

1 S.291

2 Introduced by Senators Fox, Flory, and Sears

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Corrections; correctional facilities; transition units

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to establish  
7 transition units at each State correctional facility for offenders granted  
8 reintegration furloughs.

9 An act relating to the establishment of transition units at State correctional  
10 facilities

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

12 Sec. 1. TRANSITION UNITS AT STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES

13 (a) On or before November 1, 2014, the Department of Corrections shall  
14 develop and provide to the Joint Corrections Oversight Committee a proposal  
15 for programs and services available to offenders at each transition unit  
16 established under subsection (b) of this section. The proposal shall include a  
17 detailed budget for funding:

18 (1) costs associated with remodeling each State correctional facility to  
19 incorporate a transition unit; and

1           (2) transportation costs for transporting offenders to and from their place  
2 of employment.

3           (b) Of the amount appropriated to the Department of Corrections in the  
4 FY 2015 Capital Construction Act, sufficient funding shall be allocated to  
5 establish transition units at each State correctional facility to enable offenders  
6 granted furloughs pursuant to 28 V.S.A. § 808c to work in the community  
7 while residing in the facility.

8           Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

9           This act shall take effect on July 1, 2014.