

REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE  
Pursuant to P.A. 114 of 2009  
Section 304  
Employee Cost Saving Suggestion - April

Section 304 - The director of the department shall develop a staff savings initiative program to invite employees to submit suggestions for savings costs for the department. The department shall report quarterly to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on corrections, the senate and house fiscal agencies, and the state budget director on the suggestions submitted under this section, the implementation plan for those suggestions with which the department agrees, and an explanation of any disagreements with suggestions.

In order to comply with the requirement of Section 304, the Department of Corrections published an article in the February 4, 2010 FYI Employee Newsletter informing staff to submit their suggestions for cost saving suggestions. The below is suggestions received to date:

<b>SUGGESTION</b>	<b>IMPLEMENTATION PLAN</b>	<b>REASON FOR NOT IMPLEMENTED</b>
Attach outstanding parole supervision fees to returned offender's account.		Collections for state owed debts and court fees are entered on TAPS and money owed is deducted prior to the prisoner receiving their fund regardless of receipt source.
Utilize "extras" at other Ionia Facilities when available to supervise offenders in hospital rather than IBC paying overtime.		Union contract prohibits this practice. CFA will raise during future contract negotiations.
Negotiate state receipt of a portion of Jpay monies and telephone fees.		A service fee is not imposed but could be later if statutory withholdings warrant a service fee.