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SYNOPSIS

Requires DOC to report certain information concerning halfway houses.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Community Development and Affairs Committee with technical review.



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1 AN ACT concerning residential community release programs and
2 supplementing chapter 4 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. a. The Commissioner of Corrections shall report quarterly
8 to the Senate President and the Speaker of the General Assembly in
9 accordance with section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1) on the
10 operation of each residential community release program in this
11 State.

12 b. The report required by subsection a. of this section shall
13 include, but not be limited to:

14 (1) the total reimbursement provided;

15 (2) the rate of reimbursement received for each inmate;

16 (3) the number of inmates for which reimbursement was
17 received;

18 (4) the number of inmates imprisoned for violent crimes and the
19 total number of days the inmate was imprisoned;

20 (5) the number of inmates imprisoned for non-violent crimes
21 and the total number of days the inmate was imprisoned;

22 (6) the total number of inmates imprisoned for violent crimes
23 who escaped or absconded and the total number of inmates
24 imprisoned for non-violent crimes who escaped or absconded;

25 (7) the actions taken to protect inmates imprisoned for non-
26 violent crimes from inmates imprisoned for violent crimes;

27 (8) the number of documented incidents involving physical
28 violence;

29 (9) the disciplinary actions taken against inmates accused of
30 violent activity; and

31 (10) the actions taken to prevent violent behavior from
32 occurring.

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34 2. In addition to the reports required by section 3 of
35 P.L.2009, c.329 (C.30:4-91.15), the Commissioner of Corrections
36 shall analyze the effectiveness of each residential community
37 release program in this State, with a particular emphasis on
38 recidivism rates for each program. The commissioner shall
39 annually report to the Senate President and the Speaker of the
40 General Assembly in accordance with section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164
41 (C.52:14-19.1) the results of this analysis and make
42 recommendations on how to improve recidivism rates in each
43 program.

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45 3. This act shall take effect immediately.