

Department of Planning and Budget

2008 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number SB 28

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron Miller, Y.B.

3. Committee Rehabilitation and Social Services

4. Title **Child friendly visiting rooms in correctional facilities**

5. Summary/Purpose:

The proposed bill would require all state prisons to provide “child-friendly” visiting rooms. These areas would have to include activities for young children and private areas for nursing. The bill also would prohibit prison regulations that would penalize inmates with sanctions, such as the termination of a visit, for normal child behavior.

6. Fiscal Impact: Indeterminate. See Item 8.

7. Budget amendment necessary: None.

8. Fiscal implications:

In order to provide activities for young children, there could be some one-time costs involved for equipment, materials, etc. Also, there may be some expenditures needed to adapt areas to provide privacy for nursing. However, because of the general nature of the requirements and not knowing specifically what would be required, it is not feasible to estimate the potential costs of this legislation.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: Department of Corrections

10. Technical amendment necessary: N/A

11. Other comments: N/A.

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