

SENATE SUBSTITUTE

State Impact

This bill creates a restricted account into which is deposited revenue collected from payphones at state prisons. The bill appropriates \$100,000 of General Fund one-time in FY 2006 to the General Fund Restricted Account and then appropriates \$100,000 one-time from the restricted account to the Board of Regents for additional education and training programs at the State prisons.

Funds deposited in the new account currently subsidize state telecommunications costs incurred by the Division of Information Technology Services (ITS) and are distributed to almost all state agencies. Should telecommunications costs and consumption remain as predicted by ITS, the division would need to adjust the telephone rate it charges to customer agencies to make-up for the loss of payphone revenue starting in FY 2008. All other things being equal, such a rate change would impact the budgets of other state agencies, potentially requiring an appropriation totaling \$900,000 in FY 2008. The General Fund impact of this FY 2008 appropriation is estimated to be \$500,000. Non-state governmental entities may also be impacted. The implementation date of this bill gives ITS a full billing cycle to evaluate the impact to each state agency.

	<u>FY 2006</u> <u>Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2007</u> <u>Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2006</u> <u>Revenue</u>	<u>FY 2007</u> <u>Revenue</u>
General Fund	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
General Fund Restricted	\$100,000	\$900,000	\$100,000	\$900,000
Dedicated Credits	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$900,000)
TOTAL	\$200,000	\$900,000	\$100,000	\$0

Individual and Business Impact

More individuals may be able to take advantage of educational opportunities while incarcerated.
