
SENATE BILL No. 222

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 36-8-10.

Synopsis: Commissary funds and inmate trust funds. 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.) 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.) 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: July 1, 2000.

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January 10, 2000, read first time and referred to Committee on Governmental and Regulatory Affairs.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 1999 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 36-8-10-21 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2000]: Sec. 21. (a) This section
- 3 applies to any county
- 4 ~~(+)~~ with a population of more than fifty thousand (50,000); and
- 5 ~~(2)~~ that has a jail commissary that sells merchandise to inmates.
- 6 (b) A jail commissary fund is established, referred to in this section
- 7 as "the fund". The fund is separate from the general fund, and money
- 8 in the fund does not revert to the general fund.
- 9 (c) The sheriff, or his designee, shall deposit all money from
- 10 commissary sales into the fund, which he shall keep in a depository
- 11 designated under IC 5-13-8.
- 12 (d) The sheriff, or his designee, at his discretion and without
- 13 appropriation by the county fiscal body, may disburse money from the
- 14 fund for:
- 15 (1) merchandise for resale to inmates through the commissary;
- 16 (2) expenses of operating the commissary, including, but not
- 17 limited to, facilities and personnel;



1 (3) special training in law enforcement for employees of the
2 sheriff's department; or

3 (4) any other purpose that benefits the sheriff's department but is
4 not included in the department's regular appropriation. **equipment**
5 **installed in the county jail;**

6 (5) special equipment or attire used by an employee of the
7 sheriff's department in the course of the employee's official
8 duties;

9 (6) an activity provided to maintain order and discipline
10 among the inmates of the county jail; or

11 (7) an activity or program of the sheriff's department
12 intended to reduce or prevent occurrences of the following:

13 (A) Substance abuse.

14 (B) Child abuse.

15 (C) Domestic violence.

16 (D) Drinking and driving.

17 (E) Juvenile delinquency.

18 (e) The sheriff shall maintain a record of the fund's receipts and
19 disbursements. The state board of accounts shall prescribe the form for
20 this record. The sheriff shall ~~annually~~ **semiannually** provide a copy of
21 this record of receipts and disbursements to the county fiscal body. **The**
22 **semiannual reports are due on July 1 and December 31 of each**
23 **year.**

24 SECTION 2. IC 36-8-10-22 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
25 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2000]: Sec. 22. (a) This section
26 applies to any county ~~with a population of more than fifty thousand~~
27 ~~(50,000):~~ **that operates a county jail.**

28 (b) The sheriff shall hold in trust separately for each inmate any
29 money received from that inmate or from another person on behalf of
30 that inmate.

31 (c) If the inmate or his legal guardian requests a disbursement from
32 the inmate's trust fund, the sheriff may make a disbursement for the
33 personal benefit of the inmate, including but not limited to a
34 disbursement to the county jail commissary.

35 (d) Upon discharge or release of an inmate from the county jail, the
36 sheriff shall pay to that inmate or his legal guardian any balance
37 remaining in his trust fund.

38 (e) If an inmate is found guilty of intentionally destroying or losing
39 county property after a hearing conducted under IC 11-11-5-5, the
40 sheriff may disburse from the inmate's trust fund or commissary
41 account sums of money as reimbursement to the county for the inmate's
42 intentional destruction or loss of county property, including but not

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1 limited to clothing, bedding, and other nondisposable items issued by
2 the county to the inmate. Before disbursing money under this
3 subsection, the sheriff shall adopt rules to administer this procedure.
4 (f) The sheriff shall maintain a record of each trust fund's receipts
5 and disbursements. The state board of accounts shall prescribe the form
6 for this record.

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