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AN ACT CONCERNING NEWLY DISCOVERED EVIDENCE.
AMENDMENT

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 19 \$	FY 20 \$
Correction, Dept.	GF - Potential Cost	See Below	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The amendment expands the charge of sex trafficking to include the exchange of anything of value instead of a fee and results in a potential cost for increased incarcerations. In FY 17 there were five arrests under this charge, of which four charges were dismissed, though it is believed that incidents occur currently where a potential victim is compensated non-monetarily and would not be prosecuted for this charge under current law.

On average, the marginal cost to the state for incarcerating an offender for the year is \$1,900.¹

¹ Inmate marginal cost is based on increased consumables (e.g. food, clothing, water, sewage, living supplies, etc.) This does not include a change in staffing costs or utility expenses because these would only be realized if a unit or facility opened.

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