

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS**HB 551****2019 Regular Session****Jackson**

SHERIFFS: Provides relative to the amount DPS&C pays for the housing of state inmates in a parish jail or institution

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Changes the per diem amount paid for housing individuals in parish jails or facilities for FY 2021 from \$27.39 per day to \$26.39 per day and provides that the per diem rate of \$26.39 shall apply in each fiscal year after FY 2021.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law requires DPS&C to pay the sheriff of a parish, or to the governing authority of those parishes in which the governing authority operates a parish jail, a sum of \$24.39 per day for housing an individual in a parish jail. Present law requires the daily sum to be paid from date of sentencing until the individual is confined in a penal or correctional institution under the supervision of the department.

Proposed law increases this per diem amount from \$24.39 per day to \$25.39 per day for FY 2020, and to \$26.39 per day for FY 2021 and thereafter.

Proposed law additionally requires DPS&C to work with sheriffs or governing authorities of parish jails to ensure that basic jail guidelines provide for treatment and educational programming for individuals confined in parish jails by Dec. 31, 2020.

(Amends R.S. 15:824(B)(1)(a))