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AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE
CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION WITH RESPECT TO
MISDEMEANOR SENTENCES.

AMENDMENT

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 20 \$	FY 21 \$
Correction, Dept.	GF - Potential Cost	See Below	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The amendment strikes the underlying bill and its associated fiscal impact resulting in the following impact. This amendment adds one type of assault if the victim is under 16 to the list of crimes committed on or after October 1, 1994, that are ineligible to receive Risk Reduction Earned Credits (RREC) and results in a cost to the state. There are currently 38 inmates sentenced under the assault charge and to the extent that offenders are currently receiving RREC, this results in a potential cost to the state due to these inmates not being able to reduce their sentences with these credits. On average, the marginal cost to the state for incarcerating an offender for the year is \$1,800.¹

¹ Inmate marginal cost is based on reduced consumables (e.g. food, clothing, water, sewage, living supplies, etc.) This does not include an increase in staffing costs or

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utility expenses because these would only be realized if additional units or facilities opened.