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EXECUTIVE AGENCY

FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: April 10, 2023

Agency Submitting: Department of Corrections

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2022-23	Fiscal Year 2023-24	Fiscal Year 2024-25	Effect on Future Biennia
Phone Commissions (Revenue)		($980,415)	($980,414)	($1,960,830)
Phone Charges (Expense)		$5,117,418	$5,117,418	$10,354,837
Total	0	($6,097,833)	($6,097,832)	($12,315,667)

Explanation (Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

NDOC currently charges offenders for phone calls at $0.11 to $0.14 rate per minute revenue from the calls pay for the cost of the telecommunications contract amounting to approximately $5.1 million per year. In addition, NDOC receives a commission of $.02 per minute generating revenue pay approximately $980k thousand per year. The commissions earned by the department help to defray the costs of telecommunication infrastructure and departmental overhead costs. If this measure were to be implemented, a different revenue source would be needed to support offender telecommunications activities as this would impact the solvency of the fund.

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GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF FINANCE COMMENTS

Date Monday, April 10, 2023

The agency's response appears reasonable.

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