

Department of Corrections pays jails to house felony offenders. Class C felons are ineligible for placement in local jails until they are classified at the lowest custody level with 24 months or less to their minimum expiration date or parole eligibility date. The Department of Corrections pays local jails \$31.34 per day to house these Class C felons. Since the per diem pays for the estimated average cost of housing a Class C felon, the per diem may be less than, equal to, or greater than the actual housing cost.

Twenty-three full service jails provide an **in-patient substance abuse program (SAP)** to over 1,300 convicted felons and 186 non-state offenders incarcerated in the jails. The estimated average cost of jailing a convicted felon participating in a SAP is \$40.34 per day. This amount is reimbursed by the Department of Corrections and is \$9 more than the estimated average cost of \$31.34 per day reimbursement. Since the \$40.34 per diem pays for the estimated average cost of housing a convicted felon participating in a SAP, the per diem may be less than, equal to, or greater than the actual housing cost.

Part III: Differences to Local Government Mandate Statement from Prior Versions

The Part II section above pertains to the bill as introduced and there are not any prior introduced versions of the bill to complete the Part III section.

Data Source(s): Kentucky Jailers Association, Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police, Kentucky Sheriffs Association

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