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TO: Honorable Jim McReynolds, Chair, House Committee on Corrections

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3226 by Madden (Relating to the payment of temporary housing costs for certain inmates who are eligible for parole.), **As Introduced**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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This bill would amend the Government Code by allowing for the payment of temporary housing costs for certain inmates eligible for parole. The bill would apply only to an inmate who is eligible for parole but has not been released on parole solely because a permanent post-release residence has not been located or established for the inmate. As of March 16, 2009, there were 239 inmates approved for parole but were pending release because a residential placement had not been secured. It is assumed that the cost of paying for temporary housing coupled with the savings associated with inmates being released to parole would not result in a significant fiscal impact from the bill.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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