



Senate

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Senate Bill No. 506

Senate, April 17, 2018

The Committee on Judiciary reported through SEN. DOYLE of the 9th Dist. and SEN. KISSEL of the 7th Dist., Chairpersons of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING EQUIPMENT PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION TO PAROLE OFFICERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 18-81aa of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2018*):

3 (a) Not later than January 1, 2009, the Department of Correction
4 shall provide in each correctional facility a secure video connection to
5 the Board of Pardons and Paroles for the purpose of permitting the
6 board to conduct parole release hearings of offenders by
7 videoconference.

8 (b) Not later than January 1, 2019, the Commissioner of Correction
9 shall ensure that (1) each parole officer who is assigned to community
10 duty is equipped with a two-way radio during the course of such duty,
11 and (2) each state vehicle assigned to a parole officer is equipped with
12 flashing lights, a siren and windows that have been tinted or darkened.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2018</i>	18-81aa

JUD *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 19 \$	FY 20 \$
Correction, Dept.	GF - Potential Savings	310,000	None

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

This bill requires parole officers to be equipped with a two way radio and a state police like vehicle and results in a cost of \$310,000 to the state in FY 19. There are 128 parole officers in the state and it will cost \$134,000 for the radios and \$176,000 for the lights and sirens. There is no cost for the tinted windows because the vehicles already have these.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to replacement costs.

OLR Bill Analysis**SB 506*****AN ACT CONCERNING EQUIPMENT PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION TO PAROLE OFFICERS.*****SUMMARY**

This bill requires the Department of Correction commissioner, by January 1, 2019, to ensure that:

1. each parole officer assigned to community duty is equipped with a two-way radio while on duty and
2. each state vehicle assigned to a parole officer is equipped with flashing lights, a siren, and tinted or darkened windows.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2018

COMMITTEE ACTION

Judiciary Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 39 Nay 1 (04/04/2018)