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Correctional Facility RFP

2019 Acts and Resolves No. 42, Sec. 2, as amended by

2020 Acts and Resolves No. 139, Sec. 1

Sec. 1. 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 42, Sec. 2 is amended to read:

Sec. 2. STATE BUILDINGS

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(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2020:

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(4) Statewide, planning, use, and contingency: \$700,000.00

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(c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2021:

(4) Statewide, planning, use, and contingency: \$500,000.00

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(d)(1) For the amount appropriated in subdivision (b)(4) of this section, the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services is authorized to use up to \$200,000.00 to ~~assess relative costs and resource requirements for potential construction of a correctional facility that ranges in scale~~ issue a request for proposal to hire a consultant to analyze different state-of-the-art correctional facility models in order to accommodate the results of the Council of State Governments' study described in Sec. 28 of this act; provided, however, that the funds shall only become available after approval by the Joint Fiscal Committee and the Joint Legislative Justice Oversight Committee. If the cost

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1 of the analysis exceeds \$200,000.00, the Commissioner is authorized to use the
2 amounts appropriated in subdivisions (b)(4) and (c)(4) of this section to cover
3 the additional cost.

4 (2) On or before ~~March 15, 2020~~ January 1, 2021, the Commissioner
5 shall submit a copy of the ~~assessment~~ analysis described in subdivision (1) of
6 this subsection to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the
7 Senate Committee on Institutions. Beginning on July 1, 2020, the
8 Commissioner of Buildings and General Services and the Commissioner of
9 Corrections shall provide monthly updates on the status of the analysis to the
10 Joint Legislative Justice Oversight Committee.

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12 **2019 Acts and Resolves No. 42, Sec. 28**

13 Sec. 28. COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS; CORRECTIONS;
14 STUDY

15 (a) Intent. It is the intent of the General Assembly to work with the
16 Council of State Governments (CSG) to assess the population trends and
17 programming in the State's corrections system and that the State consider
18 criminal justice reform strategies as part of the Justice Reinvestment II
19 initiative. It is also the intent of the General Assembly that this assessment and
20 initiative shall inform infrastructure needs for State correctional facilities.

21 (b) Study. The Legislative Branch shall contract with the Council of State
22 Governments to work with the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial Branches
23 and conduct a review of programming, transitional services, and population

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1 trends in Vermont's correctional facilities. The review may include an
2 evaluation of the women's population in Vermont and the programming and
3 services needed to meet their needs, the detention population, and barriers that
4 exist to reducing the population.