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S.B. 1021: FLOOR ANALYSIS

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Senate Bill 1021 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Senator John J.H. Schwarz, M.D. Committee: Local, Urban and State Affairs

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Prisoner Reimbursement to the County Act to permit a county to seek reimbursement for the maintenance and support or other expenses incurred for a pretrial detainee whose prosecution resulted in a felony conviction.

Currently, a county may seek reimbursement for any expenses incurred by the county in relation to a charge or charges for which a person was sentenced to county jail. At the request of a county board of commissioners or the county executive, or his or her designee, the sheriff of the county must forward to the board, the county executive, or his or her designee, a list containing the name of each sentenced prisoner, the term of sentence, and the date of admission, together with information regarding the financial status of each prisoner, as required by the county board, county executive, or his or her designee. Under the bill, a county sheriff would have to provide this information as well as the name and period of pretrial detention of each pretrial detainee whose prosecution resulted in conviction for a felony.

MCL 801.83 et al. Legislative Analyst: L. Arasim

FISCAL IMPACT

The county fiscal impact would depend on the costs incurred for imprisoned pretrial detainees who received felony convictions, and the degree to which counties would be able to recoup these costs. This bill would have no State fiscal impact.

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