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AN ACT CONCERNING PAROLE OPPORTUNITIES FOR
INDIVIDUALS SERVING LENGTHY SENTENCES FOR CRIMES
COMMITTED BEFORE THE INDIVIDUAL TURNED TWENTY-ONE
YEARS OF AGE.

AMENDMENT

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 22 \$	FY 23 \$
Judicial Dept.	GF - Cost	1,037,236- 1,234,045	1,060,853- 1,263,566
State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits ¹	GF - Cost	325,128- 406,411	334,882- 418,603

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The amendment strikes the underlying bill and the associated fiscal impact. The amendment requires the Judicial Department to monitor by GPS device juveniles charged with a motor vehicle related offense and juveniles charged with a subsequent related delinquency offense while the previous related charge is still pending and results in a cost of \$1,362,364 to \$1,640,456 annually.

The Judicial Department does not currently use GPS monitoring on

¹The fringe benefit costs for most state employees are budgeted centrally in accounts administered by the Comptroller. The estimated active employee fringe benefit cost associated with most personnel changes is 41.3% of payroll in FY 22 and FY 23.

juveniles. Based on FY 20 data, there are approximately 225 juveniles who would require monitoring based on the requirements of the bill. The agency would need to hire an additional 12-15 juvenile probation officers at an annual cost of \$787,236 to \$984,045. An additional cost of \$325,1285 to \$406,410 would be incurred by the State Comptroller for fringe benefits.

The amendment results in an additional cost of approximately \$250,000 annually for the cost of GPS monitoring. This cost will differ depending on how many individuals require GPS monitoring.

The amendment also results in a potential cost to the Judicial Department due to a possible increase in the juvenile detention population. Depending on the population increase, the amendment may require additional juvenile detention staff or contracts with private providers.

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