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Fiscal Note

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H.410 (Act 94) – An act relating to the calculation of recidivism and other related criminology measures

As Enacted¹

Bill Summary

This act creates a new chapter in Title 13 that includes a definition for “recidivism,” and requires the Vermont Statistical Analysis Center to complete annual reports to the General Assembly on or before April 1 on bail rates, recidivism, arrests and clearance rates, and sentencing.

The act appropriates \$25,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety for contracted support related to the Vermont Statistical Analysis Center in fiscal year 2027 to fund the completion of the reports required by the act.

The act appropriates \$25,000 from the General Fund in fiscal year 2027 to fund the completion of four required annual reports.

Fiscal Impact

Section 4 appropriates \$25,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety for contracted support related to the Vermont Statistical Analysis Center, to be used as follows, to complete four annual reports required by Section 1:

- \$10,000 for the bail rates report;
- \$10,000 for the recidivism report;
- \$1,000 for the arrests and clearance rates report; and
- \$4,000 for the sentencing reports.

These reporting requirements would represent ongoing costs in future fiscal years.

¹ The full fiscal note history is available on the fiscal tab of the bill page on the General Assembly website and can be pulled up through a bill number search on the JFO page.

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