SENATE BILL No. 1009

May 16, 2018, Introduced by Senator GREGORY and referred to the Committee on Oversight.

A bill to amend 1953 PA 232, entitled "Corrections code of 1953,"

by amending sections 11a, 40, and 65c (MCL 791.211a, 791.240, and 791.265c), section 11a as amended by 1998 PA 204, section 40 as added by 2006 PA 487, and section 65c as amended by 1993 PA 34.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 11a. (1) The director of corrections may enter into
- 2 contracts on behalf of this state as the director considers
- 3 appropriate to implement the participation of this state in the
- 4 interstate corrections compact pursuant to UNDER article III of the
- 5 interstate corrections compact. The contracts may authorize
- confinement of prisoners in, or transfer of prisoners from,
- correctional facilities under the jurisdiction of the department.
- of corrections. A contract shall MUST not authorize the confinement

- 1 of a prisoner who is in the custody of the department in an
- 2 institution of a state other than a state that is a party to the
- 3 interstate corrections compact. When transferring prisoners to
- 4 institutions of other states under this section, the director shall
- 5 endeavor to ensure that the transfers do not disproportionately
- 6 affect groups of prisoners according to race, religion, color,
- 7 creed, or national origin.
- 8 (2) The director of corrections shall first determine, on the
- 9 basis of an inspection made by his or her direction, that an
- 10 institution of another state is a suitable place for confinement of
- 11 prisoners committed to his or her custody before entering into a
- 12 contract permitting that confinement, and shall, at least annually,
- 13 redetermine the suitability of that confinement. In determining the
- 14 suitability of an institution of another state, the director shall
- 15 determine that the institution maintains standards of care and
- 16 discipline not incompatible with those of this state and that all
- 17 inmates confined in that institution are treated equitably,
- 18 regardless of race, religion, color, creed, or national origin.
- 19 (3) In considering transfers of prisoners out-of-state
- 20 pursuant to UNDER the interstate corrections compact due to bed
- 21 space needs the department shall do all of the following:
- 22 (a) Consider first prisoners who volunteer to transfer as long
- 23 as they meet the eligibility criteria for such transfer.
- 24 (b) Provide law library materials including Michigan Compiled
- 25 Laws, Michigan state and federal cases, and U.S. sixth circuit
- 26 court United States Sixth Circuit Court cases.
- 27 (c) Not transfer a prisoner who has a significant medical or

- 1 mental health need.
- 2 (d) Use objective criteria in determining which prisoners to
- 3 transfer.
- 4 (4) Unless a prisoner consents in writing, a prisoner
- 5 transferred under the interstate corrections compact due to bed
- 6 space needs shall MUST not be confined in another state for more
- 7 than 1 year.
- 8 (5) A prisoner who is transferred to an institution of another
- 9 state under this section shall MUST receive all of the following
- 10 while in the receiving state:
- 11 (a) Mail services and access to the court.
- 12 (b) Visiting and telephone privileges.
- 13 (c) Occupational and vocational programs such as GED-ABE and
- 14 appropriate vocational programs for his or her level of custody.
- 15 (d) Programs such as substance abuse programs, sex offender
- 16 programs, and life skills development.
- 17 (e) Routine and emergency health care, dental care, and mental
- 18 health services.
- 19 (6) One year after April 13, 1994 and annually after that
- 20 date, the department shall report all of the following to the
- 21 senate and house committees responsible for legislation concerning
- 22 corrections and to the appropriations subcommittees on corrections:
- 23 ——— (a) The number of prisoners transferred to or from
- 24 correctional facilities in this state pursuant to the interstate
- 25 corrections compact.
- 26 (b) The cost to the state of the transfers described in
- 27 subdivision (a).

- 1 (c) The reasons for the transfers described in subdivision
- 2 (a).
- 3 Sec. 40. (1) If a prisoner serving a sentence for conviction
- 4 of a violent felony is placed on parole, both of the following
- 5 special provisions apply:
- 6 (a) The supervising parole agent shall make a home call within
- 7 the first 45 days after the prisoner is placed on parole.
- 8 (b) The supervising parole agent shall do a LEIN check not
- 9 less than quarterly for that parolee and not later than 1 month
- 10 before a parolee is discharged from parole.
- 11 (2) If a prisoner who has a history of substance abuse is
- 12 placed on parole and is assigned to intensive, maximum, or medium
- 13 parole supervision, the department shall require as a condition of
- 14 parole that the parolee submit to substance abuse testing at least
- 15 twice each month.
- 16 (3) Not later than April 1 of each year, the department shall
- 17 report to the legislature on the number of parolees who are
- 18 returned to state correctional facilities for a violation of parole
- 19 involving the use of alcohol or a controlled substance during the
- 20 preceding calendar year. The report shall specify the number of
- 21 parolees who are returned to a state correctional facility after 1
- 22 such violation, 2 such violations, 3 such violations, 4 such
- 23 violations, and 5 or more such violations.
- 24 (3) (4)—The department shall report to the legislature on a
- 25 quarterly basis both of the following:
- (a) The number of parolees who are absconders.
- 27 (b) The number of parolees who have been absconders for more

