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BILL ANALYSIS

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House Bill 4045 (as passed by the House)
Sponsor: Representative Kara Hope
House Committee: Judiciary
Senate Committee: Judiciary and Public Safety

Date Completed: 9-22-20

CONTENT

The bill would amend Chapter XVI of the Code of Criminal Procedure to increase, from \$2,000 to \$20,000, the maximum reward that a county could offer for an arrest and conviction of a person who committed a crime or escaped from a penal institution.

The Code allow a county board of commissioners to offer and pay out of the county's general fund a maximum award of \$2,000 for the arrest and conviction, or for information leading to the arrest and conviction, of any person or people having committed a crime within the county or having escaped from any penal institution. The bill would increase, from \$2,000 to \$20,000, the maximum award the county could offer.

The Code specifies that the powers granted above could be exercised by the finance committee of a county board of commissioners when the board is not in session. Under the bill, this provision would apply upon the request of a reward by the sheriff or the prosecuting attorney of the county.

The bill would take effect 90 days after its enactment.

MCL 776.19

Legislative Analyst: Stephen Jackson

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no direct fiscal impact on the State and would have an indeterminate effect on local governments. The bill would allow a county to offer a larger reward for the arrest and conviction (or information leading to the arrest or conviction) of a person who committed a crime or escaped from a penal institution in the county. The fiscal impact would depend on the decisions made by county officials.

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