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SUBJECT: Vermont Department of Corrections Report: Out-of-State Beds Budget and Savings

**TO:** Joint Fiscal Committee

CC: Adam Greshin, Commissioner, Department of Finance & Management

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Per Act 74 of 2021, the Vermont Department of Corrections (Vermont DOC) is required to report to the Joint Fiscal Committee about funding and possible savings for out-of-state beds.

## **SAVINGS**

For FY21, Vermont DOC did have General Fund savings in the out-of-state budget that amounted to \$417,030.02. These funds were carried forward to the Vermont DOC FY22 budget, and are to be used for Justice Reinvestment II initiatives. The savings are a result of the decline in out-of-state population numbers.

## **FY22 BUDGET**

Vermont DOC expects, but cannot guarantee, that there will be much more significant savings in FY22. The budget allows for a caseload of nearly 200 individuals. The out-of-state population numbers have been below that since July 1, 2021, and are currently at 145 as of the date of this report.

