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SENATE BILL ***303-FN***

AN ACT relative to the reimbursement of sheriffs offices for prisoner custody and control.

SPONSORS: Sen. Hennessey, Dist 1; Sen. Whitley, Dist 15; Sen. Bradley, Dist 3; Sen. French, Dist 7; Sen. D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Rep. Trottier, Belk. 6

COMMITTEE: Judiciary

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires the judicial branch to reimburse the sheriff's office at the rate provided in the collective bargaining agreement applicable to per diem court security officers for court security and prisoner custody and control.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struck through.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 161:1 Sheriffs and Constables; Fees of Sheriffs and Deputy Sheriffs. Amend RSA 104:31, XI-XII to
2 read as follows:

3 XI. The judicial branch shall reimburse the sheriff's office [~~for court security~~], within available
4 funds appropriated by the legislature, [~~\$80 for each full day and \$40 for each half day, plus traveling~~
5 ~~expenses to attend any official business~~] ***at the rates provided in the collective bargaining agreement***
6 ***applicable to per diem court security officers employed by the judicial branch for court security, to attend***
7 ***any official business, or*** for any person employed as a bailiff by the sheriff's office. For the purpose of this
8 paragraph, a half day shall be defined as a day in which a bailiff works 4 hours or less. The judicial
9 branch shall reimburse the counties, within available funds appropriated by the legislature, for all costs
10 associated with employing court bailiffs, if those costs are the result of job requirements imposed by
11 federal and state governments.

12 XII. The judicial branch shall reimburse the sheriff's office [~~for prisoner custody and control~~],
13 within available funds appropriated by the legislature, [~~\$65 for each full day and \$35 for each half day,~~
14 ~~plus traveling expenses to attend any official business~~] ***at the rates provided in the collective bargaining***
15 ***agreement applicable to per diem court security officers employed by the judicial branch***, for any person
16 employed as a sheriff for prisoner custody and control. For the purpose of this paragraph, a half day shall
17 be defined as a day in which a sheriff works 4 hours or less. The judicial branch shall reimburse the
18 counties, within available funds appropriated by the legislature, for all costs associated with employing
19 sheriffs, if those costs are the result of job requirements imposed by federal and state governments.
20 Billing for reimbursement of costs associated with video arraignments shall not be allowed under this
21 paragraph. Custody and control of prisoners for the purpose of video arraignments shall be the
22 responsibility of the county in which the video arraignment occurs, and such custody and control may be
23 exercised by county correctional officers.

24 161:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: June 07, 2022
Effective Date: August 06, 2022

