

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON CORRECTIONS REP. AMOS O'NEAL CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, April 25, 2024

10:30 AM

Room 308, House Office Building

The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Corrections was called to order by the Chair, Representative O'Neal.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. O'Neal, McKinney, Morse, Snyder, Slagh, Bollin, and Lightner.

Absent: None. Excused: None.

Representative Snyder moved to adopt the minutes from the meeting held on March 7, 2024. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Representative O'Neal gave a brief overview of the contents of the House Substitute for House Bill 5508, the FY 2025 appropriations bill for the Department of Corrections. The bill totals \$2.2 billion Gross, \$2.1 billion GF/GP. The budget is \$79.6 million Gross, \$86.0 million GF/GP over current year appropriated levels, and \$21.5 million Gross, \$21.5 million GF/GP over executive recommended levels. Representative O'Neal highlighted appropriation changes included in the House Subcommittee Chair's Recommendation, including changes from the current year budget and changes from the executive recommendation.

The Chair laid HB 5508 before the committee:

HB 5508 (Rep. O'Neal)

A bill to make appropriations for the department of corrections for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025; and to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations.

Representative McKinney moved to adopt the House Substitute for HB 5508 (H-1). The motion prevailed without objection 7-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. O'Neal, McKinney, Morse, Snyder, Slagh, Bollin, Lightner.

Nays: None. Pass: None.

Representative Slagh offered the following amendments to House Bill No. 5508 (H-1):

- 1. Amend page 16, line 8, after "302." by inserting:
- "(1) From the unexpended and unencumbered funds appropriated in 2021 PA 87 that were previously designated as work project appropriations for facility physical plant projects/operating funds, \$21,065,000.00 must be used to cover costs of allowing corrections officers and corrections medical officers to reach the highest level of pay within 3 years of service instead of reaching it within 5 years of service. (2)".
- 2. Amend page 16, following line 13, by inserting:
- "(3) Funds appropriated under this section are designated as a work project appropriation. Unencumbered or unallotted funds must not lapse at the end of the fiscal year and must be available for expenditures under this section until the project has been completed. The following is in compliance with section 451a of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1451a:
- (a) The purpose of the project is to cover costs of allowing corrections officers and corrections medical officers to reach the highest level of pay within 3 years of service instead of reaching it within 5 years of service.
- (b) The project will be accomplished by state employees.
- (c) The total estimated cost of the project is \$21,065,000.00.
- (d) The tentative completion date is September 30, 2026.".

The motion failed 3-0-4.

UNFAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Slagh, Bollin, Lightner.

Nays: None.

Pass: Reps. O'Neal, McKinney, Morse, Snyder None.

Rep. Slagh offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 5508 (H-1):

1. Amend page 22, following line 24, by inserting:

"(d) The effect the corrections officer training academy has had on staffing levels, including on the ability for the department to attract new candidates." and renumbering the remaining subdivision.

The motion prevailed without objection 7-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. O'Neal, McKinney, Morse, Snyder, Slagh, Bollin, Lightner.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Rep. Lightner withdrew her amendment to House Bill No. 5508 (H-1).

Rep. Bollin offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 5508 (H-1):

1. Amend page 3, line 27, by striking out all of line 27 and adjusting the subtotals, totals, and section 201 accordingly.

The motion failed 3-4-0. UNFAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Slagh, Bollin, Lightner.

Nays: Reps. O'Neal, McKinney, Morse, Snyder.

Pass: None.

Representative Morse moved to refer House Bill No. 5508 (H-1), as amended, to the Committee on Appropriations with recommendation that it pass. The motion prevailed 4-0-3:

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. O'Neal, McKinney, Morse, Snyder.

Nays: None.

Pass: Reps. Slagh, Bollin, Lightner.

There being no further business before the subcommittee, Representative O'Neal adjourned the meeting at 11:05 AM.

Representative Amos O'Neal, Chair

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