

Department of Planning and Budget 2001 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number HB1762

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron Cranwell

3. Committee Passed both houses

4. Title Conditional release of geriatric prisoners

5. Summary/Purpose:

Currently, anyone convicted of a felony (other than a Class 1 felony) committed on or after January 1, 1995 is eligible for conditional release if he is at least 65 years old and has served at least five years of his sentence or is at least 60 years old and has served at least 10 years of his sentence. The proposed legislation would remove the requirement that the offense had to have been committed on or after January 1, 1995 and make anyone in prison (other than for a Class 1 felony), who meets the age and time served criteria, eligible for the conditional release.

6. Fiscal Impact: See Item No. 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: None.

8. Fiscal implications:

The proposal has the potential of reducing the number of inmates in prison and thus reducing the operational costs of the Department of Corrections. Although it is not feasible to project the number of inmates who would be released under this provision, it is not expected to be significant. Therefore, any savings would be negligible.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:

Department of Corrections
Parole Board

10. Technical amendment necessary: None.

11. Other comments: Identical to SB 1167, which was passed by both houses, but has not yet been enrolled.

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cc: Secretary of Public Safety

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