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Senate Bill 827 (Substitute S-1 as reported) Sponsor: Senator William Van Regenmorter

Committee: Judiciary

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Department of Corrections (DOC) law to give effect to provisions concerning prisoners subject to disciplinary time, as of May 1, 1998. The bill would delete language specifying that those provisions take effect on the effective date of Public Act 217 of 1994.

Public Act 217 amended the DOC law to deny good time and disciplinary credits (which reduce a prisoner's minimum sentence) to persons convicted of certain offenses. The Act was tie-barred to Public Act 218 of 1994, which amended the prison code to specify that a prisoner subject to disciplinary time under Public Act 217 is not eligible for good time or disciplinary time credits and must receive disciplinary time (which would increase a prisoner's minimum sentence) for major misconduct violations. The effective dates of Public Act 217 and 218 were delayed, however, until the enactment of sentencing guidelines after the Sentencing Commission submits and recommends guidelines.

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FISCAL IMPACT

Please see **FISCAL IMPACT** on Senate Bill 825 (S-1).

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