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Community Corrections Purchase of Services Funding (Corrections)

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CURRENT LAW

Funding for probation, extended supervision, parole and intensive sanctions purchase of services for offenders in 2002-03 is \$19,042,300 GPR, excluding \$210,000 GPR for services associated with the Milwaukee Drug Court project.

GOVERNOR

Delete \$1,226,400 in 2002-03 in purchase of services funding in the Division of Community Corrections.

DISCUSSION POINTS

1. Purchase of services funding for probation, extended supervision and parole supports assessment and treatment services, employment services, day reporting centers, emergency housing, halfway houses, sex offender treatment, polygraph tests, temporary living placements, urinalysis testing and miscellaneous offender services. Total funding for these services in 2002-03 includes \$1,600,000 to support purchase of services funding (\$2,000 annually per offender) in two enhanced supervision projects created in 1997 Act 27 and \$360,000 to support transitional living placements associated with one of the projects. The remaining \$17,082,300 would be used for purchase of services for all other offenders in the community.

2. Purchase of services funding in 2001-02 is currently distributed as identified in the table below. The table also indicates what the distribution of funding would be in 2002-03 under SS AB 1 if purchase of services in 2002-03 were distributed similarly to 2001-02.

| <u>Item</u> | <u>2001-02</u> | <u>2002-03</u> |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Halfway House /Transitional Living Services | \$12,387,000 | \$11,682,500 |
| AODA | 984,500 | 928,500 |
| Day Reporting/Treatment Centers | 377,000 | 355,600 |
| Sex Offender Treatment | 604,000 | 569,700 |
| Urinalysis Screening | 861,500 | 812,500 |
| Other Programs | 482,000 | 454,600 |
| Wisconsin Fresh Start | 300,000 | 282,900 |
| Domestic Abuse | 137,000 | 129,200 |
| Miscellaneous Services | <u>679,000</u> | <u>640,400</u> |
| Total | \$16,812,000 | \$15,855,900 |

3. In the table, "other programs" include cognitive intervention programs (teaching offenders specific skills to identify, control and change their personal thinking processes and beliefs that lead to criminal behavior), anger management programs and community service projects. "Miscellaneous Services" includes sundry purchases, emergency housing, meals and medications. It should be noted that while Corrections indicates that purchase of service funds would be budgeted to be distributed in a manner similar to current distributions, actual funding provided would be based on individual offender service needs.

4. Act 16 increased purchase of service funding in 2002-03 by \$2,452,700 GPR, from base level funding of \$14,629,600 GPR to \$17,082,300 GPR. Under Act 16, purchase of services was estimated at \$300 per offender in 2001-02 and 2002-03, exclusive of offenders in the enhanced supervision program and absconders. Purchase of services was funded at \$14,629,600 GPR in 2000-01 and resulted in providing approximately \$267 per offender.

5. Under SS AB 1, the Governor deletes \$1,226,400 in 2002-03 in purchase of services funding in the Division of Community Corrections. This represents one-half of the funding increase provided in Act 16 in 2002-03 for purchase of services for offenders on probation, parole and extended supervision. Total purchase of services funding would be \$15,855,900 GPR in 2002-03 and would be estimated \$278 per offender on probation, parole and extended supervision (exclusive of 800 offenders in the enhanced supervision program and absconders). While SS AB 1 represents a 5.6% reduction in purchase of service funding from 2001-02 to 2002-03, overall funding for the program would increase by 8.4% over base year funding.

6. The funding reduction in the bill represents a reduction of the Act 16 increase and not a decision to provide purchase of service funding at a specific level. If the Committee wishes, the bill could be modified to provide purchase of service funding at any of the following levels:

| <u>Funding Level Per Offender</u> | <u>2002-03 Reduction</u> | <u>Change to Bill</u> | <u>2002-03 Total</u> |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| \$270 | -\$1,708,200 | -\$481,800 | \$15,374,100 |
| \$275 | -1,423,500 | -197,100 | 15,658,800 |
| \$278 (SS AB 1) | -1,226,400 | 0 | 15,855,900 |
| \$280 | -1,138,800 | 87,600 | 15,943,500 |
| \$285 | -854,100 | 372,300 | 16,228,200 |
| \$290 | -569,400 | 657,000 | 16,512,900 |
| \$295 | -284,700 | 941,700 | 16,797,600 |

7. If the provision is deleted, funding would remain at the levels provided in Act 16 (\$300 per offender) and result in an increase of \$1,226,400 GPR in 2002-03.

ALTERNATIVES TO BILL

1. Approve the Governor's recommendation to delete \$1,226,400 GPR in 2002-03 in purchase of services funding in the Division of Community Corrections.

2. Modify the bill to reduce funding by an additional \$481,800 GPR in 2002-03. This alternative would provide purchase of service funding at an estimated \$270 per offender in probation, extended supervision and parole in 2002-03.

| <u>Alternative 2</u> | <u>GPR</u> |
|----------------------|------------|
| 2001-03 FUNDING | -\$481,800 |

3. Modify the bill to reduce funding by an additional \$197,100 GPR in 2002-03. This alternative would provide purchase of service funding at an estimated \$275 per offender in probation, extended supervision and parole in 2002-03.

| <u>Alternative 3</u> | <u>GPR</u> |
|----------------------|------------|
| 2001-03 FUNDING | -\$197,100 |

4. Modify the bill to provide an additional \$87,600 GPR in 2002-03. This alternative would provide purchase of service funding at an estimated \$280 per offender in probation, extended supervision and parole in 2002-03.

| <u>Alternative 4</u> | <u>GPR</u> |
|----------------------|------------|
| 2001-03 FUNDING | \$87,600 |

5. Modify the bill to provide an additional \$372,300 GPR in 2002-03. This alternative would provide purchase of service funding at an estimated \$285 per offender in probation, extended supervision and parole in 2002-03.

| Alternative 5 | GPR |
|----------------------|------------|
| 2001-03 FUNDING | \$372,300 |

6. Modify the bill to provide an additional \$657,000 GPR in 2002-03. This alternative would provide purchase of service funding at an estimated \$290 per offender in probation, extended supervision and parole in 2002-03.

| Alternative 6 | GPR |
|----------------------|------------|
| 2001-03 FUNDING | \$657,000 |

7. Modify the bill to provide an additional \$941,700 GPR in 2002-03. This alternative would provide purchase of service funding at an estimated \$295 per offender in probation, extended supervision and parole in 2002-03.

| Alternative 7 | GPR |
|----------------------|------------|
| 2001-03 FUNDING | \$941,700 |

8. Delete the provision. This alternative would provide purchase of service funding at an estimated \$300 per offender in probation, extended supervision and parole in 2002-03.

| Alternative 8 | GPR |
|----------------------|-------------|
| 2001-03 FUNDING | \$1,226,400 |

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