



## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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HB5732

Introduced 2/16/2012, by Rep. Esther Golar

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

730 ILCS 5/3-6-8

Amends the Unified Code of Corrections. Requires the GED program that the Department of Corrections administers for inmates to provide for the acceptance of GED credits earned while the inmate is not in the custody of the Department, including, but not limited to, credits earned while incarcerated in a county jail.

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1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

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

4 Section 5. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by  
5 changing Section 3-6-8 as follows:

6 (730 ILCS 5/3-6-8)

7 Sec. 3-6-8. General Educational Development (GED)  
8 programs. The Department of Corrections shall develop and  
9 establish a program in the Adult Division designed to increase  
10 the number of committed persons enrolled in programs for the  
11 high school level Test of General Educational Development (GED)  
12 and pursuing GED certificates by at least 100% over the 4-year  
13 period following the effective date of this amendatory Act of  
14 the 94th General Assembly. The program shall provide for the  
15 acceptance of GED credits earned by the inmate while not in the  
16 custody of the Department, including, but not limited to,  
17 credits earned while incarcerated in a county jail. Pursuant to  
18 the program, each adult institution and facility shall report  
19 annually to the Director of Corrections on the number of  
20 committed persons enrolled in GED programs and those who pass  
21 the high school level Test of General Educational Development  
22 (GED), and the number of committed persons in the Adult  
23 Division who are on waiting lists for participation in the GED

1 programs.

2 (Source: P.A. 94-128, eff. 7-7-05; 94-744, eff. 5-8-06.)