2012 Legislature - Operating Budget Wordage Report - Senate Structure

Agency: Department of Corrections

Intent

Although the legislature acknowledges that contract negotiations and management decisions are functions of the executive branch, it is the intent of the legislature that the Department of Corrections should consider the potential costs, including costs of litigation or arbitration, officer and inmate safety, and employee recruitment and retention, when evaluating any changes to the historical policy of using shift staffing.

Ap: Population Management

Intent

It is the intent of the legislature that the Department of Corrections provide an updated analysis to the legislature by January 1, 2013 showing the cost savings of implementing the blended staffing model which reduces the amount of twelve-hour shifts and increases the amount of eight-hour shifts in the seven institutions targeted for Phase I of this plan (Anvil Mountain Correctional Center, Ketchikan Correctional Center, Mat-Su Pre-Trial, Point Mackenzie Correctional Farm and Yukon Kuskokwim Correctional Center are exempt from Phase I).

Intent

Although the legislature acknowledges that contract negotiations and management decisions are functions of the executive branch, the legislature finds that the Department of Corrections has insufficiently contemplated the long-term impact—including costs of litigation or arbitration, officer and inmate safety, and employee recruitment and retention—of an adjustment to the historical policy of shift staffing; it is therefore the intent of the legislature that the Department utilize the \$1,700,000.00 appropriation to Population Management in FY13 to maintain the status—quo shift scheduling policy.

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