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House Bill 4045 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
Sponsor: Representative Kara Hope
House Committee: Judiciary
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CONTENT

The bill would amend Chapter XVI of the Code of Criminal Procedure to delete the cap on the amount of a reward that a county can offer for the 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 delete the cap on the amount of the reward.

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.

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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