

Subject Minnesota Rehabilitation and Reinvestment Act

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Overview

This bill establishes the Minnesota Rehabilitation and Reinvestment Act which is designed to reduce the length of incarceration for offenders who demonstrate their rehabilitation.

Summary

Section	Description
1	Rehabilitation programs. Specifies rehabilitation programming that the commissioner must provide inmates to include substance abuse treatment programs; sexual offender treatment programming; medical and mental health services; and vocational, employment and career, educational, and other rehabilitative programs.
2	Supervised release; inmates who commit crimes on or after August 1, 1993. Updates current law on supervised release terms to reflect the proposal to award earned incentive release credit.
3	Minnesota Rehabilitation and Reinvestment Act. Establishes sections 3 to 14 as the Minnesota Rehabilitation and Reinvestment Act ("the act").
4	Definitions. Defines terms used in the act.
5	Comprehensive assessment and individualized rehabilitation plan required. Subd. 1. Comprehensive assessment. Requires the commissioner to develop a comprehensive needs assessment for most inmates. Subd. 2. Individualized rehabilitation plan. Requires the commissioner to develop an individualized rehabilitation plan for inmates required to undergo an assessment under subdivision 1.

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	<p>Subd. 3. Victim input. Requires the commissioner to solicit and consider victim input when developing plans under subdivision 2.</p> <p>Subd. 4. Transition and release plan. Requires the commissioner to develop transition and release plans for inmates with less than 365 days of incarceration remaining on their sentence.</p>
6	<p>Earned incentive release credit.</p> <p>Requires the commissioner to develop a policy on earned incentive release credit in consultation with specified stakeholders.</p>
7	<p>Applying earned incentive release (EIR) credit.</p> <p>Subd. 1. Calculating earned incentive release credit. Establishes that EIR credits are subtracted from an offender's term of imprisonment and not added to the supervised release term. Establishes the maximum amount of EIR at 17 percent of the term of imprisonment except that the term of imprisonment may not be less than 50 percent of the executed sentence.</p> <p>Subd. 2. Scope of act. Establishes EIR as distinct from other legislatively authorized release programs.</p>
8	<p>Ineligibility for earned incentive release credit.</p> <p>Excludes certain offenders from participating in EIR.</p>
9	<p>Earned compliance credit and supervision abatement status.</p> <p>Subd. 1. Adopting policy for earned compliance credit; supervision abatement status. Mandates the commissioner to create a policy for earning compliance credits and forfeiture of the credit, requiring that once a combination of time served, EIR, and supervision term plus compliance credits equal the supervised release term, the person is placed on abatement status.</p> <p>Subd. 2. Violating conditions of release; commissioner action. Establishes the commissioner's disciplinary options when an offender on supervision abatement status violates the conditions of release.</p> <p>Subd. 3. Supervision abatement status; requirements. Provides when an offender is on supervision abatement status, the offender will not be required to report to a supervision agent or pay supervision fees, but must report any new criminal charges and seek written authorization to relocate to another state.</p> <p>Subd. 4. Applicability. Prohibits individuals serving life sentences, given indeterminate sentences for crimes committed on or before April 30, 1980, or</p>

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	subject to good time from earning compliance credit or being placed on supervision abatement status.
10	Victim input. Requires the commissioner to attempt to notify the victim of an offender's EIR eligibility and request victim input on the offender's EIR eligibility.
11	Victim notification. Declares that EIR participation does not absolve the commissioner of fulfilling any other statutory victim notification requirements.
12	Interstate compact. Authorizes individuals serving Minnesota sentences in other states under the Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision to be eligible for supervision abatement status.
13	Reallocating EIR savings. Subd. 1. Establishment of reallocation of revenue account. Establishes the reallocation revenue account. Subd. 2. Certifying EIR savings. Requires MMB to certify any savings from EIR in the prior fiscal year. Subd. 3. Savings to be transferred to the reallocation revenue account. Requires EIR savings to be transferred to the reallocation revenue account. Subd. 4. Distributing reallocation funds. Provides how the savings resulting from EIR (based on reduction in incarcerated days), shall be distributed.
14	Reporting required. Requires the commissioner to report annually to the legislature on the EIR program. Requires the commissioner to include feedback on the EIR program from victim coalitions in the annual report to the legislature. Requires the commissioner to conduct regular evaluations of EIR program and publish findings on the agency's website and in annual report to the legislature.
15	Effective date. Establishes August 1, 2023, as the effective date for this act.



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