

# Colorado Commission on Criminal & Juvenile Justice

# FY2008 RECOMMENDATION/FY08-GP28 COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS GRACE PERIOD STUDY

**Status:** Implementation Complete

### **Actions/Updates**

#### **2016 UPDATE**

Implementation and program evaluation complete.

#### **2015 UPDATE**

Program evaluation is complete.

#### **2014 UPDATE**

House Bill 2014 - 1245 created a Subsistence Grace Period Pilot project was created and the Division of Criminal Juscied was instructed to evaluate this program with a report to the Joint Budget Committee by November, 2015.

#### **2010 UPDATE**

No Implementation.

# 2009 ACTION/IMPLEMENTATION

The pilot study proposed by the Governor's Community Corrections Advisory Council has not received the funding necessary for implementation. Due to the lack of funding, no implementation plan is in place.

#### 2009 BARRIER

The Office of Community Corrections estimates that a two week grace period on payment of fees for offenders in community corrections would cost the state \$1,585,000 per year.

# **Description**

The Commission supports an initiative by the Governor's Community Corrections Advisory Council to pilot a carefully controlled study to address the value of providing a two to four week "grace period" in which fees and subsistence payments are delayed until the offender is stabilized in the community. After appropriate data is collected and analyzed, the Advisory Council should determine whether further recommendations to the executive and legislative branches are appropriate.

# **Agencies Responsible**

Community Corrections Advisory Committee, Department of Public Safety (DCJ, Office of Community Corrections)

# **Discussion**

Implementation of this recommendation is consistent with the Commission's statutory mandate "to investigate effective alternatives to incarceration [and] the factors contributing to recidivism..." [C.R.S. 16-11.3-103(2)(b)].