

**SB 184 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Carrier:** Rep. Vial

**House Committee On Judiciary**

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**Action Date:** 04/25/17

**Action:** Do Pass.

**Vote:** 11-0-0-0

**Yeas:** 11 - Barker, Gorsek, Greenlick, Lininger, Olson, Post, Sanchez, Sprenger, Stark, Vial, Williamson

**Fiscal:** No fiscal impact

**Revenue:** Has minimal revenue impact

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Permits Department of Corrections (DOC) to establish program allowing inmates to manufacture handiworks that may be sold to the public. Removes provision requiring handiworks be sold only at DOC institutions.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Fees charged to inmate
- Profit received by inmate can be garnished or used for restitution

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Currently, the Superintendent of the Department of Corrections (DOC) has discretion to allow inmates to manufacture small articles of handiwork that may be sold to the public at a DOC institution. Senate Bill 184 modifies current law to permit DOC to establish a program for this purpose. SB 184 removes the requirement that handiworks may only be sold to the public at DOC institutions. Finally, SB 184 makes minor technical changes.