

Requested by Senator DEMBROW

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
SENATE BILL 241**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “parents” delete the rest of the  
2 line and insert a period.

3 Delete lines 3 through 16.

4 Delete lines 18 through 29 and delete pages 2 and 3 and insert:

5 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Corrections shall assign the**  
6 **implementation of a bill of rights of children of incarcerated parents**  
7 **to an existing public body.**

8 **“(2) The bill of rights of children of incarcerated parents imple-**  
9 **mented under this section must recognize that each child of an**  
10 **incarcerated parent has certain essential rights, including but not**  
11 **limited to the following:**

12 **“(a) To be protected from additional trauma at the time of parental**  
13 **arrest.**

14 **“(b) To be informed of the arrest in an age-appropriate manner.**

15 **“(c) To be heard and respected by decision makers when decisions**  
16 **are made about the child.**

17 **“(d) To be considered when decisions are made about the child’s**  
18 **parent.**

19 **“(e) To be cared for in the absence of the child’s parent in a way**  
20 **that prioritizes the child’s physical, mental and emotional needs.**

21 **“(f) To speak with, see and touch the incarcerated parent.**

1       **“(g) To be informed about local services and programs that can**  
2 **provide support to the child as the child deals with the parent’s in-**  
3 **carceration.**

4       **“(h) To not be judged, labeled or blamed for the parent’s incarcer-**  
5 **ation.**

6       **“(i) To have a lifelong relationship with the incarcerated parent.”.**

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