

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

House Bill No. 775 by Representative Simon

PUBLIC SFTY/CORRECT DEPT: Provides with respect to a GED program for incarcerated offenders

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Clarified that a GED program shall be provided for inmates incarcerated in any state correctional facility and provided a definition for "state correctional facility".

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law (R.S. 15:827) imposes a duty upon the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to establish programs, conduct research, and provide assistance to and treatment for incarcerated persons in state correctional facilities.

Proposed law retains present law and requires DPS&C to establish a program to prepare offenders to take and pass the GED test.

Proposed law provides that this program shall be available to offenders who have not previously graduated from high school, or passed the GED test, and who have the ability to do so.

Proposed law defines "state correctional facility".

(Adds R.S. 15:827(A)(6))