

Colorado Commission on Criminal & Juvenile Justice

FY2008 RECOMMENDATION/FY08-CS64 CREDIT FOR TIME SERVED

Status: Implementation Complete

Actions/Updates

2010 UPDATE

Implemented. This recommendation was implemented through House Bill 09-1263. The fiscal note for this bill estimated that there would be no fiscal impact. Further, since the 2009 impact would not be realized until the technical violators are released, so any impact that might occur would be delayed until 2010.

2009 IMPACT

Average length of time in prison for inmates revoked on parole should decrease. However, this information cannot be analyzed until those inmates are released again, and time in prison can be calculated. This information, when available, will be presented in future Commission reports.

Description

Clarify the statute and mandate that parolees receive credit for the time spent in jail pending a technical parole revocation.

Agencies Responsible

General Assembly, county jails

Discussion

This recommendation was successfully implemented with the passage of HB 09-1263. This important reform provides for the equitable application of time credits in county jails and moderately reduces the average length of stay in prison. HB 09-1263 is consistent with the Commission's statutory mandates to "...ensure justice..." and enhance "the cost-effective use of public resources" [C.R.S. 16-11.3-103(1)].

Footnotes

Note: Elements from recommendations L-2, L-3, L-4 and CS-64 were combined into House Bill 09-1263.