



Performance Note
HB0106 - Education Grant
Program for Individuals in the
Justice System
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Performance Note Report

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Funding For:

New Services or Benefit

Public Benefit:

Purpose: The purpose of this bill is to create a pilot grant program for education programs for individuals in the justice system.

Services: The grant would fund two prosecutors in different prosecutor offices that operate in areas that have proximity to a technical college.

Expected Outcome: (1) A decrease in the number of offenders that serve time in jail or prison; (2) provide offenders with skills to enhance their employment opportunities and assist them in paying restitution to their victims.

Implementations and Resources: This grant program would allow CCJJ to provide grant funding to two jurisdictions to hire prosecutors to assist offenders in participating in competency-based career and technical education.

How: This encourages offenders to participate in competency-based career and technical education by offering reduction in criminal penalties for those charged with a third degree felony or misdemeanor. This could include an alternative to incarceration or a reduction in fines and fees.

Performance Measures

Goal

Title: Reduction in jail or prison for third degree and misdemeanor offenders.

Description: The opportunity for offenders who plead guilty or are convicted of a third degree felony or misdemeanor to receive a reduction in penalties by participating in a competency-based career and technical education program should decrease the of offenders sentenced to jail or prison..

Collection Method: Each county or city that is awarded a grant under this program will be required to establish of baseline of the number of qualifying offenders who get sentenced to jail or prison. Collection of this information would from records housed in courts or prosecution offices. CCJJ would review the baseline data and the annual results for accuracy and consistency. Targets or benchmarks would need to be established by the two prosecutors offices in their grant application.

Goal

Title: Increase the amount of restitution paid to victims by their offenders.

Description: Participation in a qualifying education program should help offenders find better employment and allow them to pay a higher percentage of their restitution obligations to victims.

Collection Method: The two prosecution offices would need to establish a baseline and performance targets for this measurement in their grant application. CCJJ would approve the baseline and performance targets and require quarterly progress reports to measure this goal.

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