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HB 2333: appropriation; coordinated reentry planning
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Overview

Appropriates \$17,000,000 from the state General Fund (GF) in FY 2024 to the Arizona Department of Administration (ADOA) for a coordinated reentry services program (Program).

History

Current law allows each county to establish a Program for the purpose of screening and assessing persons who are booked into a county jail and connecting them with behavioral health and substance disorder treatments. Counties that establish a Program must also establish a planning committee comprised of specific persons to develop the Program's policies and procedures.

Subject to available funding, a Program is required to:

- 1) Allow entities to access and use a cross-system recidivism tracking data base (Data Base) which contains data from prearrest diversion programs, reentry screenings and reentry planning before, during and postrelease;
- 2) Establish an information exchange mechanism that includes reentry planning efforts between entities, counties, cities, towns and other state political subdivisions;
- 3) Enable collaborative efforts that include treatment, peer support, housing, transportation and employment services by developing or extending a coalition;
- 4) Establish agreements with coalition partners in which treatment providers use the Data Base to record postrelease treatment engagement; and
- 5) Utilize the Data Base to record baseline and ongoing statistics for identified needs, referrals and future Program participants ([A.R.S. § 11-392](#)).

Provisions

1. Appropriates \$17,000,000 from the GF in FY 2024 to ADOA to be distributed to counties for a Program as follows:
 - a) \$2,300,000 to each of Mohave, Pinal and Yavapai counties to continue to implement the Program in each county;
 - b) \$7,100,000 to distribute as grants to counties other than Mohave, Pinal and Yavapai counties to implement a Program; and
 - c) \$3,000,000 to the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission to develop a Data Base. (Sec. 1)
2. Exempts the appropriation from lapsing and specifies the Legislature's intent that the appropriation be considered ongoing in future years. (Sec. 1)

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