

HB 2250 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Prozanski

Senate Committee On Judiciary

Action Date: 04/27/17

Action: Do pass the A-Eng bill.

Vote: 5-0-0-0

Yeas: 5 - Dembrow, Linthicum, Manning Jr, Prozanski, Thatcher

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Removes provisions specifying deadline for proposed and revised inmate release plans. Directs Department of Corrections, in consultation with State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision, to establish by rule deadlines for proposed and revised release plans. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Complications caused by the current deadlines for inmate release plans
- Department of Corrections will be responsible for the rulemaking

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Corrections (DOC) is required to prepare a release plan for an inmate prior to the inmate's release from prison. Currently, DOC must submit the proposed release plan to the State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision (board) at least 75 days before the inmate's release. If the board does not approve the release plan, DOC must submit a revised release plan to the board 25 days before the inmate's release. House Bill 2250-A allows DOC, in consultation with the board, to establish by rule deadlines for proposed and revised release plans.