

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1197

Introduced by Assembly Members Hill and V. Manuel Pérez

February 18, 2011

An act relating to prison construction funding.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1197, as introduced, Hill. Prison construction funding.

Existing law, the Public Safety and Offender Rehabilitation Services Act of 2007, authorizes the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to design, construct, or renovate prison housing units, prison support buildings, and programming space in order to add additional beds, to acquire land, design, construct, and renovate reentry program facilities, and to construct and establish new buildings at facilities under the jurisdiction of the department to provide medical, dental, and mental health treatment or housing, as specified.

This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would authorize a different purpose for the unallocated portions of the Phase 1 and Phase 2 local jail and reentry funds, as authorized pursuant to the Public Safety and Offender Rehabilitation Services Act of 2007, for jail construction and county jail beds. The bill would also express the intent of the Legislature to enact statutory changes that would eliminate the requirement that counties coordinate a local program with a state reentry facility in order to access local funds provided pursuant to that act. The bill would also express the intent of the Legislature that these proposed statutory changes would be prospective only, and would apply only to county projects and future applicants.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
2 legislation that would authorize a different purpose for the
3 unallocated portions of the Phase 1 and Phase 2 local jail and
4 reentry funds, as authorized pursuant to the Public Safety and
5 Offender Rehabilitation Services Act of 2007, for jail construction
6 and county jail beds. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
7 statutory changes that would eliminate the requirement that
8 counties coordinate a local program with a state reentry facility in
9 order to access local funds provided pursuant to that act. It is
10 further the intent of the Legislature that these proposed statutory
11 changes would be prospective only, and would apply only to county
12 projects and future applicants.

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