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Supervisors' review

Statute would require jail inmates to pay

SANTA CRUZ — Convicted criminals could be required to pay for their stays in jail under an ordinance that will be considered by county supervisors Tuesday.

The meeting begins at 9 a.m. in Room 525 of the County Center with the ordinance scheduled as the third item in the morning.

Under Assembly Bill 3533, courts may charge criminals for their stays in jail as long as the county Board of Supervisors has passed an ordinance.

It would be left up to the courts to decide whether criminals are financially able to pay. The proposed ordinance states that the average daily cost for this fiscal year is \$46.50 for the Front Street jail and the Water Street jail and \$20 for the rehabilitation facility in Watsonville.

Other items on the board's regular agenda include a report by County Administrative Officer George Newell on the state of emergency and

consideration of creating the Santa Cruz County Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health Board as mandated by Assembly Bill 1838. The board would replace the Child Health Advisory Board.

On the board's consent agenda, supervisors will consider final adoption of an ordinance requiring residences of four or more units to be fitted with energy conservation devices upon sale.

They also will consider implementing the 1983 Live Oak parking program and will consider a recommendation by Supervisor Gary Patton on the prohibition of the use of asbestos in manufacturing facilities to be located in this county.

Patton is suggesting his proposed ordinance be referred to the environmental coordinator and then to the Planning Commission.

Items on the consent agenda re-

quire no board discussion.