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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- FISCAL NOTES

Introduced By: Senator Michael J. McCaffrey

Date Introduced: March 04, 2021

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 22-12 of the General Laws entitled "Fiscal Notes" is hereby amended
2 by adding thereto the following section:
3 **22-12-6. Correctional impact statements.**
4 All bills having an effect on the revenues, expenditures, fiscal liability, bed space, staff,
5 supervision caseloads, or programs of the department of corrections, excepting appropriation
6 measures carrying specified dollar amounts, shall be accompanied by a correctional impact
7 statement that sets forth the estimated dollar effect thereof taking into consideration additional
8 supervisory and correctional staff, bed space, and programs required if enacted. The correctional
9 impact statement shall be attached to the end of each act, bill or resolution prior to consideration
10 by the legislative body in which the act, bill or resolution originated. The correctional impact
11 statement shall specify the effect in dollar amounts and additional supervisory and correctional
12 staff, bed space, and additional programs for the current fiscal year and estimates for the next two
13 (2) succeeding fiscal years, as well as for the fifth and tenth succeeding fiscal years. For legislation
14 where the major fiscal impact is not expected until after the tenth succeeding year, the correctional
15 impact statement shall include additional estimated information for the time period when the major
16 fiscal impact is expected. The appropriate chairperson of the house or senate committee may
17 request a prison impact statement. Requests for these prison impact statements shall be in a form
18 and substance that is deemed appropriate by the chairperson and shall be forwarded through the
19 house or senate fiscal advisor to the state budget officer who shall then be responsible, in

1 [cooperation with the director of corrections, for its preparation within thirty \(30\) days of the](#)
2 [request.](#)

3 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would establish special requirements for fiscal impact statements relative to the
2 department of corrections.

3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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