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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

55 ILCS 5/15003.11 new

730 ILCS 5/3-14-1

730 ILCS 125/19.7 new

from Ch. 38, par. 1003-14-1

Amends the County Department of Corrections Division of the Counties Code, the Unified Code of Corrections, and the County Jail Act. Provides that, upon the release of a prisoner or committed person from a county correctional institution, county jail, or Department of Corrections correctional institution or facility, the sheriff, warden, or Department shall provide the prisoner or committed person with an opioid antagonist if the prisoner was incarcerated for drug-related charges or was identified as having a substance abuse disorder.

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STATE MANDATES
ACT MAY REQUIRE
REIMBURSEMENT

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Counties Code is amended by adding Section
5 15003.11 as follows:

6 (55 ILCS 5/15003.11 new)

7 Sec. 15003.11. Release; opioid antagonist. Upon the
8 release of a prisoner from a correctional institution, the
9 sheriff shall provide the prisoner with an opioid antagonist
10 if the prisoner was incarcerated for drug-related charges or
11 was identified as having a substance abuse disorder.

12 Section 10. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by
13 changing Section 3-14-1 as follows:

14 (730 ILCS 5/3-14-1) (from Ch. 38, par. 1003-14-1)

15 Sec. 3-14-1. Release from the institution.

16 (a) Upon release of a person on parole, mandatory release,
17 final discharge, or pardon, the Department shall return all
18 property held for him, provide him with suitable clothing and
19 procure necessary transportation for him to his designated
20 place of residence and employment. It may provide such person
21 with a grant of money for travel and expenses which may be paid

1 in installments. The amount of the money grant shall be
2 determined by the Department.

3 (a-1) The Department shall, before a wrongfully imprisoned
4 person, as defined in Section 3-1-2 of this Code, is
5 discharged from the Department, provide him or her with any
6 documents necessary after discharge.

7 (a-2) The Department of Corrections may establish and
8 maintain, in any institution it administers, revolving funds
9 to be known as "Travel and Allowances Revolving Funds". These
10 revolving funds shall be used for advancing travel and expense
11 allowances to committed, paroled, and discharged prisoners.
12 The moneys paid into such revolving funds shall be from
13 appropriations to the Department for Committed, Paroled, and
14 Discharged Prisoners.

15 (a-3) Upon release of a person who is eligible to vote on
16 parole, mandatory release, final discharge, or pardon, the
17 Department shall provide the person with a form that informs
18 him or her that his or her voting rights have been restored and
19 a voter registration application. The Department shall have
20 available voter registration applications in the languages
21 provided by the Illinois State Board of Elections. The form
22 that informs the person that his or her rights have been
23 restored shall include the following information:

24 (1) All voting rights are restored upon release from
25 the Department's custody.

26 (2) A person who is eligible to vote must register in

1 order to be able to vote.

2 The Department of Corrections shall confirm that the
3 person received the voter registration application and has
4 been informed that his or her voting rights have been
5 restored.

6 (a-4) Prior to release of a person on parole, mandatory
7 supervised release, final discharge, or pardon, the Department
8 shall screen every person for Medicaid eligibility. Officials
9 of the correctional institution or facility where the
10 committed person is assigned shall assist an eligible person
11 to complete a Medicaid application to ensure that the person
12 begins receiving benefits as soon as possible after his or her
13 release. The application must include the eligible person's
14 address associated with his or her residence upon release from
15 the facility. If the residence is temporary, the eligible
16 person must notify the Department of Human Services of his or
17 her change in address upon transition to permanent housing.

18 (b) (Blank).

19 (c) Except as otherwise provided in this Code, the
20 Department shall establish procedures to provide written
21 notification of any release of any person who has been
22 convicted of a felony to the State's Attorney and sheriff of
23 the county from which the offender was committed, and the
24 State's Attorney and sheriff of the county into which the
25 offender is to be paroled or released. Except as otherwise
26 provided in this Code, the Department shall establish

1 procedures to provide written notification to the proper law
2 enforcement agency for any municipality of any release of any
3 person who has been convicted of a felony if the arrest of the
4 offender or the commission of the offense took place in the
5 municipality, if the offender is to be paroled or released
6 into the municipality, or if the offender resided in the
7 municipality at the time of the commission of the offense. If a
8 person convicted of a felony who is in the custody of the
9 Department of Corrections or on parole or mandatory supervised
10 release informs the Department that he or she has resided,
11 resides, or will reside at an address that is a housing
12 facility owned, managed, operated, or leased by a public
13 housing agency, the Department must send written notification
14 of that information to the public housing agency that owns,
15 manages, operates, or leases the housing facility. The written
16 notification shall, when possible, be given at least 14 days
17 before release of the person from custody, or as soon
18 thereafter as possible. The written notification shall be
19 provided electronically if the State's Attorney, sheriff,
20 proper law enforcement agency, or public housing agency has
21 provided the Department with an accurate and up to date email
22 address.

23 (c-1) (Blank).

24 (c-2) The Department shall establish procedures to provide
25 notice to the Illinois State Police of the release or
26 discharge of persons convicted of violations of the

1 Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act or a
2 violation of the Methamphetamine Precursor Control Act. The
3 Illinois State Police shall make this information available to
4 local, State, or federal law enforcement agencies upon
5 request.

