

Human Services Committee

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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 2256

AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 2256 by replacing lines 15 through 26 on page 7 and lines 1 through 5 on page 8 with the following:

"(1) Prior to the release of any inmate, the Department must provide the inmate with the option of testing for infection with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), as well as counseling in connection with such testing, with no copayment for the test. At the same time, the Department shall require each such inmate to sign a form stating that the inmate has been informed of his or her rights with respect to the testing required to be offered under this subsection (1) and providing the inmate with an opportunity to indicate either that he or she wants to be tested or that he or she does not want to be tested. The Department, in consultation with the Department of Public Health, shall prescribe the contents of the form. The testing provided under this subsection (1) shall consist of an enzyme linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) test or any other

- 1 test approved by the Department of Public Health. If the test
- 2 result is positive, the Western Blot Assay or more reliable
- 3 confirmatory test shall be administered."; and
- 4 by replacing lines 25 and 26 on page 9 and lines 1 through 15 on
- 5 page 10 with the following:
- 6 "Department also must test offer the committed person the
- 7 option of being tested, with no copayment, for infection with
- 8 human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). The Department shall
- 9 require each committed person to sign a form stating that the
- 10 committed person has been informed of his or her rights with
- 11 respect to the testing required to be offered under this
- 12 subsection (d) and providing the committed person with an
- 13 opportunity to indicate either that he or she wants to be
- 14 tested or that he or she does not want to be tested. The
- 15 Department, in consultation with the Department of Public
- 16 Health, shall prescribe the contents of the form. The testing
- 17 provided under this subsection (d) shall consist of an
- 18 enzyme linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) test or any other
- 19 test approved by the Department of Public Health. If the test
- 20 result is positive, the Western Blot Assay or more reliable
- 21 confirmatory test shall be administered. Implementation of
- 22 this subsection (d) is subject to appropriation.".