

Fiscal Note H.B. 203 2023 General Session Inmate Education Amendments by Ballard, M.



General, Income Tax, and Uniform School Funds

JR4-4-101

| | Ongoing | One-time | Total |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Net GF/ITF/USF (revexp.) | \$(1,769,800) | \$(2,796,600) | \$(4,566,400) |

State Government UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

| Revenues | FY 2023 | FY 2024 | FY 2025 |
|----------------|---------|------------|------------|
| General Fund | \$0 | \$(16,500) | \$(16,500) |
| Total Revenues | \$0 | \$(16,500) | \$(16,500) |

Enactment of this legislation could result in an ongoing revenue reduction of \$16,500 General Fund for the Department of Corrections beginning in FY 2024 as a result of inmates no longer being required to pay 50% of tuition prior to enrolling in a higher education course.

| Expenditures | FY 2023 | FY 2024 | FY 2025 |
|---|---------|-------------|-------------|
| General Fund | \$0 | \$1,666,500 | \$1,666,500 |
| General Fund, One-time | \$0 | \$2,649,800 | \$0 |
| Income Tax Fund | \$0 | \$86,800 | \$86,800 |
| Income Tax Fund, One-time | \$0 | \$146,800 | \$0 |
| Prison Telephone Surcharge Account (GFR) | \$0 | \$960,500 | \$960,500 |
| Total Expenditures | \$0 | \$5,510,400 | \$2,713,800 |

Enactment of this Legislation could cost the Department of Corrections \$90,900 to hire one FTE and associated data processing and supplies to process applications to view an inmate"s financial status. Enactment of this legislation could also cost the Department of Corrections \$2,649,800 one time General Fund in FY 2024 and \$1,575,600 ongoing General Fund beginning in FY 2024 to purchase tablets for each inmate. Enactment of this legislation could also cost the State Board of Education \$146,800 one time Income Tax Fund in FY 2024 for one FTE to develop a computer and literacy program for inmates and \$86,800 ongoing Income Tax Fund beginning in FY 2024 for one FTE to oversee the computer literacy program. Enactment of this Legislation could also cost the Utah System of Higher Education \$960,500 ongoing from the Prison Telephone Surcharge Account beginning in FY 2024 to higher 6 education support specialists and one supervisor.

| | FY 2023 | FY 2024 | FY 2025 |
|---------------|---------|---------------|---------------|
| Net All Funds | \$0 | \$(5,526,900) | \$(2,730,300) |

Local Government UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation could cost local education authorities \$320,000 one time in FY 2024 for four FTEs to conduct computer literacy evaluations on all current inmates. Enactment of this legislation could also cost local education authorities \$160,000 ongoing beginning in FY 2024 for two FTEs to conduct computer literacy programs to inmates.

Individuals & Businesses

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not result in direct expenditures from tax or fee changes for Utah residents and businesses.

Regulatory Impact

UCA 36-12-13(2)(d)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not change the regulatory burden for Utah residents or businesses.

Performance Evaluation

JR1-4-601

This bill does not create a new program or significantly expand an existing program.

Notes on Notes

Fiscal notes estimate the direct costs or revenues of enacting a bill. The Legislature uses them to balance the budget. They do not measure a bill's benefits or non-fiscal impacts like opportunity costs, wait times, or inconvenience. A fiscal note is not an appropriation. The Legislature decides appropriations separately.