CORRECTIONS IMPACT STATEMENT

SESSION: 25RS BILL #: HB 700 Introduced BR #: 447

BILL SPONSOR(S): Rep. J. Bray AMENDMENT SPONSOR(S):

TITLE: AN ACT relating to cervids.

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION: Amend KRS 150.740 and 257.550 to prohibit the export of a cervid carcass or wild cervid outside of a chronic wasting disease surveillance zone; prohibit the export of a captive cervid outside of a 10-mile radius of a chronic wasting disease positive captive cervid facility; establish exemptions to the movement of cervid parts; allow breeding of captive cervids inside the facility in which the cervid is housed; require that the chronic wasting disease surveillance zone remain disease free for a period of five years; exempt prior chronic wasting disease positive detections from restrictions.

AMENDMENT:

This ☒ bill ☐ amendment ☐ committee substitute is expected to:

☒ **Have the following Corrections impact**	☐ **Have no Corrections impact.**
☐Creates new crime(s)	☐Repeals existing crime(s)
☐Increases penalty for existing crime(s)	☐Decreases penalty for existing crime(s)
☐Increases incarceration	☐Decreases incarceration.
☐Reduces inmate/offender services	☐Increases inmate/offender services.
☐Increases staff time or positions	☐Reduces staff time or positions.
☒Changes elements of the offense for existing crime(s)	
☐Otherwise impacts incarceration (Explain):	

STATE IMPACT: Class A, B, & C felonies are based on an average daily prison rate of $122.84. Community Custody Class C and most Class D felons are housed in one of seventy-four (74) full-service or regional jails for up to five (5) years. Department of Corrections cost to incarcerate a felony inmate in jail is $47.43 per day, which includes $35.34 per diem, medical costs, and central office administrative costs (substance abuse treatment not included).*

Projected Impact: ☐ NONE ☒ MINIMAL to MODERATE (< $1 million) ☐ SIGNIFICANT (> $1 million)

The legislation would likely result in a very minimal increase in operational costs at the state level by expanding criteria of an existing Class D Felony.

Class D felons are housed in a county jail, and DOC pays counties a per diem for housing those inmates. A Class D Felony sentence is 1 to 5 years.

- One (1) Class D Felon costs KY $17,313.27 to $86,566.34.
- Ten (10) Class D Felons cost KY $173,132.67 to $865,663.37.
- One hundred (100) Class D Felons cost KY $1,731,326.74 to $8,656,633.71.

There are currently no inmates in custody and no offenders on supervision for cervids-related offenses. The population statistics are being provided to offer a reference for the number of offenders who commit similar crimes.

Population counts and offender data are sourced from the Kentucky Offender Management System (KOMS). Cost to Incarcerate can be found on corrections.ky.gov/public-information.

LOCAL IMPACT: Local governments are responsible for the cost of incarcerating individuals charged with Class A or B misdemeanors and felony defendants until the disposition of the case. The estimated impact will be based on the $47.43 cost to incarcerate for the Department of Corrections, including $35.34 per diem and medical that DOC pays jails to house felony offenders. This cost to incarcerate may not be the actual housing cost for the jail.*

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PROJECTED IMPACT FROM AMENDMENTS: ☐ NONE ☐ MINIMAL to MODERATE (< $1 million) ☐ SIGNIFICANT (> $1 million)

**All projections are based on the daily rate x 365 days x number of years. The cost to incarcerate as calculated by the Department is shown here as rounded to the hundredths. Offenders may have multiple offenses or be incarcerated on other charges unless otherwise noted. Unless otherwise noted, numbers will include inchoate offenses at the underlying offense level.*

The following offices contributed to this Corrections Impact Statement:

☒ Dept. of Corrections ☐ Dept. of Kentucky State Police ☐ Administrative Office of the Courts ☐ Parole Board ☐ Other

NOTE: *Consideration should be given to the cumulative impact of all bills that increase the felon population, lengthen the term of incarceration, or impose new obligations on state or local governments.*

APPROVED BY: _____ **3/4/2025**

Commissioner, Kentucky Department of Corrections Date