Local Government Mandate Statement Kentucky Legislative Research Commission 2023 Regular Session

Part I: Measure Information

Bill Request #: 1104
Bill #: SB 162 SCS 1
Document ID #:
Bill Subject/Title: AN ACT relating to juvenile justice.
Sponsor: Senator Danny Carroll
Unit of Government: X City X County Urban-County Unified Local
X Charter County X Consolidated Local X Government
Office(s) Impacted: Law Enforcement
Requirement: X Mandatory Optional
Effect on Powers & Duties: Modifies ExistingX Adds New Eliminates Existing

Part II: Bill Provisions and the Estimated Fiscal Impact Relating to Local Government

This mandate deals only with those sections directly affecting local governments.

SB 162 SCS 1 amends KRS Chapter 15A to require that the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) promulgate regulations directing any preadjudication or postadjudication detention facility within its statewide detention program to:

- Allow children in crisis in juvenile detention access to a mental health professional;
- Conduct monthly documented emergency response training;
- Ensure each youth worker and staff member is trained and equipped with pepper spray, a Taser, and any other emergency response equipment provided by DJJ;
- Enter into a memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement for emergency response and involve them in emergency response training; and
- Install an alarm that reports emergency situations directly to the local dispatch center.

The fiscal impact of SB 162 SCS 1 on local correctional services and law enforcement is expected to be slightly negative. The bill places new mandates on DJJ facilities, which would not financially impact any local entity as they are entirely funded and run by DJJ. However, Section 1, Subsection 8 of the bill requires local law enforcement to enter into a memorandum of understanding with DJJ facilities for emergency response procedure training. While the exact amount of resources needed for the training is unknown, some commitment of resources would be necessary. Similarly, DJJ facilities must be equipped with an alarm that directly communicates with the local dispatch center in case of emergency situations, which could also necessitate allocating time and resources.

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

Part II refers to SB 162 SCS 1. The SCS 1 version makes a number of changes from the introduced version, though none of the changes are expected to have an additional impact on local law enforcement, as they only affect the Department of Juvenile Justice and juvenile detention centers, which are completely run and funded at the state level by DJJ.

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