Commission on Jail Standards Summary of Recommendations - Senate

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Method of Financing	2018-19 Base	2020-21 Recommended	Biennial Change (\$)	Biennial Change (%)
General Revenue Funds	\$2,683,488	\$2,683,488	\$0	0.0%
GR Dedicated Funds	\$1,000,000	\$ 0	(\$1,000,000)	(100.0%)
Total GR-Related Funds	\$3,683,488	\$2,683,488	(\$1,000,000)	(27.1%)
Federal Funds	\$O	\$O	\$0	0.0%
Other	\$2,850	\$2,850	\$0	0.0%
All Funds	\$3,686,338	\$2,686,338	(\$1,000,000)	(27.1%)

	FY 2019	FY 2021	Biennial	Percent
	Budgeted	Recommended	Change	Change
FTEs	22.0	22.0	0.0	0.0%





Historical Full-Time-Equivalent Employees (FTEs)



The bill pattern for this agency (2020-21 Recommended) represents an estimated 100% of the agency's estimated total available funds for the 2020-21 biennium.

Commission on Jail Standards Summary of Funding Changes and Recommendations - Senate

Funding Changes and Recommendations for the 2020-21 Biennium compared to the 2018-19 Base Spending Level (in millions)		GR-Dedicated	Federal Funds	Other Funds	All Funds	Strategy in Appendix A
SIGNIFICANT Funding Changes and Recommendations (each issue is explained in Section 3 and additional details are provided in Appendix A):						
A) Prisoner Safety Fund - Recommendations include a decrease of \$1.0 million in grant funding.	\$0.0	(\$1.0)	\$0.0	\$0.0	(\$1.0)	C.1.1.
TOTAL SIGNIFICANT & OTHER Funding Changes and Recommendations (in millions)	\$0.0	(\$1.0)	\$0.0	\$0.0	(\$1.0)	As Listed
SIGNIFICANT & OTHER Funding Increases	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	As Listed
SIGNIFICANT & OTHER Funding Decreases	\$0.0	(\$1.0)	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	As Listed

NOTE: Totals may not sum due to rounding.

Commission on Jail Standards Selected Fiscal and Policy Issues - Senate

1. **Prisoner Safety Fund:** The Eighty-fifth Legislature established the Prisoner Safety Fund and appropriated \$1.0 million from General Revenue for deposit into General Revenue-Dedicated Fund No. 5172, Prisoner Safety Fund (which has no source of revenue), for capital improvement grants to 123 eligible counties, as identified in Senate Bill (SB) 1849.

Recommendations include a rider providing Unexpended Balance carry-forward authority between biennia through fiscal year 2020 and maintain \$127,290 in FY 2020–21 for the associated FTE to administer the grant program. This would allow TCJS to continue program outreach to local jails and provide additional time for all eligible jails to apply for Prisoner Safety Grants. SB 1849 requires all county jails to comply with the rules and procedures adopted by the Commission on Jail Standards (TCJS) by September 1, 2020. According to TCJS, 23 eligible counties have met the required capital standards. However, it is unlikely that TCJS will dispense the funding to all eligible counties within the 2018–2019 biennium. As of January 2019, 52 of the 119 eligible county jails had applied for the funding and 48 county jails had officially declined to apply.

Texas Commission on Jail Standards Rider Highlights - Senate

New Riders:

Recommendations include new Rider 5 granting unexpended balance authority in Strategy C.1.1, Prisoner Safety Grants.

Commission on Jail Standards Items Not Included in Recommendations - Senate

		2020-					
		GR & GR-D	All Funds	FTEs	Information Technology Involved?	Contracting Involved?	Estimated Continued Cost 2022-23
Age	ncy Exceptional Items - In Agency Priority Order						
1)	Manager I - 1.0 FTE to oversee certain agency functions and manage employees.	\$129,280	\$129,280	1.0	No	No	\$129,280
2)	Salary Increase - Funding for targeted salary increases for critical positions.	\$80,400	\$80,400	0.0	No	No	\$80,400
3)	Administrative Assistant III - 1.0 FTE to assist with fulfilling increased number of public information requests.	\$90,280	\$90,280	1.0	No	No	\$90,280
тс	DTAL Items Not Included in Recommendations	\$299,960	\$299,960	2.0			\$299,960

Commission on Jail Standards Appendices - Senate

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* Appendix is not included - no significant information to report

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Commission on Jail Standards Funding Changes and Recommendations - Senate, by Strategy -- ALL FUNDS

Strategy /Coal	2018-19	2020-21 Recommended	Biennial	%	Commonte
Strategy/Goal	Base	Kecommended	Change	Change	Comments
INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT A.1.1	\$1,092,987	\$997,128	(\$95,859)	р	\$95,859 decrease in General Revenue Funds, primarily in salaries and other personnel expenses, as the result of reallocation of funds to other strategies to best address agency need.
CONSTRUCTION PLAN REVIEW A.2.1	\$198,194	\$208,194	\$10,000		trategies A.2.1, A.2.2, and A.3.1, are increased due to reallocated General evenue from other strategies, per the agency's request.
MANAGEMENT CONSULTATION A.2.2	\$514,736	\$620,264	\$105,528	20.5%	
AUDITING POPULATION AND COSTS A.3.1	\$79,290	\$82,220	\$2,930	3.7%	
Total, Goal A, EFFECTIVE JAIL STANDARDS	\$1,885,207	\$1,907,806	\$22,599	1.2%	
INDIRECT ADMINISTRATION B.1.1	\$672,741	\$651,242	(\$21,499)	a	\$21,499 decrease in General Revenue Funds, primarily in Other Personnel Costs and Other Operating Expense, as the result of reallocation of existing appropriations to address agency need.
Total, Goal B, INDIRECT ADMINISTRATION	\$672,741	\$651,242	(\$21,499)	(3.2%)	
PRISONER SAFETY GRANTS C.1.1	\$1,128,390	\$127,290	(\$1,001,100)	G	\$1.0 million decrease in General Revenue-Dedicated Funds and \$1,100 in General Revenue Funds for one time startup costs related to the administration of ne Prisoner Safety Fund.
Total, Goal C, PRISONER SAFETY GRANTS	\$1,128,390	\$127,290	(\$1,001,100)	(88.7%)	
Grand Total, All Strategies	\$3,686,338	\$2,686,338	(\$1,000,000)	(27.1%)	

