

## Department of Planning and Budget 2004 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number** SB170

**House of Origin**     Introduced     Substitute     Engrossed  
**Second House**     In Committee     Substitute     Enrolled

2. **Patron**        Stolle

3. **Committee**   Appropriations

4. **Title**            Jail deputies; number.

5. **Summary/Purpose:** Codifies budget language (Item 64 E) such that the Compensation Board will allocate jail deputy positions established on or after July 1, 2004, at the lesser of the sheriff or superintendent's request, as recommended by the Department of Corrections, or at a ratio of not more than one jail deputy for every three beds of operational capacity. For those jails experiencing overcrowding, the Compensation Board will allocate jail deputy positions at the lesser of the sheriff or the superintendent's request, as recommended by the Department of Corrections, or at a ratio of not more than one additional jail deputy for every five average annual daily prisoners above operation capacity.

6. **Fiscal Impact Estimates are:** PRELIMINARY; See Item 8 below.

7. **Budget amendment necessary:** No.

8. **Fiscal implications:** Since the proposal mandates to the Compensation Board how the available allocation of jail deputy positions established on or after July 1, 2004, is to be accomplished, the proposal would not have a fiscal impact on the general fund. The number of positions and funding available to be allocated is limited by funding provided in the Appropriations Act.

Also, the proposal is not expected to impact the current allocation of jail deputy positions for the Commonwealth's local and regional jails since the proposal addresses positions established on or after July 1, 2004.

*The following is included for informational purposes only.* To fund the jail deputy positions necessary to address jail overcrowding at the ratio of one deputy to every five average annual daily prisoners above capacity, approximately 902 additional deputy positions and \$24.2 million in the first year (\$27.0 million in the second year) would be required above the Governor's proposed budget bill.

9. **Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Compensation Board, local and regional jails statewide.

10. **Technical amendment necessary:** No.

**11. Other comments:** It is believed that sheriffs and superintendents will submit requests that will more closely meet the higher ratio calculations for additional deputies due to overcrowding because it will help increase funding to their facility. However, unless additional funding is provided via the Appropriations Act, there will be no increase in cost.

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