

RESOLUTION 2000-25

**DETENTION COSTS FOR
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS INMATES**

County detention facilities should be reimbursed for costs retroactive to date of incarceration if inmate is convicted.

WHEREAS, Montana counties are reimbursed for detention costs for inmates held in county detention centers for the Department of Corrections; and

WHEREAS, Montana counties do not receive incarceration costs while defendants are awaiting trial in county detention facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Montana Department of Corrections only pays for detention costs after a defendant has been convicted;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that county detention facilities should be eligible for per day detention cost reimbursement retroactive to the date of incarceration if said inmate is convicted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that when an inmate held in county detention has been convicted and sentenced to the Montana Department of Corrections, the Montana Department of Corrections will be responsible for detention costs at a rate to be determined by contract from the date of incarceration, amending from the date of conviction.

SPONSOR: MACo Justice and Public Safety Committee

RECOMMENDATION: Do Pass

PRIORITY: High

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PRIORITY: High

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