Commission on Jail Standards FTE Highlights - Senate

Full-Time-Equivalent Positions	Expended 2017	Estimated 2018	Budgeted 2019	Recommended 2020	Recommended 2021
Сар	17.0	22.0	22.0	22.0	22.0
Actual/Budgeted	14.6	18.8	22.0	NA	NA
Schedule of Exempt Positions (Cap)					
Executive Director, Group 1	\$101,780	\$108,469	\$108,469	\$108,469	\$108,469

Notes:

a) State Auditor's Office is the source for the FY 2017 annual average (actual) and the FY 2018 annual average (actual) FTE levels.

b) Fiscal years 2017 and 2018 actual FTE figures are less than the FTE cap limits due to staff vacancies.

c) The State Auditor's Office report entitled Executive Compensation at State Agencies (Report No. 18-705, August 2018) indicates a market average salary of \$127,394 for the Executive Director position at the Commission on Jail Standards and recommends changing the Group classification for the position from Group 1 to Group 3. The agency is not requesting any changes to its Exempt Position.

Commission on Jail Standards Performance Measure Highlights - Senate

	Expended 2017	Estimated 2018	Budgeted 2019	Recommended 2020	Recommended 2021
Number Of On-site Mental Health Training Provided to Ja		150	165	165	165
New Measure Explanation: The measure tracks the number local jail employees.	of trainings provided by TCJS' three mental hea	Ith trainers. These t	rainers provide eigh	t hours of mental he	alth education for
Average Cost Of Mental Health Training Visit	0	540	540	545	545
New Measure Explanation: Measures the efficiency of men	tal health training program.				
Number Of County Jailers Receiving Mental Health Trainin	ng O	2,700	3,000	3,000	3,000
New Measure Explanation: The measure tracks how many j Legislature, all county jailers must receive mental health tr		g provided by TCJS	' three mental health	n trainers. Per Senate	e Bill 1849, 85th
Number Of Jails Receiving Grants From The Prisoner Safe	ty Fund 0	8	50	42	0
New Measure Explanation: The measure tracks the number provide grants to counties' with a jail capacity of not more		y Fund, as establish	ed by the 85th Legis	slature. TCJS is only	authorized to
Average Grant Amount Provided Through the Prisoner Sat	fety Fund 0	4,800	4,800	4,800	4,800
New Measure Explanation: Measures the average amount most efficient manner possible.	of funding provided to each qualifying county jo	ail through the Priso	ner Safety Fund to e	ensure state dollars o	are used in the
Number of Facilities Receiving Notices of Non-compliance	52	46	80	45	45
Measure Explanation: The measure counts the number of lo	ocal jail facilities receiving a notice of non-compl	iance as the result c	of an annual or speci	ial inspection.	

Appendix E

Commission on Jail Standards Summary of Ten Percent Biennial Base Reduction Options - Senate

			Biennial	Reduction Am	ounts	ן			
Priority	ltem	Description/Impact	GR & GR-D	All Funds	FTEs	Potential Revenue Loss	Reduction as % of Program GR/GR-D Total	Program GR/GR-D Total	Included in Introduced Bill
1)	Reduction: Prisoner Safety Fund	The amount of grants awarded from the Prisoner Safety Fund would be reduced by \$25,000 each year.	\$50,000	\$50,000	0.0	\$0	4%	\$1,128,390	No
	Travel Reduction: Inspection and Enforcement	The agency would reduce travel, consumables, cost associated with machine rentals (computers and copiers) and cost associated with Other Operating Expenses by \$57,712.	\$57,712	\$57,712	0.0	\$0	5%	\$1,116,878	
2)	Reduction: Prisoner Safety Fund	The amount of grants awarded from the Prisoner Safety Fund would be reduced by \$25,000 each year.	\$50,000	\$50,000	0.0	\$0	4%	\$1,128,390	No
	FTE Reduction: Indirect Administration	The agency would eliminate one FTE from the Indirect Administration strategy (receptionist).	\$57,712	\$57,712	1.0	\$O	9%	\$652,741	
3)	FTE Reduction: Construction Plan Review	The agency would eliminate one FTE from the Construction Plan Review strategy (planning assistant).	\$57,712	\$57,712	1.0	\$0	31%	\$188,194	No
4)	FTE Reduction: Inspection and Enforcement	The agency would eliminate one FTE from Inspection and Enforcement strategy (inspector).	\$57,710	\$57,710	1.0	\$0	5%	\$1,116,878	No

TOTAL, 10% Reduction Options	\$330,846	\$330,846	3.0	\$0