- 1 than 3 months.
- 2 (4) (5) As used in this section:
- 3 (a) "LEIN" means the law enforcement information network
- 4 regulated under the C.J.I.S. policy council act, 1974 PA 163, MCL
- **5** 28.211 to 28.215.
- 6 (b) "Substance abuse" means the taking of alcohol or other
- 7 drugs at dosages that place an individual's social, economic,
- 8 psychological, and physical welfare in potential hazard or to the
- 9 extent that an individual loses the power of self-control as a
- 10 result of the use of alcohol or drugs, or while habitually under
- 11 the influence of alcohol or drugs, endangers public health, morals,
- 12 safety, or welfare, or a combination thereof.
- 13 (c) "Violent felony" means that term as defined in section 36.
- Sec. 65c. (1) As used in this section, "work camp" means a
- 15 correctional facility that houses prisoners who are made available
- 16 for work as provided in subsection (3).
- 17 (2) The department may construct, maintain, and operate work
- 18 camps for the purpose of housing prisoners who are under its
- 19 jurisdiction.
- 20 (3) Prisoners assigned to work camps may be provided an
- 21 opportunity to do any of the following, as long as the department
- 22 has reasonable cause to believe the prisoner will honor the trust
- 23 placed in him or her by such an assignment:
- 24 (a) Perform meaningful work at paid employment in the
- 25 community.
- 26 (b) Provide labor on public works projects.
- (c) Perform meaningful work on projects that serve the public

- 1 interest or a charitable purpose and are operated by organizations
- 2 that are exempt from taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the
- 3 internal revenue code. Work performed by prisoners pursuant to
- 4 UNDER this subdivision shall MUST not result in a competitive
- 5 disadvantage to a for profit enterprise.
- 6 (4) Prisoners made available for work under subsection (3)(c)
- 7 shall MUST not be assigned to work on projects in a manner that
- 8 results in the displacement of employed persons in the community or
- 9 the replacement of workers on strike or locked out of work. If a
- 10 collective bargaining agreement is in effect at a place of
- 11 employment that is the site of a proposed work project under
- 12 subsection (3)(c), that bargaining unit must agree to the
- 13 assignment of prisoners at the place of employment before the
- 14 assignment is made.
- 15 (5) The warden at a correctional facility that makes prisoners
- 16 available for work under subsection (3)(c) shall appoint a 7-member
- 17 citizens advisory committee for the purpose of obtaining public
- 18 input on proposals for assigning prisoners to work on those
- 19 projects. The committee shall MUST include broad representation
- 20 from the community in which the proposed work project is to be
- 21 located, including representatives of business, community service,
- 22 and religious organizations and the president of the local AFL-CIO
- 23 central labor council, or his or her designee. Before prisoners are
- 24 assigned to a proposed work project, the proposed assignment shall
- 25 MUST be reviewed by the citizens advisory committee.
- 26 (6) The department annually shall submit to the house and
- 27 senate appropriations subcommittees on corrections a report on work

- 1 projects in which prisoners are made available for work under
- 2 subsection (3)(c), including, but not limited to, the number of
- 3 work projects, the number of prisoners placed on each work project,
- 4 the type of work performed, and any problems raised by an advisory
- 5 committee with respect to the work project.
- 6 (6) (7)—The willful failure of a prisoner to report to or
- 7 return from an assignment to paid employment in the community or on
- 8 a public work project within the time prescribed, or to remain
- 9 within the prescribed limits of such an assignment, shall be IS
- 10 considered an escape from lawful custody as provided in section
- 11 193(3) of the Michigan penal code, Act No. 328 of the Public Acts
- of 1931, as amended, being section 750.193 of the Michigan Compiled
- 13 Haws. 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.193.
- 14 (7) (8) Prisoners employed at paid employment in the community
- 15 shall reimburse the department for food, clothing, and daily travel
- 16 expenses to and from work for days worked.
- 17 (8) (9) The wages of prisoners employed at paid employment in
- 18 the community shall MUST be collected by the work camp responsible
- 19 for the prisoner's care.
- 20 (9) (10)—A work camp collecting wages of a prisoner pursuant
- 21 to UNDER subsection (9) (8) shall disperse wages collected in the
- 22 following priority order:
- 23 (a) Reimbursement to the department pursuant to UNDER
- 24 subsection $\frac{(8)}{(7)}$.
- 25 (b) Support of the prisoner's dependents who are receiving
- 26 public assistance up to the maximum of the public assistance
- 27 benefit but not exceeding 50% of the prisoner's net earnings.

- 1 (c) For prisoners without dependents receiving public
- 2 assistance, 50% of the prisoner's net earnings shall MUST be
- 3 placed, at the prisoner's option, in either the prisoner's personal
- 4 noninstitutional savings account or in escrow by the department for
- 5 use by the prisoner upon release.
- 6 (d) The balance, if any, to the prisoner's institutional
- 7 account.
- 8 (10) (11) An employer who employs a prisoner pursuant to UNDER
- 9 this section for work to which Act No. 166 of the Public Acts of
- 10 1965, as amended, being sections—1965 PA 166, MCL 408.551 to
- 11 408.558, of the Michigan Compiled Laws, applies shall pay the
- 12 prisoner the prevailing wage as provided in that act.
- 13 (11) (12) An employer who employs a prisoner pursuant to UNDER
- 14 this section for work that is not under Act No. 166 of the Public
- 15 Acts of 1965, as amended, 1965 PA 166, MCL 408.551 TO 408.558,
- 16 shall pay the prisoner not less than the wage the employer pays to
- 17 other employees with similar skills and experience.
- 18 (12) (13) The department shall promulgate rules pursuant to
- 19 UNDER the Administrative—ADMINISTRATIVE procedures act of 1969, Act
- 20 No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended, being sections
- 21 24.201 to 24.328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, 1969 PA 306, MCL
- 22 24.201 TO 24.328, to establish criteria by which the department
- 23 shall determine eligibility for participation in the programs of
- 24 paid employment in the community established by this section.
- 25 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 26 after the date it is enacted into law.

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