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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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HARRISBURG

October 13, 1993

The Honorable Allan Egolf
164A East Wing, Main Capitol
Harrisburg, PA 17120

RE: Fiscal Note
HB 1662, PN 1931
Amendment #A4086

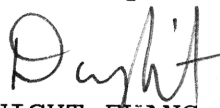
Dear Allan:

Your amendment requires full Commonwealth reimbursement to property owners for lost or damaged property. Reimbursement would be required in cases where property loss or damage was caused by an escapee from any type of youth development center.

While it is assumed that at some point in the future the Commonwealth could be required to provide reimbursement, there is no method to predict what expenditures will be incurred.

In order to comply with the rules of the House, you should provide a copy of this fiscal note to the Amendment Clerk for distribution to the members prior to offering your amendment. This committee is not responsible for circulating the note because the decision to offer the amendment or not lies with you as sponsor.

Sincerely,


DWIGHT EVANS

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Youth Development Center in my district at Louisville
Administered by Dept of Public Welfare.

Youths 12-18 yr old are adjudicated by courts and placed
at the YDC.

- crimes vary from burglary to drug & alcohol re-
lated and sex offenses.

- YDC also has a Secure Treatment Unit for more
serious and older offenders.

July 3, three juveniles escaped and went on a
vandalism spree that extensively damaged vehicles
and a neighborhood home.

- attempted to steal 9 different vehicles
caused extensive damage to each.

- stole \$500 worth of property from two

- burglarized a home, stealing money, two rifles,
a shotgun, shot up the house, TV, windows,
pictures, etc.

Happened many times before, but not quite as serious

- local car dealer stopped counting after 30
cars stolen

- windows smashed, steering columns broken,

- has \$500 deductible per vehicle

- motor home stolen, taken to Pittsburgh, damaged

- mail truck stolen damaged

- pickup truck abandoned along Turnpike near
Pittsburgh - steering column destroyed, items
stolen

By law
No compensation allowed from state for damages
- If ~~state~~ victim has no insurance, or deductible that's tough.

My amendment would require state to compensate

property owners.

- If state decides that juvenile offenders should

be put in communities in an open facility

ie, it's in the best interest of the state ~~the~~

to put citizens at risk, then the state should

pay for damages caused by the states words.

DAILY SESSION SUMMARY

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February 2, 1994

Two House resolutions dominated the debate today.

Rep. Cessar offered HR 243, which would direct the Governor to officially withdraw the state from the Northeast Ozone Transport Commission. The measure was adopted by a vote of 169-28 after a lengthy debate.

HR 242, which would set up a select committee to study the use of certain semi-automatic weapons, was introduced by Rep. Ryan. The resolution was debated for some time, but was recommitted to the Appropriations Committee for a fiscal note before a vote on adoption could be recorded. It was understood that the resolution would be re-reported on Monday as committed.

HB 2147, which further provides for building permit fees, was approved and sent to the Senate for approval, as was HB 619, which amends the Board of Vehicles Act. The House concurred in amendments to HB 906, which provides for timely payments to certain contractors. SB 1384, which provides for damages for the conversion of timber, was approved without amendments.

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