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Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services
Q0 - Capital
Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budget
Response to Department of Legislative Services Analysis

Senate Budget and Taxation Committee
Capital Budget Subcommittee
Senator Craig Zucker, Chair
March 7, 2023

House Appropriations Committee
Capital Budget Subcommittee
Delegate Mark Chang, Chair
March 8, 2023

ISSUE: MCI-H Perimeter Security Upgrade: These improvements and upgrades will consist of a new visitor's center, intrusion systems and alarms, and a gymnasium. The project's estimated total is \$43.7 million, a 62% increase over previous estimates. Initial planning is funded in fiscal 2025 at \$2.5 million.

RCI Gatehouse and Perimeter Security System: This project will construct a 32-bed ADA housing unit and a new gatehouse for the facility. Total costs are estimated to be \$45.3 million, an \$18 million increase over previous estimates. Initial planning is funded in fiscal 2024 at \$2.4 million. **DPSCS should provide justification for these cost increases and any increase in the project scopes.**

Response: DPSCS estimates at the time of Project Programming failed to adequately anticipate the increased cost in both labor and materials. The overall scope of each has not changed.

The most recent review of project scopes by DPSCS and DGS adjusted the project cost to more accurately reflect the current contracting environment.

GO Bond Recommended Action:

1. Approve proposed general obligation bond authorizations

Response: The Department concurs.