



**Revised Fiscal Note  
H.B. 203**

2023 General Session  
Inmate Education Amendments  
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**General, Income Tax, and Uniform School Funds**

JR4-4-101

	Ongoing	One-time	Total
Net GF/ITF/USF (rev.-exp.)	\$(2,844,000)	\$(1,722,400)	\$(4,566,400)

**State Government**

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Revenues	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
General Fund	\$0	\$(16,500)	\$(16,500)
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$(16,500)</b>	<b>\$(16,500)</b>

Enactment of this legislation could result in an ongoing revenue reduction of \$16,500 General Fund for the Department of Corrections beginning in FY 2024 as a result of inmates no longer being required to pay 50% of tuition prior to enrolling in a higher education course.

Expenditures	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
General Fund	\$0	\$2,740,700	\$2,740,700
General Fund, One-time	\$0	\$1,575,600	\$0
Income Tax Fund	\$0	\$86,800	\$86,800
Income Tax Fund, One-time	\$0	\$146,800	\$0
Prison Telephone Surcharge Account (GFR)	\$0	\$960,500	\$960,500
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,510,400</b>	<b>\$3,788,000</b>

Enactment of this Legislation could cost the Department of Corrections \$90,900 ongoing from the General Fund beginning in FY 2024 to hire one FTE and associated data processing and supplies to process applications to view an inmate's financial status. Enactment of this legislation could also cost the Department of Corrections \$1,575,600 one time from the General Fund in FY 2024 and \$2,649,800 ongoing from the General Fund beginning in FY 2024 to purchase tablets for each inmate. Enactment of this legislation could also cost the State Board of Education \$146,800 one time from the Income Tax Fund in FY 2024 for one FTE to develop a computer and literacy program for inmates and \$86,800 ongoing from the Income Tax Fund beginning in FY 2024 for one FTE to oversee the computer literacy program. Enactment of this Legislation could also cost the Utah System of Higher Education \$960,500 ongoing from the Prison Telephone Surcharge Account beginning in FY 2024 to higher 6 education support specialists and one supervisor.

	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
<b>Net All Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$(5,526,900)</b>	<b>\$(3,804,500)</b>

**Local Government**

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation could cost local education authorities \$320,000 one time in FY 2024 for four FTEs to conduct computer literacy evaluations on all current inmates. Enactment of this legislation could also cost local education authorities \$160,000 ongoing beginning in FY 2024 for two FTEs to conduct computer literacy programs to inmates.

**Individuals & Businesses**

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not result in direct expenditures from tax or fee changes for Utah residents and businesses.

**Regulatory Impact**

UCA 36-12-13(2)(d)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not change the regulatory burden for Utah residents or businesses.

**Performance Evaluation**

JR1-4-601

This bill creates a new program or significantly expands an existing program. For a list of questions lawmakers might ask to improve accountability for the proposed program, please see: <https://budget.utah.gov/newprogram>

**Notes on Notes**

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