

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SB 6004

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Authorizing joint agreements between cities and counties for criminal justice purposes.

**Sponsors:** Senators Sellar and Oke.

**Senate Committee on Government Operations**

**House Committee on Government Operations**

**Background:** The legislative authority of any county may impose a one-tenth of 1 percent sales and use tax (subject to referendum) to be used exclusively for criminal justice purposes. Criminal justice purposes is defined, in part, as activities that substantially assist the criminal justice system. The moneys received from this tax may not be used to replace or supplant existing funding. When distributing these revenues, the State Treasurer distributes 10 percent to the county in which the tax was collected, and the remainder is distributed to the county and the cities within the county ratably based on population.

A question has arisen as to whether a county and the cities within the county may jointly expend these funds, pursuant to an interlocal agreement, to operate a juvenile detention facility.

**Summary:** Cities and counties, or any combination thereof, are expressly authorized for criminal justice purposes to participate in interlocal agreements for the expenditure of funds received from the criminal justice sales and use tax. Criminal justice purposes include, but are not limited to, the construction, improvement, and expansion of jails, court facilities, and juvenile justice facilities.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	47	1	
House	96	1	(House amended)
Senate			(Senate refused to concur)
House	93	0	(House receded)

**Effective:** July 23, 1995