



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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(As Introduced)

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BILL SUMMARY

- Requires the Director of Rehabilitation and Correction to adopt rules to establish programs in state correctional institutions to teach and promote entrepreneurship by prisoners and, upon the Director's request, requires the Chancellor of the Ohio Board of Regents to assist in the establishment of the programs.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Department of Rehabilitation and Correction programs to teach and promote entrepreneurship by prisoners

The bill requires the Director of Rehabilitation and Correction to adopt rules to establish programs in state correctional institutions to teach and promote entrepreneurship by prisoners. Upon the Director's request, the Chancellor of the Ohio Board of Regents must assist the Director in the establishment of the programs.¹

Background – related existing provisions

Several provisions of existing law, not in the bill, pertain to training, education, and other programs to be provided by the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction (DRC) to inmates. Among them are provisions that specify that: DRC must establish and operate a school system that is approved and chartered by the Department of Education; DRC generally must require each prisoner who has not obtained a high school diploma to take courses leading toward an Ohio certificate of high school equivalence, an Ohio high school diploma, or courses that provide vocational training;

¹ R.C. 5120.71.

and DRC must make provisions for the instruction in industrial pursuits and education of prisoners.²

HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	03-31-14

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² R.C. 5145.06(A) and (B) and R.C. 5145.03, not in the bill.

