



Conference Committee on
House Justice Budget Subcommittee/
Senate Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice

House Offer #1
Conforming Bill HB 5403 E

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Correctional Facilities Financing and Capital Improvements

Section	House	Senate	Section	House Offer #1
1	Creates 944.751, F.S., which establishes Correctional Facilities Capital Improvement requirements for the Department of Corrections (FDC), as prescribed in the bill.	N/A	1	House
Subsection (1)	Provides legislative intent recognizing critical fixed capital outlay needs of FDC, and provides funding through cash payments or bond proceeds to address capital improvement funding for correctional facilities.	N/A	Subsection (1)	House
Subsection (2)	Directs the Legislature to appropriate \$2150 million in recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund to develop and implement a capital improvement plan for new and existing correctional facilities.	N/A	Subsection (2)	House Modified
Subsection (3)	Specifies use of funds specifically appropriated for capital improvement projects.	N/A	Subsection (3)	House
Subsection (4)	Directs FDC to begin planning and design of one new 4,800-bed correctional institution and one new 600-bed hospital unit, beginning on July 1, 2026; specifies site and workforce requirements for location of new facility.	N/A	Subsection (4)	House

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Subsection (5)	Directs FDC to include recommendations for the use of funds in its annual legislative budget request; specifies that any project costing more than \$5 million must be contracted with a construction management entity that will be responsible for scheduling and coordinating both the design and construction phases of the project; and requires the department to provide recommendations to the legislature, upon completion of new correctional institution construction, options to close existing facilities that are perpetually understaffed or continue to present excessive repair and renovation costs.	N/A	Subsection (5)	House
Subsection (6)	Authorizes the Division of Bond Finance to issue bonds to finance the construction of a new correctional facility only; specifies use and distribution of bond proceeds in accordance with the GAA.	N/A	Subsection (6)	House

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Subsection (7)	Establishes financing oversight committee to ensure funds and bond proceeds are spent efficiently and responsibly; specifies members of the committee will be composed of appointees from the Senate, House of Representatives, Office of Policy and Budget in the Executive Office of the Governor, FDC, and the division of bond finance; requires the committee to recommend the most cost-beneficial and effective financing methods to meet the needs of the department for any new capital facility construction.	N/A	Subsection (7)	House
2	Provides an effective date of July 1, 2026.	N/A	2	House