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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6750
BILL NUMBER: SB 222

DATE PREPARED: Jan 25, 2000
BILL AMENDED: Jan 20, 2000

SUBJECT: Commissary funds and inmate trust funds.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill provides that the requirement to establish a jail commissary fund applies to all counties that have a jail commissary that sells merchandise to inmates. (Current law requires only counties with a population of more than 50,000 that have a jail commissary to establish the fund.) It provides that the requirement of a county jail inmate trust fund applies to all counties that operate a county jail. (Current law requires only counties with a population of more than 50,000 to establish the fund.) It removes a provision authorizing the use of the jail commissary fund for any purpose that benefits the sheriff's department and replaces the provision with an expanded list of specifically approved uses of the fund.

Effective Date: July 1, 2000.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: This bill specifies additional uses of money in the Jail Commissary Fund. Those uses include equipment, attire, and activities related to discipline. Funds can also be used for programs designed to reduce substance abuse, child abuse, domestic violence, drinking and driving, and juvenile delinquency and to purchase special equipment. The impact will be unique to each county and depend on local action.

Explanation of Local Revenues: (Revised) The bill requires all counties that have a jail commissary to establish a Jail Commissary Fund. Current law excludes counties with a population of less than 50,000 from this requirement. (Sixty six counties have populations that are less than 50,000.)

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Counties.

Information Sources: