

# Legislative Analysis

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## COUNTY JAIL REIMBURSEMENT

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**House Bill 5643 with House committee amendment**

**Sponsor: Rep. Bill Caul**

**Committee: Judiciary**

**Complete to 3-1-06**

## A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5643 AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

The bill would amend the Prisoner Reimbursement to the County Act to give a county three years (rather than 12 months) to file a civil action seeking reimbursement for the expenses of confining a person to county jail.

A county currently must file a civil action seeking reimbursement within 12 months after the release from county jail of a sentenced prisoner or of a pretrial detainee who is later convicted of a felony.

MCL 801.87

## FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill could increase revenues for counties, with the amount depending on the extent to which they were able to recover costs that otherwise would have been unrecoverable.

## POSITIONS:

The Michigan Sheriffs Association supports the bill. (3-1-06)

The Michigan Association of Counties supports the bill. (3-1-06)

The Sheriff of Isabella County testified in support of the bill. (3-1-06)

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