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Overview

This act appropriates a total of \$45,142.23 from the general fund to the commissioner of corrections for payment of nine claims against the state for injuries and medical services for persons injured in community service, sentence-to-service work or while incarcerated and reimbursement for property damaged by an inmate. The payments include:

- \$4,938.44 for reimbursement for previously paid claims;
- \$9,875 for payment of two permanent injury claims for inmates;
- \$25,564.48 for payment of four claims for injuries and medical costs related to sentence-to-service work;
- \$4,343.10 for payment of one claim for medical costs related to community service work; and
- \$421.21 for one claim for reimbursement for property damaged by an inmate.

Also increases the statutory payment limit for the commissioners of human services and corrections for claims to employees related to property damage resulting from escaped inmates or runaway patients. The limit is raised to

\$500 from \$250 for the payment of these claims from current operating expense appropriations.