

MINUTES

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON CORRECTIONS

DATE: Wednesday, March 29, 2017

The subcommittee meeting was called to order by Representative Pagel at 10:30 a.m.

Roll was taken: Present – Representatives Pagel, Yarocho, Afendoulis, VanSingel, Santana, and Durhal III

Absent – None

I. Approval of the Minutes from the Previous Subcommittee Meeting

A motion was moved by Representative Afendoulis to approve the minutes from the subcommittee meeting held on March 8, 2017. The motion prevailed, a majority of the members voting in the affirmative.

II. House Substitute for HB 4227 (H-1) Draft 1

- A. Representative Yarocho moved to adopt the House Substitute for HB 4227 (H-1) Draft 1. The motion prevailed, a majority of the members voting in the affirmative. Yeas (6) - Representatives Pagel, Yarocho, Afendoulis, VanSingel, Santana, and Durhal III. Nays (0). Passes (0).
- B. Robin Risko from the House Fiscal Agency proceeded to give an overview of the contents of the bill. She highlighted appropriations as compared to the current year budget and the Executive recommendation. The House Subcommittee Chairman's recommendation is \$2,007.9 million Gross, \$1,954.1 million GF/GP. The budget is \$5.2 million Gross, \$2.2 million GF/GP over current year appropriated levels and \$6.5 million Gross, \$10.0 million GF/GP under the Executive recommendation. She highlighted the new boilerplate sections added by the Chair. Discussion ensued.
- C. Representative Santana moved to transfer \$275,000 GF/GP from the Prisoner Health Care Services line item to the Reentry MDOC Programs line item to fund the Access for All Pilot Program, and to include boilerplate that requires the department to work with representatives from the Access for All program to secure employment for prisoners returning to Wayne County. The motion failed, a majority of the members not voting in the affirmative. Yeas (2) - Representatives Santana and Durhal III. Nays (4) - Representatives Pagel, Yarocho, Afendoulis, and VanSingel. Passes (0).
- D. Representative Santana moved to include a boilerplate section that requires the department to report on actual and projected savings achieved by closing correctional facilities. The motion prevailed, a majority of the members voting in the affirmative. Yeas (6) - Representatives Pagel, Yarocho, Afendoulis, VanSingel, Santana, and Durhal III. Nays (0). Passes (0).
- E. Representative Santana moved to include a boilerplate section that requires the department to consider the potential economic impact of a prison closure on the community where the facility is located. Representative Pagel suggested rewording the last sentence of the amendment. The motion to adopt the amendment as amended prevailed, a majority of the members voting in the affirmative. Yeas (6) - Representatives Pagel, Yarocho, Afendoulis, VanSingel, Santana, and Durhal III. Nays (0). Passes (0).
- F. Representative Santana moved to include a boilerplate section that requires the department to report on the number of youth in prison. The motion prevailed, a majority of the members voting in the affirmative. Yeas (6) - Representatives Pagel, Yarocho, Afendoulis, VanSingel, Santana, and Durhal III. Nays (0). Passes (0).

- G. Representative Durhal moved to include a boilerplate section that requires the department to provide notice by June 1 to the legislature and fiscal agencies of its intent to renew or rebid the prisoner food service contract. Representative Pagel suggested changing the date to July 1. The motion to adopt the amendment as amended prevailed, a majority of the members voting in the affirmative. Yeas (6) - Representatives Pagel, Yaroch, Afendoulis, VanSingel, Santana, and Durhal III. Nays (0). Passes (0).
- H. Representative Durhal moved to add \$3.5 million GF/GP back into the budget for the Public Safety Initiative. The motion failed, a majority of the members not voting in the affirmative. Yeas (2) - Representatives Santana and Durhal III. Nays (4) - Representatives Pagel, Yaroch, Afendoulis, and VanSingel. Passes (0).
- I. Representative Yaroch moved to report the House Substitute for HB 4227 (H-1) Draft 1, as amended, out of the House subcommittee and refer it to the House Standing Committee on Appropriations with recommendation that it pass. The motion prevailed, a majority of the members voting in the affirmative. Yeas (4) - Representatives Pagel, Yaroch, Afendoulis, and VanSingel. Nays (0). Passes (2) - Representatives Santana and Durhal III.

III. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the subcommittee, Representative Pagel adjourned the subcommittee meeting at 11:05 a.m.