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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2215

As Recommended by House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

Brief*

HB 2215 would amend the required contribution of the Department of Corrections (DOC) within the definition of "public-private partnership" to 50 percent.

Under current law, DOC may establish a public-private partnership with a private entity to develop, finance, construct, or renovate a building at a correctional institution, provided the DOC contribution does not exceed 25 percent of the total cost.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice at the request of a representative of DOC.

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In the House Committee hearing, a representative of DOC presented **proponent** testimony, stating that DOC engaged a consultant who determined that potential donors wanted to see a one-to-one match of funds for the Lansing Correctional Facility Career Campus project, instead of the current, lower match that is in statute, and noted money for the project is already appropriated.

^{*}Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at https://klrd.gov/

Not other testimony was provided.

Fiscal Information

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, DOC indicates the bill would allow the agency to move forward with its Lansing Correctional Facility Career Campus project. The 2024 Legislature appropriated \$20.0 million from the State General Fund to be used as a one-for-one match with privately raised moneys; however, this appropriation was later found to be in conflict with the statute this bill would amend. The fiscal effect associated with HB 2215 is fully reflected in *The FY 2026 Governor's Budget Report*, as the bill would authorize DOC to spend moneys that have already been appropriated to and budgeted by the agency.

Department of Corrections; public-private partnership; cost-share limit