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## NO FELONS AS PRISON GUARDS

House Bill 4398

Sponsor: Rep. Sandra Hill

Committee: Judiciary and Civil Rights

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### A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4398 AS INTRODUCED 2-14-95

The bill would amend the Department of Corrections act (Public Act 232 of 1953) to generally forbid someone with a recent felony conviction from being employed by the Department of Corrections. With certain exceptions, as of the bill's effective date an individual with a felony record or facing felony charges could not be employed by the department. The director could waive this prohibition, however, for a former felon who met both of the following requirements: the individual was not subject to any pending felony charges; the date of release from departmental jurisdiction was at least five years before the date the individual applied for departmental employment; and, an extensive departmental investigation of the individual's background was conducted and the director determined that departmental employment for the person was appropriate. A written report would have to be made of each such investigation resulting in a determination that employment was appropriate.

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