



ANALYSIS

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House Bill 4467 (as passed by the House) Sponsor: Representative Jon Bumstead

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Corrections Code to allow prisoners of any security level to be housed at the privately owned prison formerly known as the Michigan Youth Correctional Facility.

Under the Code, if the facility (which is located in Webber Township, Lake County) is not used by the Department of Corrections (DOC) for housing inmates or detainees under its jurisdiction, the private vendor that operates the facility may use it for housing, custody, and care of detainees or inmates from other local, state, or Federal agencies. The vendor may do so by contracting directly with those agencies or by having one or more of them enter into an interlocal agreement with Webber Township, Lake County, or the county sheriff of Lake County, who in turn may contract with the private vendor for services to be provided under the terms of the interlocal agreement.

The Code prohibits an inmate or detainee from being housed at the facility unless the inmate's or detainee's security classification, as it would be determined by the DOC if he or she were housed in a State correctional facility, is Level IV or below and has never previously been above Level IV. The bill would delete that provision.

"Security classification", as used in that provision, means one of six levels of restrictiveness enforced in housing units at each State correctional facility, as determined by the DOC, with Level I being the least restrictive and Level VI being the most restrictive. The bill would delete that definition.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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