

full service jails for the duration of his or her sentence. A Class D felony is punishable by one (1) to five (5) years in prison. If a local jail houses a Class D felon for one (1) year, the jail's cost for that person is $\$31.34 \times 365 \text{ days} = \$11,439.10$. Since the per diem pays for the estimated average cost of housing a Class D felon, the per diem may be less than, equal to, or greater than the actual housing cost to the jail.

Data Sources: Local prosecutors; LRC Staff

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