

Bill No. CS for CS for SB 912

Amendment No.      Barcode 474252

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Senator Villalobos moved the following amendment:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

On page 20, between lines 18 and 19,

insert:

Section 8. Section 944.7031, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

944.7031 Eligible inmates released from private correctional facilities.--

(1) It is the intent of the Legislature that state inmates nearing release from a private correctional facility managed under chapter 957 are eligible for assistance under ss. 944.701-944.708, and all laws that provide for or mandate transition-assistance services to inmates nearing release also apply to inmates who reside in private correctional facilities.

(2) To assist an inmate nearing release from a private correctional facility, the department and the transition-assistance specialist shall coordinate with a designated staff person at each private correctional facility

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1 to ensure that a state inmate released from the private  
2 correctional facility is informed of and provided with the  
3 same level of transition-assistance services that are provided  
4 by the department for an inmate in a state correctional  
5 facility. Any inmate released from a private correctional  
6 facility shall also have equal access to placement  
7 consideration in a contracted substance-abuse-transition  
8 housing program, including those programs that have a  
9 faith-based component.

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11 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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15 And the title is amended as follows:

16 On page 2, line 5, after the semicolon,

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18 insert:

19 creating s. 944.7031, F.S.; providing for  
20 inmates released from private correctional  
21 facilities to be eligible for the same  
22 transition-assistance services that are  
23 provided to inmates in state correctional  
24 facilities; requiring that such inmates be  
25 given access to placement consideration in  
26 substance-abuse-transition housing programs,  
27 including programs that have a faith-based  
28 component;

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