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**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**  
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**Bill Number:** S. 1017 Amended by Senate Family and Veterans' Services  
Subcommittee on January 29, 2020

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**Subject:** Vending Facilities Operated by Blind Persons

**Requestor:** Senate Family and Veterans Services

**RFA Analyst(s):** Miller

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### **Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill will have no expenditure impact on the Commission for the Blind because any vending facility that is terminated will repay all loaned funds.

Additionally, this bill may have an undetermined expenditure and revenue impact on local detention centers because the detention center no longer has to allow vending facilities operated by blind persons in non-publicly accessible areas.

### **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

#### **Amended by Senate Family and Veterans' Services Subcommittee on January 29, 2020**

##### **State Expenditure**

This amended bill adds non-publicly accessible areas of a local detention center to the exemptions for the required vending operations program by blind persons. Currently, these vending operations may operate in local detention facilities in non-publicly accessible areas. This amended bill will no longer require local detention facilities to allow these programs to operate in non-public areas. The Commission for the Blind oversees the vending facility program operated by blind persons. The Commission anticipates this amended bill will result in no expenditure impact. The Commission loans the initial set-up costs for vending locations to the vendor and is repaid upon termination or retirement of the vending location. Any vending locations currently operating in non-publicly accessible areas of local detention facilities that will close due to this bill will repay the loaned costs to the Commission, and therefore, result in no expenditure impact to the Commission.

##### **State Revenue**

N/A

##### **Local Expenditure and Local Revenue**

This amended bill adds non-publicly accessible areas of a local detention center to the exemptions for the required vending operations program by blind persons. Revenue and Fiscal Affairs contacted the local detention centers and received no responses. Therefore, this bill will have an undetermined impact on local detention centers because they will no longer have to allow vending facilities operated by blind persons in non-publicly accessible areas of the facility.

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