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**Joint Committee on
Ways and Means**

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To: Ways and Means Full Committee

From: Public Safety Subcommittee

Re: HB 5029 Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision

Senator Winters: “HB 5029 is the budget bill for the Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision. This board is responsible for protecting the public and reducing the risk of repeat criminal behavior through its supervision decisions.

The recommended budget of \$9,209,630 General Fund and \$11,254 Other Funds – for a total budget of \$9,220,884 – is sufficient to cover the current operations of the Board, including continuation of three limited duration positions. These positions are needed to continue to work on reducing the backlog in assessments of registered sex offenders. A budget note directs the Board to identify ways to reduce the backlog and cost of these assessments and report back to the Legislature prior to the 2018 session. The Board’s key performance measures were approved as recommended.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends HB 5029 be amended by the –1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.”