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SENATE BILL 14-064

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A BILL FOR AN ACT CONCERNING RESTRICTING THE USE OF LONG-TERM ISOLATED CONFINEMENT FOR INMATES WITH SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AND REDUCING APPROPRIATIONS.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries.)

The bill requires the department of corrections to review the status of all offenders held in long-term isolated confinement within 90 days after the effective date of the bill. If the review determines that the offender is seriously mentally ill, the department shall move the offender from long-term isolated confinement to a mental health step-down unit, a prison mental hospital, or other appropriate housing that does not include long-term isolated confinement. The department may not place a seriously mentally ill offender in long-term isolated confinement and must do a mental health evaluation prior to placing an inmate in long-term isolated confinement prior to placement to determine whether the placement is allowed.

The bill dictates the type and manner that discipline is applied to seriously mentally ill inmates. The bill provides seriously mentally ill inmates with the opportunity for therapy and out-of-cell time.

1	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:
2	SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 17-1-113.8 as
3	<u>follows:</u>
4	17-1-113.8. Persons with serious mental illness - long-term
5	isolated confinement - work group. (1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT
6	PLACE A PERSON WITH SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS IN LONG-TERM ISOLATED
7	CONFINEMENT EXCEPT WHEN EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES ARE PRESENT.
8	(2) (a) There is hereby established within the department
9	A SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS IN LONG-TERM ISOLATED CONFINEMENT WORK
10	GROUP, REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS THE "WORK GROUP". THE WORK
11	GROUP CONSISTS OF:
12	(I) THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT, OR
13	HIS OR HER DESIGNEE, WHO SHALL CONVENE AND SERVE AS THE CHAIR OF
14	THE WORK GROUP;
15	(II) THE DIRECTOR OF CLINICAL AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES,
16	WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT, OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE;
17	(III) THE DIRECTOR OF PRISONS, WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT, OR HIS
18	OR HER DESIGNEE;
19	(IV) THE CHIEF OF PSYCHIATRY, WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT, OR HIS

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1	<u>OR HER DESIGNEE;</u>
2	(V) THE DIRECTOR OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, WITHIN THE
3	DEPARTMENT, OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE;
4	(VI) Two representatives from a nonprofit prisoners'
5	RIGHTS ADVOCACY GROUP, ONE WHO IS APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF
6	THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND ONE WHO IS APPOINTED BY THE
7	PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE; AND
8	(VII) TWO MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS INDEPENDENT FROM
9	THE DEPARTMENT WITH PARTICULAR KNOWLEDGE OF PRISONS AND
10	CONDITIONS OF CONFINEMENT, ONE WHO IS APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER
11	OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND ONE WHO IS APPOINTED BY THE
12	PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE.
13	(b) (I) The work group shall advise the department on
14	POLICIES AND PROCEDURES RELATED TO THE PROPER TREATMENT AND
15	CARE OF OFFENDERS WITH SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS IN LONG-TERM
16	ISOLATED CONFINEMENT, WITH A FOCUS ON PERSONS WITH SERIOUS
17	MENTAL ILLNESS IN LONG-TERM ISOLATED CONFINEMENT.
18	(II) THE WORK GROUP HAS THE POWER TO REQUEST, ON A PERIODIC
19	BASIS, INFORMATION AND DATA FROM THE DEPARTMENT ON THE STATUS
20	OF THE DEPARTMENT'S WORK ON THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE WORK
21	<u>GROUP.</u>
22	(c) THE CHAIR OF THE WORK GROUP SHALL CONVENE THE WORK
23	GROUP'S FIRST MEETING NO LATER THAN JULY 1, 2014, AND THE WORK
24	GROUP MUST MEET AT LEAST SEMI-ANNUALLY THEREAFTER. THE CHAIR
25	SHALL SCHEDULE AND CONVENE THE WORK GROUP'S MEETINGS.
26	(d) The chair shall provide the work group with
27	QUARTERLY UPDATES ON THE DEPARTMENT'S POLICIES RELATED TO THE

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1	WORK GROUP'S SUBJECT AREA.
2	SECTION 2. Appropriation. (1) For the implementation of this
3	act, the general fund appropriation made in the annual general
4	appropriation act to the controlled maintenance trust fund created in
5	section 24-75-302.5 (2) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, for the fiscal year
6	beginning July 1, 2014, is decreased by \$1,565,025.
7	(2) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby
8	appropriated, out of any moneys in the general fund not otherwise
9	appropriated, to the department of corrections, for the fiscal year
10	beginning July 1, 2014, the sum of \$1,565,025 and 24.0 FTE, or so much
11	thereof as may be necessary, to be allocated for the implementation of this
12	act as follows:
13	(a) \$144,142 for health, life, and dental to be allocated to the
14	executive director's office subprogram;
15	(b) \$2,439 for short term disability to be allocated to the executive
16	director's office subprogram;
17	(c) \$44,343 for amortization equalization disbursement to be
18	allocated to the executive director's office subprogram;
19	(d) \$41,572 for supplemental amortization equalization
20	disbursement to be allocated to the executive director's office
21	subprogram;
22	(e) \$600 for operating expenses to be allocated to the inspector
23	general subprogram;
24	(f) \$763,036 and 17.0 FTE for personal services to be allocated to
25	the housing and security subprogram;
26	(g) \$38,455 for start-up costs to be allocated to the superintendents
27	subprogram;

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1	(h) \$474,117 and 7.0 FTE for personal services to be allocated to
2	the mental health subprogram;
3	(i) \$12,000 for operating expenses to be allocated to the mental
4	<u>health subprogram;</u>
5	(j) \$32,921 for start-up costs to be allocated to the mental health
6	subprogram;
7	(k) \$10,800 for operating expenses to be allocated to the
8	communications subprogram; and
9	(1) \$600 for operating expenses to be allocated to the training
10	subprogram.
11	SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,
12	determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
13	preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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