

INCREASE COUNTY REWARD FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO ARREST AND CONVICTION

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House Bill 4045 as introduced
Sponsor: Rep. Kara Hope
Committee: Judiciary
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SUMMARY:

House Bill 4045 would amend the Code of Criminal Procedure to increase from \$2,000 to \$20,000 the maximum reward that a county board of commissioners could offer for the arrest and conviction, or for information leading to an arrest and conviction, of a person who has committed a crime or escaped from prison or jail in that county.

When the board of commissioners is not in session, its finance committee could offer and pay such a reward if requested by the county's sheriff or prosecuting attorney.

The bill would take effect 90 days after being enacted into law.

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

House Bill 4045 is identical to House Bill 4971 of the 2017-18 legislative session, which was passed by the House of Representatives in April 2018.¹

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 4045 would have no fiscal impact on state government and would have an indeterminate fiscal impact on local units of government. The bill authorizes counties to offer and pay out up to \$20,000 as a reward, but does not require counties to pay out that amount. Counties can decide the amount they want to offer as an award.

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¹ Additional information on House Bill 4971 can be found here: <http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2017-HB-4971>.