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An act to amend Section 30035.7 of the Government Code, relating to state government.



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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 30035.7 of the Government Code is amended to read:
30035.7. (a) Of the amount appropriated in the annual Budget Act or other measure for the program, the department's Office of State Audits and Evaluations may use up to five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) to ~~conduct a review~~ an audit of the program to determine its effectiveness in providing services to ~~offenders released from state prison or county jail.~~ ex-offenders.

(b) The department's Office of State Audits and Evaluations shall ~~initiate its review~~ conduct an audit of the ~~program on July 1, 2018.~~ program. The department shall provide a copy of the ~~review~~ audit to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee no later than May 1, ~~2019.~~ 2020. The copy of the ~~review~~ audit shall be submitted in compliance with Section 9795.

(c) Cities, counties, cities and counties, and facility operators that receive program funds shall agree, as a condition of receiving program funds, to cooperate fully with the ~~review~~ audit conducted pursuant to this section by the department's Office of State Audits and Evaluations.



LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

Bill No. _____
as introduced, _____.
General Subject: Community-Based Transitional Housing Program: audit.

Existing law establishes the Community-Based Transitional Housing Program, administered by the Department of Finance, for the purpose of providing grants to cities, counties, and cities and counties to increase the supply of transitional housing available to persons previously incarcerated for felony and misdemeanor convictions and funded with moneys appropriated for that purpose in the annual Budget Act or other measure. Existing law requires the department's Office of State Audits and Evaluations to conduct a review of the program, commencing July 1, 2018, to determine its effectiveness in providing services to offenders released from state prison or county jail, and authorizes the department to use up to \$500,000 of the amount appropriated in any budget act or other measure for the program for this review, as specified. Existing law requires the department to provide a copy of the audit to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee no later than May 1, 2019.

This bill would instead require the Office of State Audits and Evaluations to conduct an audit of the program, as specified, and would remove the requirement that the Office of State Audits and Evaluations commence the audit on July 1, 2018. The bill would extend the date by which the department is required to provide a copy of the audit to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee to no later than May 1, 2020.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

