

Bill Summary
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Bill Analysis

SB 23 requires the Director of the Department of Corrections to investigate whether or not the Department should participate in a study sponsored by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) related to the use of cellular devices in the state's prisons. Should the FCC amend regulations related to the use of electronic devices in prisons, the Director may initiate a pilot program using available technology to prohibit the use of such devices within state prisons. Absent of any regulations to the contrary, the Director may utilize available technology to prohibit the use of cellular devices in the state's prisons.

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Fiscal Analysis

FY'20 Impact: \$60-\$100 million

The measure will cost the Department of Corrections an estimated \$60-100 million to build a system at each facility. Additional recurring non-infrastructure costs include operating system upgrades.

Per the Department of Corrections