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Bill Number:	H. 4541	Introduced on January 11, 2022
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Subject:	Treatment of Pregnant and Postpartum Inmates	
Requestor:	House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs	
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Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill establishes requirements for prisons, local detention facilities, and prison work camps regarding the treatment of pregnant and postpartum inmates.

The fiscal impact is pending, contingent upon responses from the Department of Corrections and local law enforcement.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

Introduced on January 11, 2022

State Expenditure

This bill establishes requirements for prisons, local detention facilities, and prison work camps regarding the treatment of pregnant and postpartum inmates. These requirements include the following:

- Within seven days of arrival at a prison, detention center, or prison work camp, an inmate who is confirmed to be pregnant must be scheduled for a pregnancy examination by a qualified provider.
- Pregnant inmates must receive a prescribed schedule of prenatal care visits and have access to newborn care.
- Pregnant inmates who have used opioids prior to incarceration must be provided with medication-assisted treatment and information on withdrawal.
- An inmate who gives birth after incarceration must be provided with information on relevant community-based programs and be referred to a social worker.
- A pregnant inmate who is in labor must be transported to a state licensed hospital or birthing center for the purpose of giving birth and may opt to have an approved support person present.
- Postpartum inmates must be allowed twelve weeks for recovery, during which time they must receive follow-up medical care.

A determination of the bill's fiscal impact is pending, as the Department of Corrections is still reviewing the bill.

State Revenue

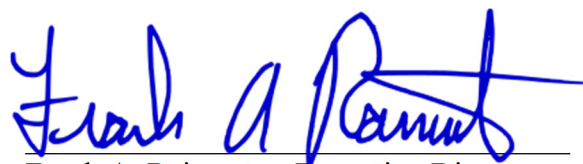
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Local Expenditure

This bill establishes requirements for prisons, local detention facilities, and prison work camps regarding the treatment of pregnant and postpartum inmates. The local expenditure impact is pending, contingent upon responses from local law enforcement.

Local Revenue

N/A



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