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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Criminal Justice (Hays) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete lines 109 - 123
and insert:

(3) (a) The department shall screen offenders committed to the department for eligibility criteria to participate in the reentry program. In order to be eligible, an offender must be a nonviolent offender, must have served at least one-half of his or her original sentence, and must have been identified as having a need for substance abuse treatment. When selecting participants for the reentry program, the department shall



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13 consider the offender's criminal history and the possible
14 rehabilitative benefits that substance abuse treatment,
15 educational programming, vocational training, and other
16 rehabilitative programming might have on the offender.

17 (b) If an offender meets the eligibility criteria, is
18 selected by the department, and space is available in the
19 reentry program, the department shall request the sentencing
20 court to approve the offender's participation in the reentry
21 program.