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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A" to S.P. 805, L.D. 2004, Bill, "An Act to Divert Juvenile Offenders from Secure Detention"

Amend the bill in subsection 6-A in the 2nd line (page 1, line 7 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "~~Thirty Fifty~~" and inserting in its place the following: 'Thirty'

Further amend the bill in subsection 6-A in the 12th line (page 1, line 17 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "diversion" and inserting in its place the following: 'diversion'

Further amend the bill in subsection 6-A in the 16th line (page 1, line 21 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Funds not expended" and inserting in its place the following: 'All funds not committed'

STATEMENT OF FACT

Under current law the Department of Corrections reimburses counties for the cost of county jail prisoners. Thirty percent of this reimbursement is retained by the department until the county demonstrates that these funds will be used for correctional services that are the least restrictive consistent with public safety. Two thirds of these retained funds are released on demonstration of an acceptable adult program and 1/3 upon demonstration of a juvenile diversionary program.

The original bill changes the 30% retention of funds to 50% and changes the ratio between the adult and juvenile programs from 2/3:1/3 to 1/2:1/2. The bill provides that funds not spent by a county within 3 years revert to a pool available to other counties on a competitive basis.

2 This amendment eliminates the change from 30% retention of
funds to 50% and the requirement that the juvenile program be for
4 diversionary services. The amendment provides that funds need
only be committed by the county, not expended, to be protected
6 from the 3-year time deadline.

Reported by Senator Bustin for the Joint Select Committee
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