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House Bill 4397 (Substitute H-1 as reported with amendment)
Sponsor: Representative James McNutt
House Committee: Judiciary and Civil Rights
Senate Committee: Judiciary

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Department of Corrections law to increase the maximum number of prisoners allowed at the Western Wayne Correctional Facility from 500 to 775.

The bill also would refer to the Scott Correctional Facility as a “multi-security level prison”, rather than a “regional prison”.

MCL 791.220e

Legislative Analyst: P. Affholter

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have an indeterminate impact on State government.

By raising the prison population cap at the Western Wayne facility, the bill would enable the Department to double-bunk approximately 225 prison cells. While the additional costs of double-bunking would approximate \$2.4 million, this option is less costly than single-bunking these cells (at a cost of approximately \$4.1 million) or constructing new facilities to provide an additional 225 beds.

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