

1 S.22

2 Introduced by Senator Sears

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Corrections; furlough; driving violations

6 Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to stipulate that an offender
7 incarcerated for a driving offense punishable by more than two years in prison
8 may be furloughed up to 180 days prior to completion of the minimum
9 sentence.

10 An act relating to furlough for an offender convicted of a driving offense
11 punishable by more than two years in prison

12 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

13 Sec. 1. 28 V.S.A. § 808(a)(8)(E) is amended to read:

14 (E) An offender incarcerated for ~~driving while under the influence of~~
15 ~~alcohol under subsections 1210(d) or (e)~~ a violation related to driving a motor
16 vehicle under Title 23 which is punishable by more than two years in prison
17 may be furloughed to the community up to 180 days prior to completion of the
18 minimum sentence at the commissioner's discretion and in accordance with
19 rules adopted pursuant to subdivision (C) of this subdivision (8), provided that
20 an offender sentenced to a minimum term of fewer than 270 days shall not be

1 eligible for furlough under this subdivision until the offender has served at
2 least 90 days of his or her minimum term of incarceration and provided that the
3 commissioner uses electronic equipment to continually monitor the offender's
4 location and blood alcohol level, or other equipment such as an alcohol
5 ignition interlock system, or both.