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When a court denies bail to a Class C felony defendant, the local government is responsible for incarcerating the defendant until disposition of the case in one of Kentucky's 76 full service jails or four life safety jails. While the expense of housing inmates varies by jail, each additional inmate increases facility costs by an estimated average of \$31.34 per day, which equals the per diem and medical expenses that the 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.

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

SB 181 SCS retains the provisions of SB 181 and deletes "home and cellular telephone numbers" from the list of documents and information required by the amendments to KRS 17.500, 17.510, and 17.580 in SB 181 as introduced. **The fiscal impact of SB 181 SCS is identical to that of SB 181.**

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

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