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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides relative to solitary confinement.

Present law (R.S. 15:865) provides for a prohibition on the use of solitary confinement, except in certain circumstances.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law provides that any prisoner in a penal or correctional institution who is placed into solitary confinement shall be provided access to all educational materials he would otherwise have access to in the least restrictive housing available at the institution.

Proposed law provides that the supervisor with the highest level of authority who is present at the institution shall provide such educational materials to the prisoner within 24 hours of placement in solitary confinement, regardless of the actions of the prisoner, including but not limited to the failure to request such materials.

Proposed law defines the terms "educational materials" and "solitary confinement".

(Adds R.S. 15:865(D) and (E))