

HB 1679 -- TELEPHONES IN CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES

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This bill requires correctional centers and jails to provide inmates with reasonable access to phone services during an inmate's term of confinement.

The bill prohibits institutions that house inmates from charging a total amount for a domestic phone call that exceeds the equivalent of the following rates:

For a correctional center, \$0.12 per minute;

For a jail with an average daily population of 1,000 or more inmates, \$0.14 per minute;

For a jail with an average daily population of fewer than 1,000 inmates, \$0.21 per minute.

This bill is similar to HB 693 2023.