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<u>Prior law</u> provided relative to early release of certain offenders on the basis of "good time" and parole, including the criteria for earning "good time", eligibility for parole, and exceptions to <u>prior law</u> for offenders convicted of crimes of violence and sex offenses under certain circumstances. New law retains prior law.

<u>New law</u> provides that no later than August first of each year, the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections is to submit an annual report to the legislature relative to offenders released from custody during the preceding fiscal year pursuant to the provisions of <u>prior law</u> relative to "good time". Further provides that this report must include the following information:

- (1) The name and offender number of the released offender.
- (2) The date on which the offender was released.
- (3) The offense for which the offender was incarcerated at the time of his release, including whether the offense was a crime of violence or a sex offense as defined in prior law.
- (4) A grid which shows the earliest date on which the offender would have been eligible for release notwithstanding the provisions of Acts 2017, No. Act 280, §3.
- (5) Whether the offender obtained a GED certification or completed a literacy program, an adult basic education program, or a job skills training program before being released from custody.
- (6) Any information relative to juvenile offenders that is exempt from release pursuant to a public records request or otherwise considered confidential by <u>prior law</u> is to be redacted from the report provided for by <u>new law</u>.

<u>New law</u> provides that on or before August 1, 2018, and no later than August first of each year following, the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections is to submit an annual report to the legislature relative to offenders released from custody during the preceding year on parole pursuant to the provisions of <u>prior law</u>. Further provides that this report must include the following information:

- (1) The name and offender number of the paroled offender.
- (2) The date on which the offender was released from custody on parole.
- (3) The offense for which the offender was incarcerated at the time of his release, including whether the offense was a crime of violence or a sex offense as defined in prior law.
- (4) A grid which shows the earliest date on which the offender would have been eligible for parole notwithstanding the provisions of Acts 2017, No. 280, §3.
- (5) Whether the offender obtained a GED certification or completed a literacy program, an adult basic education program, or a job skills training program before being paroled.
- (6) Any information relative to juvenile offenders that is exempt from release pursuant to a public records request or otherwise considered confidential by <u>prior law</u> is to be redacted from the report provided for by <u>new law</u>.

Effective upon signature of the governor (June 1, 2018).

(Adds R.S. 15:571.3(F) and 574.4(I))