

By Senator Lawson

6-1065-07

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to inmate death notification;
3 amending s. 944.09, F.S.; requiring the
4 Department of Corrections to adopt procedures
5 for providing notice of the death of an inmate
6 in the state correctional system; prescribing
7 written information to be provided to the
8 person designated by the inmate to receive
9 notice of the inmate's death; providing an
10 effective date.

11
12 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

13
14 Section 1. Paragraph (s) is added to subsection (1) of
15 section 944.09, Florida Statutes, to read:

16 944.09 Rules of the department; offenders,
17 probationers, and parolees.--

18 (1) The department has authority to adopt rules
19 pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement its
20 statutory authority. The rules must include rules relating to:

21 (s) Notice of the death of an inmate. The rules must
22 require the correctional facility in which an inmate died to:

23 1. Notify the person designated by the inmate to
24 receive notice of the inmate's death; and

25 2. Provide, in writing, to the person designated by
26 the inmate to receive notice of the inmate's death information
27 that will assist the facility in contacting that person upon
28 the death of the inmate.

29 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.
30
31

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29
30
31

SENATE SUMMARY

Requires that the Department of Corrections adopt procedures for providing notice of the death of an inmate in the state correctional system to the person designated by the inmate to receive such notice.