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SENATE ENROLLED ACT No. 519

AN ACT concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 35-38-3-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.184-2018, SECTION 12, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 3. (a) Except as provided by subsection (b), a person convicted of a misdemeanor may not be committed to the department of correction.

(b) Upon a request from the sheriff, the commissioner may agree to accept custody of a misdemeanant:

- (1) if placement in the county jail:
 - (A) places the inmate in danger of serious bodily injury or death; or
 - (B) represents a substantial threat to the safety of others;
- (2) for other good cause shown; or
- (3) if a person has more than five hundred forty-seven (547) days remaining before the person's earliest release date as a result of:
 - (A) consecutive misdemeanor sentences; or
 - (B) a sentencing enhancement applied to a misdemeanor sentence.

(c) After June 30, 2014, and before January 1, 2016, a court may not commit a person convicted of a Level 6 felony to the department of correction if the person's earliest possible release date is less than

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ninety-one (91) days from the date of sentencing, unless the commitment is due to the person violating a condition of probation, parole, or community corrections by committing a new criminal offense.

(d) After December 31, 2015, a court may not commit a person convicted of a Level 6 felony to the department of correction unless:

(1) the commitment is due to the revocation of the person's sentence for violating probation, parole, or community corrections and the revocation of the person's sentence is due to a new criminal offense; ~~or~~

(2) the person is convicted of a Level 6 felony that was committed in a penal facility; or

~~(2)~~ **(3) the person:**

(A) is convicted of a Level 6 felony and the sentence for that felony is ordered to be served consecutively to the sentence for another felony;

(B) is convicted of a Level 6 felony that is enhanced by an additional fixed term under IC 35-50-2-8 through IC 35-50-2-16; or

(C) has received an enhanced sentence under IC 9-30-15.5-2; and the person's earliest possible release date is more than three hundred sixty-five (365) days after the date of sentencing.

A person who may not be committed to the department of correction may be placed on probation, committed to the county jail, or placed in community corrections for assignment to an appropriate community corrections program.

(e) Subject to appropriation from the general assembly, a sheriff is entitled to a per diem and medical expense reimbursement from the department of correction for the cost of incarcerating a person described in subsections (c) and (d) in a county jail. The sheriff is entitled to a per diem and medical expense reimbursement only for the time that the person described in subsections (c) and (d) is incarcerated in the county jail.

(f) Per diem and medical expense reimbursements received by a county under this section or received by a county from the state under any other law for the purpose of reimbursing sheriffs for the cost of incarcerating in county jails persons convicted of felonies:

(1) shall be deposited in the county general fund; and

(2) upon appropriation by the county fiscal body, shall be used by the county sheriff only for the purposes of paying the costs of incarcerating in the county jail persons described in subsections (c) and (d) or other persons convicted of felonies.



(g) The county auditor shall semiannually provide to the county fiscal body and the county sheriff an itemized record of the per diem and medical expense reimbursements received by the county under this section or under any other law for the purpose of reimbursing sheriffs for the cost of incarcerating persons convicted of felonies.

SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The legislative council is urged to assign to an appropriate interim study committee the task of studying the implementation of HEA 1006-2014.

(b) This SECTION expires January 1, 2020.

SECTION 3. An emergency is declared for this act.



President of the Senate

President Pro Tempore

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Governor of the State of Indiana

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