

DOC Legislative Update-March 13th

Update on DOC request bills. . .

SB412-creates a single list of violent crimes in statute.
Authors=Senator Rick Brinkley, Representative Scott Biggs

- *SB412 was heard on the Senate floor and passed 40-0. It was assigned to the House Rules committee.*

SB116-relates to receiving offenders from county jails
Authors=Senator Don Barrington, Rep. Jon Echols

- *SB116 was heard on the Senate floor and passed 45-0. It has not been assigned to a House committee yet.*

SB54-allows employees with the Inspector General and Probation and Parole to keep their firearms when they retire.

Authors=Senator Kim David, Representative Sean Roberts

- *SB54 was heard on the Senate floor and passed 45-0. It was assigned to the House Public Safety committee.*

Capitol Updates-Week 6

- The deadline for hearing bills in their house of origin was today, March 12th
- Several bills that DOC was watching were passed and updates to those are below

Upcoming Deadlines

- **April 9th**-Deadline for reporting House bills out of the Senate committees and Senate bills out of the House committees

Legislation being monitored by DOC

DOC is actively monitoring all legislation being presented at the Capitol that could affect our agency. Below are a few of the bills we are watching. By listing these bills we are not stating our support or lack of support for any piece of legislation.

HB1879-requires death sentences to be carried out by nitrogen hypoxia if lethal injection is held unconstitutional.

Authors: Representative Mike Christian and Senator Anthony Sykes

- *Passed the House floor on March 3rd with a vote of 85-10*

HB1337-requires public bodies to report the number persons with disabilities that they employ
Author: Representative James Lockhart

- *Failed to receive a hearing on the House floor. This bill is inactive until the 2016 legislative session.*

HB1046-allows reduction of fees for certain offenses under certain circumstances

Authors: Representative Scott Biggs and Senator Anthony Sykes

- *Passed the House floor, has been assigned to the Senate Judiciary committee*

HB1047-makes aggravated child pornography an 85% crime

Authors: Representative Scott Biggs and Senator Kim David

- *Passed the House floor, has been assigned to the Senate Public Safety committee*

HB1687-changes how we administer high school equivalency tests

Authors: Representative Lee Denney and Senator Jim Halligan

- *Passed the House floor, has been assigned to the Senate Education committee*

HB1518-gives judges the ability to go outside minimum sentences and send an offender to alternative programs

Author: Representative Pam Peterson and Senator Wayne Shaw

- *Passed the House floor on March 11th with a vote of 76-16.*

SB38-allows for offenders with no reasonable risk to be considered for medical parole

Authors: Senator Wayne Shaw and Representative Pam Peterson

- *Passed Senate floor on 2/25 with a vote of 47-0. It has been assigned to the House Criminal Justice and Corrections committee.*

SB578-allows terminally ill offenders to be paroled to private nursing homes

Author: Wayne Shaw and Representative Doug Cox

- *Passed Senate floor on March 11th with a vote of 35-7.*

SB55-makes reaching for a police officer's firearm a felony

Author: Senator Kim David and Representative Lisa Billy

- *Passed the Senate floor on March 25th with a vote of 45-0. It has been assigned to the House Criminal Justice and Corrections.*

SB97-prohibits a correctional facility from being within city limits without approval from the city

Author: Senator Jack Fry and Representative Charlie Joyner

- *Passed the Senate floor on March 12th with a vote of 43-0.*

SB525-Allows DOC employees, with a license to carry a firearm, to have their firearms in their vehicles if they notify the facility and show that they have an approved lock box

Author: Senator Ralph Shortey

- *Passed the Senate floor on March 11th with a vote of 41-0.*

SB764-Community sentencing planning council

Author: Senator Anthony Sykes and Representative Randy Grau

- *Passed Senate floor on March 10th with a vote of 45-0.*

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