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## **ELECTRICAL FEE FOR PRISONERS**

House Bill 5620

Sponsor: Rep. James Ryan

Committee: Judiciary and Civil Rights

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## A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5620 AS INTRODUCED 2-22-96

House Bill 5620 would amend the prison code by adding a new section requiring prisoners to pay an electrical usage fee of \$3 per month to the Department of Corrections (DOC) during his or her incarceration. A prisoner would not be allowed to keep anything in his or her cell that required the use of electricity unless the prisoner had paid the fee. The fee would be collected from the prisoner's institutional account, either annually or at intervals set by the DOC.

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