

## HB 2105 -2 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### House Committee On Judiciary

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**Sub-Referral To:** Joint Committee On Ways and Means

**Meeting Dates:** 3/21, 4/13

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#### WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Creates Department of Corrections (DOC) Budget Oversight Commission to advise Governor and Director of DOC, and make recommendations for legislation, regarding management and implementation of biennial budget of DOC, including employee overtime and healthcare expenses. Requires commission to report to Legislative Assembly. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

#### ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Total number of overtime hours and cost
- Purpose of a Budget Oversight Commission
- Difficulty with recruitment
- Affect on employees and communities

#### EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-2 Increases membership of commission to 13. Increases term length for first appointed members. Changes effective date to July 1, 2017.

*REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued*

*FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued*

#### BACKGROUND:

House Bill 2105 creates the Department of Corrections (DOC) Budget Oversight Commission (commission). It specifies who is eligible to serve on the commission and terms of office for members. The purpose of the commission is to advise the Governor and the Director of DOC, and make recommendations for legislation, regarding management and implementation of the biennial budget for DOC, including employee overtime and healthcare expenses. It also allows the commission to create advisory and technical committees. Finally, HB 2105 requires the commission to submit a report each year describing the findings and recommendations of the commission to the Governor and Legislative Assembly.