OVERVIEW: Sec. 9.10 of S.L. 2018-5 requires the State Board of Community Colleges (SBCC) to study the cost of earning regular budget full-time equivalents (FTE) for community college courses offered in local jails, including projections for future fiscal years with potential expansion of correction education programs. Additionally, the study must include the cost of reporting FTE student hours for correction education programs on the basis of student membership hours instead of contact hours for courses offered in (i) State prisons and (ii) in local jails, if the General Assembly were to authorize FTE to be earned for those courses.

By December 1, 2018, the SBCC must report on the study to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee, the House Appropriations Committee on Education, the Senate Appropriations Committee on Education/Higher Education, the Fiscal Research Division, and the Office of State Budget and Management.

This section became effective July 1, 2018.