

**UPDATED SUMMARY
SENATE BILL 16-180**

Second Regular Session - Seventieth Colorado General Assembly

This summary applies to the reengrossed version of this bill as introduced in the second house. It does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. This summary reflects only the main points of the legislation.

The bill requires the department of corrections (department) to develop and implement a program for offenders who were sentenced to an adult prison for a felony offense committed while the offender was less than 18 years of age and who are determined to be appropriate for placement in the program. An offender serving a sentence for a felony committed while the offender was a juvenile may apply for placement in the program if he or she has served 20 calendar years of his or her sentence, ~~and~~ has not been released on parole, *and has satisfied several other eligibility criteria.*

Upon receiving a petition from an eligible offender, the executive director of the department or his or her designee shall review the petition. In determining whether to place an offender in the program, the executive director or his or her designee shall consider certain criteria.

An offender who successfully completes the program may apply to the governor for early parole. The governor may grant early parole to such an offender if, in the governor's opinion, extraordinary mitigating circumstances exist and the offender's release from custody is compatible with the safety and welfare of society. The state board of parole shall make a recommendation to the governor concerning whether early parole should be granted to such an offender.

The bill makes an appropriation.

Italicized words indicate new material added to the original summary; dashes through words indicate deletions from the original summary.

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