

2020 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 327

BY SENATOR BARROW

PUBLIC SFTY/CORRECT DEPT. Provides for certain records and transcripts to be provided to the inmate upon release from incarceration. (8/1/20)

1 AN ACT  
2 To enact R.S. 15:571.23, relative to probation, parole, or completion of sentence; to provide  
3 for certain records and transcripts to be provided to the inmate; to provide for terms  
4 and conditions; to provide for retention of records; and to provide for related matters.  
5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:  
6 Section 1. R.S. 15:571.23 is hereby enacted to read as follows:  
7 **§571.23. Record provided to inmate upon release**  
8 **A. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, upon release of**  
9 **an inmate due to completion of sentence, probation, or parole, the inmate shall**  
10 **be provided with a record of the following during his incarceration: good time**  
11 **earned, work history, courses taken by him inclusive of grades earned, and**  
12 **programs and certifications completed. The record shall include any official**  
13 **educational or vo-tech transcripts of courses by the inmate during**  
14 **incarceration.**  
15 **B. The department shall verify the authenticity of the record provided**  
16 **to the inmate.**  
17 **C. The department shall maintain a copy of the record provided to the**

1            **inmate for a period of not less than five years. During such time, the inmate**  
2            **may obtain an additional copy of the record and may authorize the department**  
3            **to provide a copy of the record to a specified third party.**

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Margaret M. Corley.

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Proposed law that upon release of an inmate due to completion of sentence, probation, or parole, the inmate shall be provided with a record of the following during his incarceration: good time earned, work history, courses taken by him, inclusive of grades earned, and programs and certifications completed. Also provides that the record shall include any official educational or vo-tech transcripts.

Proposed law that the La. Dept. of Corrections (department) shall verify the authenticity of the record provided to the inmate.

Proposed law that the department shall maintain a copy of the record provided to the inmate for a period of not less than five years. During such time, the inmate may obtain an additional copy of the record and may authorize the department to provide a copy of the record to a specified third party.

Effective August 1, 2020.

(Adds R.S. 15:571.23)