

IMMIGRATION DETENTION: TAXPAYERS BEWARE!

UNDER THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FY 2019 PROPOSAL:



**+3,480
ADDITIONAL
BEDS**

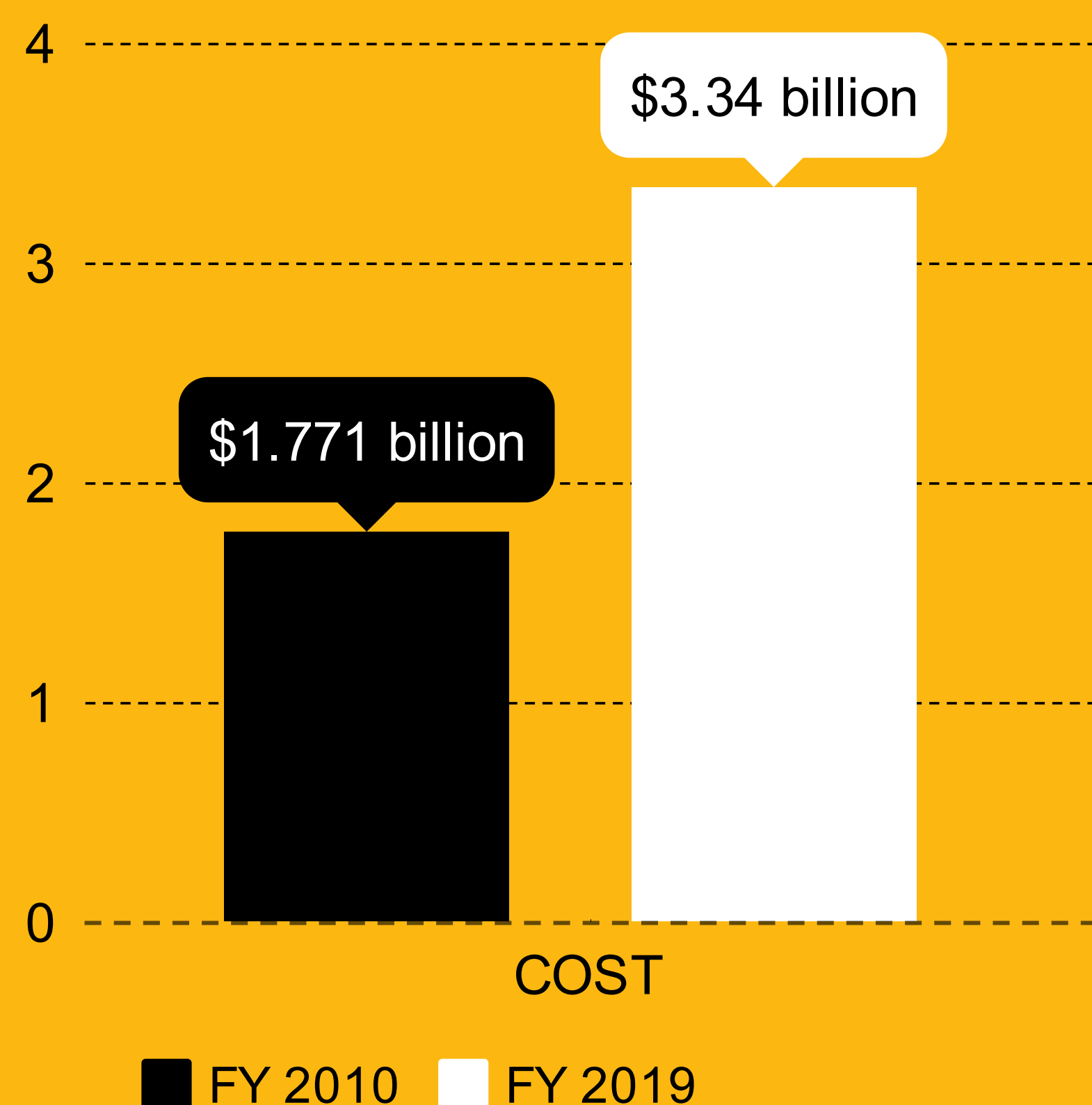
Highest-ever
detention bed
quota – an increase
from **40,520**
average daily
detention beds to
44,000 ¹

Taxpayers would pay almost twice
as much in detention costs than in
FY 2010 ³



**\$3.34
BILLION**

The increased bed
quota would cost
taxpayers more
money, resulting in
\$3.34 billion spent
on daily detention
costs ²



ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION (ATD) PROGRAMS ARE EFFECTIVE AND SAVE TAXPAYERS MONEY

How much do ATDs cost per day?

**APPROXIMATELY \$6.00
PER PERSON/PER DAY**



How much could we save?

**MORE THAN A BILLION
DOLLARS A YEAR BY
SHIFTING 1/3 OF THE
PROPOSED 44,000
DETENTION BEDS TO ATDs** ⁴

SOURCES:

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