (DPS&C) for a term or terms of imprisonment with or without benefit of parole or a person serving a life sentence ordered pursuant to the Habitual Offender Law enacted by Act 1245 of the 1995 Regular Legislative Session that were ameliorated by Section 2 of Act 403 of the 2001 Regular Legislative Session, shall be eligible for parole consideration upon reaching age 50 if certain conditions are met.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>
<b>Annual Total</b>						
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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

The proposed legislation may result in an indeterminable decrease in state general fund expenditures as a result of amending the parole eligibility for certain offenders. The exact fiscal impact of the passage of this legislation is indeterminable, since it is not known how many offenders will be granted parole. However, any offender released from a state correctional facility and placed on parole supervision decreases expenditures of the Department of Corrections by \$18,239 annually (\$52.51 per day less \$2.54 parole supervision per day x 365 days).

It should be noted that the savings due to the proposed legislation would be contingent on not backfilling beds. Any savings may also be reduced by recidivism.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

The proposed legislation may result in an indeterminable increase in self-generated revenue as a result of offenders convicted of violent crimes becoming parole eligible earlier, thus being released into parole supervision. For each offender that is released to parole at an earlier date, the Department of Corrections could collect up to \$63 per month from each offender under parole supervision. It should be noted that the maximum amount paid per month is \$63 and the offender's ability and amount he is required to pay is determined by the Board of Parole.

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| <u>Senate</u>                                                               | <u>Dual Referral Rules</u> | <u>House</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}       |                            |              | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(2) >= \$500,000 State Rev. Reduc. {H & S}                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H} |                            |              | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S} |

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