6 (c-5) If a person on parole or mandatory supervised
7 release becomes a resident of a facility licensed or regulated
8 by the Department of Public Health, the Illinois Department of
9 Public Aid, or the Illinois Department of Human Services, the
10 Department of Corrections shall provide copies of the
11 following information to the appropriate licensing or
12 regulating Department and the licensed or regulated facility
13 where the person becomes a resident:

14 (1) The mittimus and any pre-sentence investigation
15 reports.

16 (2) The social evaluation prepared pursuant to Section
17 3-8-2.

18 (3) Any pre-release evaluation conducted pursuant to
19 subsection (j) of Section 3-6-2.

20 (4) Reports of disciplinary infractions and
21 dispositions.

22 (5) Any parole plan, including orders issued by the
23 Prisoner Review Board, and any violation reports and
24 dispositions.

25 (6) The name and contact information for the assigned
26 parole agent and parole supervisor.

1 This information shall be provided within 3 days of the
2 person becoming a resident of the facility.

3 (c-10) If a person on parole or mandatory supervised
4 release becomes a resident of a facility licensed or regulated
5 by the Department of Public Health, the Illinois Department of
6 Public Aid, or the Illinois Department of Human Services, the
7 Department of Corrections shall provide written notification
8 of such residence to the following:

9 (1) The Prisoner Review Board.

10 (2) The chief of police and sheriff in the
11 municipality and county in which the licensed facility is
12 located.

13 The notification shall be provided within 3 days of the
14 person becoming a resident of the facility.

15 (d) Upon the release of a committed person on parole,
16 mandatory supervised release, final discharge, or pardon, the
17 Department shall provide such person with information
18 concerning programs and services of the Illinois Department of
19 Public Health to ascertain whether such person has been
20 exposed to the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) or any
21 identified causative agent of Acquired Immunodeficiency
22 Syndrome (AIDS).

23 (d-5) Upon the release of a committed person from a
24 correctional institution or facility, the Department shall
25 provide the committed person with an opioid antagonist if the
26 committed person was incarcerated for drug-related charges or

1 was identified as having a substance abuse disorder.

2 (e) Upon the release of a committed person on parole,
3 mandatory supervised release, final discharge, pardon, or who
4 has been wrongfully imprisoned, the Department shall verify
5 the released person's full name, date of birth, and social
6 security number. If verification is made by the Department by
7 obtaining a certified copy of the released person's birth
8 certificate and the released person's social security card or
9 other documents authorized by the Secretary, the Department
10 shall provide the birth certificate and social security card
11 or other documents authorized by the Secretary to the released
12 person. If verification by the Department is done by means
13 other than obtaining a certified copy of the released person's
14 birth certificate and the released person's social security
15 card or other documents authorized by the Secretary, the
16 Department shall complete a verification form, prescribed by
17 the Secretary of State, and shall provide that verification
18 form to the released person.

19 (f) Forty-five days prior to the scheduled discharge of a
20 person committed to the custody of the Department of
21 Corrections, the Department shall give the person:

22 (1) who is otherwise uninsured an opportunity to apply
23 for health care coverage including medical assistance
24 under Article V of the Illinois Public Aid Code in
25 accordance with subsection (b) of Section 1-8.5 of the
26 Illinois Public Aid Code, and the Department of

1 Corrections shall provide assistance with completion of
2 the application for health care coverage including medical
3 assistance;

4 (2) information about obtaining a standard Illinois
5 Identification Card or a limited-term Illinois
6 Identification Card under Section 4 of the Illinois
7 Identification Card Act if the person has not been issued
8 an Illinois Identification Card under subsection (a-20) of
9 Section 4 of the Illinois Identification Card Act;

10 (3) information about voter registration and may
11 distribute information prepared by the State Board of
12 Elections. The Department of Corrections may enter into an
13 interagency contract with the State Board of Elections to
14 participate in the automatic voter registration program
15 and be a designated automatic voter registration agency
16 under Section 1A-16.2 of the Election Code;

17 (4) information about job listings upon discharge from
18 the correctional institution or facility;

19 (5) information about available housing upon discharge
20 from the correctional institution or facility;

21 (6) a directory of elected State officials and of
22 officials elected in the county and municipality, if any,
23 in which the committed person intends to reside upon
24 discharge from the correctional institution or facility;
25 and

26 (7) any other information that the Department of

1 Corrections deems necessary to provide the committed
2 person in order for the committed person to reenter the
3 community and avoid recidivism.

4 (g) Sixty days before the scheduled discharge of a person
5 committed to the custody of the Department or upon receipt of
6 the person's certified birth certificate and social security
7 card as set forth in subsection (d) of Section 3-8-1 of this
8 Act, whichever occurs later, the Department shall transmit an
9 application for an Identification Card to the Secretary of
10 State, in accordance with subsection (a-20) of Section 4 of
11 the Illinois Identification Card Act.

12 The Department may adopt rules to implement this Section.
13 (Source: P.A. 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; 102-558, eff. 8-20-21;
14 102-606, eff. 1-1-22; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22; 103-345, eff.
15 1-1-24.)

16 Section 15. The County Jail Act is amended by adding
17 Section 19.7 as follows:

18 (730 ILCS 125/19.7 new)

19 Sec. 19.7. Release; opioid antagonist. Upon the release of
20 a prisoner from a jail, the warden shall provide the prisoner
21 with an opioid antagonist if the prisoner was incarcerated for
22 drug-related charges or was identified as having a substance
23 abuse disorder.