

2026 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 498

BY SENATOR JACKSON-ANDREWS

CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES. Requires the Department of Public Safety and Corrections to provide state inmates housed in local facilities with the same clothing and healthcare they would be provided at a state facility. (8/1/26)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 15:824(E), relative to commitment of persons to the Department of Public  
3 Safety and Corrections; to provide for cases in which the person is confined in a  
4 parish jail; to provide for clothing and healthcare products; and to provide for related  
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 15:824(E) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §824. Commitment of persons to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections

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10 **E. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, for any**  
11 **individual subject to confinement in a state adult penal or correctional**  
12 **institution that is confined to a parish jail or institution, the department shall**  
13 **provide all clothing and healthcare products that the individual would**  
14 **otherwise receive at a state adult penal or correctional institution.**

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## DIGEST

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Present law authorizes the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections (DPS&C) to assign prisoners under its custody to parish jails.

Proposed law retains present law and requires that DPS&C provide all clothing and healthcare products that the individual would otherwise receive at a state adult penal or correctional institution.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Adds R.S. 15:824(E))