



Florida Senate - 2026
SB2500

Committee	Amendment
ACJ	81

The Committee on Appropriations (**Garcia**) recommended the following amendment:

Section: 04	<u>EXPLANATION:</u>
On Page: 214	Provides \$350,000 in nonrecurring general revenue funds for the Operation New Hope - Ready4Work (SF 3761).
Spec App: 1194	Reduces the Department of Juvenile Justice Maintenance and Repair - State Owned Buildings category by the same amount.

NET IMPACT ON:	Total Funds	General Revenue	Trust Funds
Recurring -	0	0	0
Non-Recurring -	0	0	0

Position & Amount
DELETE

Position & Amount
INSERT

1194 JUVENILE JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF
Program: Juvenile Detention Program
Detention Centers 80400100

In Section 04 On Page 214
Fixed Capital Outlay 080410
Department Of Juvenile Justice
Maintenance And Repair - State Owned
Buildings IOEJ

1000 From General Revenue Fund	10,058,640	9,708,640
CA -350,000 FSI1NR -350,000		

776 CORRECTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF
Program: Education And Programs
Adult Offender Transition, Rehabilitation
And Support 70450300

In Section 04 On Page 165
Special Categories 100777
Contracted Services IOEA



1000 From General Revenue Fund
CA 350,000 FSI1NR 350,000

11,067,781 11,417,781

Following Specific Appropriation 776, DELETE:

From the funds in Specific Appropriation 776, \$8,225,000 in recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided for Operation New Hope's re-entry initiatives, as authorized in section 944.7071, Florida Statutes. Through its pre-release program (Ready4Release), Operation New Hope will provide pre-release case management, transition planning, career development, and referrals for incarcerated inmates at any Department of Corrections' facility that is within 12 months of release. Through its post-release program (Ready4Work), Operation New Hope will provide post-release services including case management, career development, life skills training, job skills training, family reunification, financial assistance, and job placement assistance to ex-offenders on community supervision, or ex-offenders that have served time at a Department of Corrections' facility, or participants of any State Attorney's Office Diversion or Pretrial Intervention Programs, or adult ex-offenders who served time in a Department of Juvenile Justice facility. The Ready4Work program may provide post-release services to any ex-offender that is within travel distance to a service location. Through its virtual post-release program (Ready4Success), Operation New Hope will provide services to ex-offenders using a virtual (telecommunications, email, online software and video conferencing) platform for ex-offenders not able to attend in-person training. Funds used for the administrative services will be 18 percent of the total funds appropriated. Funds may be used for startup activities for opening of new Ready4Work locations in Florida but may not exceed 25 percent of the total funds appropriated.

AND INSERT:

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Line item amendments are accepted as part of the amendatory process. However, due to the necessity of using computerized systems this may entail a different placement within a budget entity or the renumbering of the specific appropriation items.